

Guidance for dogs and cats traveling from other countries via the United States to Australia:

Non-approved countries:

- The pathway for pets moving from non-approved countries via an approved country to Australia is no longer available. Pets must spend at least 180 days in an approved country.

Canada:

- Pets may have part of their pre-export preparation done in Canada and the remainder done in the United States. The United States must be listed as the country of export on the import permit.
- The identity verification may be done in Canada. The Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA) endorsed identity declaration must be attached to the final export health certificate, but USDA is not expected to verify it.
- Blood may be drawn by an approved veterinarian in Canada and tested at an approved U.S. laboratory.
- If the RNATT is done in Canada, it will be tested at a U.S. laboratory. Will need a CFIA-endorsed RNATT declaration and a USDA-endorsed RNATT declaration (USDA completes this as the country of export, based on the information provided in the Canadian RNATT declaration).

Other approved countries:

- If part of pre-export preparation was done in another approved country, like the European Union for example, the exporter will need to contact Australia at imports@agriculture.gov.au for advice, as these will be handled on a case-by-case basis.