

Pets (dogs & cats) need a No Objection Certificate (NOC) document in addition to a valid health certificate. The exporter (pet owner) is responsible for obtaining the NOC from India, USDA APHIS is not involved and does not endorse the NOC.

All pets entering into India must be issued a NOC (NO OBJECTION CERTIFICATE) from the ANIMAL QUARANTINE AND CERTIFICATION STATION (AQCS) in India whether accompanied or manifest, prior to landing into India. People intending on arriving with their pets as accompanied luggage can have an agent apply for this certificate before they enter the country. The NOC can be applied for by mail, fax, or in-person.

The NOC document takes about 5 working days to obtain. Documents required prior to obtaining this document, are:

1. All vaccination records of the pet.
2. Government issued veterinary certificate from the exporting country USDA document.
3. Flight details / confirmation of the passenger's travel into India / Copy of the airway bill

Procedural Formalities:

1. No Objection Certificate (NOC) issued by the Quarantine Officer at the Animal Quarantine Station in India.
2. A duplicate copy of the NOC has to be fixed on the crate of the pet during the air travel.
3. Original copy of the NOC has to be produced in India to get the pet released from the customs at the Airport in India.
4. On arrival in India, an appointment with the Quarantine Officer for issue of a temporary Health Certificate on examination of the pet.
5. 30 days thereafter a certificate of health to be obtained from a local veterinarian to be produced at the Animal Quarantine Station. Then, the pet will be issued a permanent certificate of health for his/her stay in India.

Having an in-country representative is preferred to get an NOC from the Quarantine officer before arrival and per the Department of Animal Husbandry, Dairying & Fisheries (DADF) most of the applicants appoint some in-country representative who works for them. However, if the passenger does not have any contact in India then they can send the original documents via email. In such cases it is recommended to send a copy to DADF (Dr. Dutta, please see his contact details below) & a follow-up phone call is suggested to the specific quarantine station. The DADF stressed that such cases are dealt with on an exceptional basis.

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Below is a list of the Quarantine officers currently working at/near different ports:

Sl No.	Name of Unit	DDO Name	Complete Postal Address	Contact No. (Land Line)	Fax No.	E mail I.D	Contact Person
1	Animal Quarantine and Certification Service, New Delhi	Regional Officer, AQCS, New Delhi	Regional Officer, Animal Quarantine and Certification Service, Old Delhi Gurgaon Road, Kapashera, New Delhi - 110037	011-25063272	011-25060647	aqcsnr@yahoo.com aqcsnr-dadf@nic.in	Dr. Vijay Kumar, Regional Officer
2	Animal Quarantine and Certification Service, Mumbai	Quarantine Officer, AQCS, Mumbai	Quarantine Officer, Animal Quarantine and Certification Service, Sector - 11, Koper Khairane, New Mumbai - 400709	022-27552021 26828194 (Airport)	022-27552021	aqcs.mum-dadf@nic.in aqns_mumbai@yahoo.com	Dr. Tapan Kuma Sahu, Quarantine Officer
3	Animal Quarantine and Certification Service, Hyderabad	Quarantine Officer, AQCS, Hyderabad.	Quarantine Officer, Animal Quarantine and Certification Service, Cargo Satellite Building, Block - A, Mezannine Floor, Rajiv Gandhi International Airport, Shamshabad - 501218, Hyderabad.	8179648920	040-24008243	aqcs_hyd@yahoo.in	Dr. Sonia Sharma, Quarantine Officer
4	Animal Quarantine and Certification Service, Bangalore	Quarantine Officer, AQCS, Bangalore	Quarantine Officer, Animal Quarantine and Certification Service, Alpha - 3, Kempegowda International Airport, Bangalore - 560300	9916133405	080-22001355	jimlee.sharma@gmail.com	Dr. Jimlee Sharma, Quarantine Officer
5	Animal Quarantine and Certification Service, Chennai	Quarantine Officer (IC), AQCS, Chennai	Quarantine Officer (IC), Animal Quarantine and Certification Service, No. 115, Velachery Main Road, Village - Palikarani, Chennai - 600100	044-2460659	044-22463070	aqcs_sr@yahoo.com	Dr. Gunaskheran, (I&C)
6	Animal Quarantine and Certification Service, Kolkata	Regional Officer, AQCS, Kolkata	Regional Officer, Animal Quarantine and Certification Service, Village & Post - Narayanpur, Via - Rojarat Gopalpur, District - 24 Pargana (North), Kolkata.	033-25119418 (Airport), 033-25196777 (Narayanpur)	033-25119418	dipankarbiswas2001@yahoo.co.in	Dr. Dipankar Biswas, Regional Officer