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Dog Imports: Check Country Disease Status

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Rabies Alert

For all dogs imported into the United States, including U.S.-origin dogs returning to the United States:

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) is the primary government authority for dogs imported into the United States. Contact the CDC at 800-232-4636 or go to CDC-INFO for questions related to CDC's updated dog import requirements for dogs entering or returning to the United States. Pet owners and accredited veterinarians with questions on how to complete the CDC "Certification of U.S.-Issued Rabies Vaccination" form may refer to this resource or contact CDC.

For questions on how to access VEHCS, visit <u>Using the Veterinary Export Health</u> Certification System (VEHCS).

APHIS may also have specific requirements for dogs entering the United States. These requirements are different and separate from the CDC import requirements for dogs.

APHIS Veterinary Services, along with the CDC, has specific requirements for dogs traveling (imported) to the United States from countries affected by particular

diseases such as foot-and-mouth disease (FMD), screwworm, and rabies.

For dog(s) coming from...

- FMD-affected countries (not free), follow the <u>APHIS Veterinary Services import</u> requirements.
- Screwworm-affected countries (not free), follow the <u>APHIS Veterinary Services</u> import requirements.
- Rabies-affected countries (not free), review <u>CDC dog importation regulations</u>.

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