

# **Bringing Pets and Wildlife into the United States**

## *Licensing and Health Requirements*

Visitors frequently inquire about traveling with their pets to the United States. All such importations are subject to health, quarantine, agriculture, wildlife, and customs requirements and prohibitions. Pets, except for pet birds, taken out of the United States and returned are subject to the same requirements as those entering for the first time. Returning U.S. origin pet birds are subject to different import restrictions than pet birds of non-U.S. origin entering the United States. For more information on importing pet birds into the United States, see the section on Birds, or the U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) web site at [www.aphis.usda.gov/NCIE](http://www.aphis.usda.gov/NCIE).

Importation of cats and dogs is regulated by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). The CDC requires that dogs and cats be healthy upon arrival and that dogs are vaccinated against rabies, unless they are being imported from a rabies-free country. In addition to dogs and cats, CDC also restricts the importation of turtles with a shell length of less than 4 inches (linear measure). African rodents, bats, nonhuman primates, and civets may not be imported as pets under any circumstances.

Pets excluded from entry into the United States must be sent back to the country of origin. While awaiting disposition, pets will be detained at the owner's expense at the port of arrival. USDA does not inspect or detain pets at U.S. ports of entry.

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) is concerned with the importation, trade, sale, and taking of wildlife and with protecting endangered plant and animal species. Some wild species of dogs, cats, turtles, reptiles, and birds, although imported as pets, may be listed as endangered. Endangered and threatened animals and plants, migratory birds, marine mammals, and certain dangerous wildlife may not be imported without special federal permits. Sportsmen will find the section on wildlife of particular interest, since game birds and animals are subject to special entry requirements.

Pet owners should know that each state and U.S. territory has its own rules for pet ownership and importation, and these rules may be different than the federal regulations. For example, Hawaii and Guam have stringent quarantine regulations. To check the animal import requirements for your destination state, please visit the U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA) U.S. State and Territory Import Regulations website at <http://usda.gov/wps/portal/usda/usdahome?navid=PETS>.

Airlines generally require health certificates for traveling pets. You should check with your airline prior to your travel date to find out if there are any additional requirements. Airlines may charge fees, require a health certificate, or have rules about allowing certain types of pets on board.

If you are taking a pet to another country, contact that country's embassy in Washington, DC, or consular office servicing your area for information on any requirements that you must meet. A list of embassies, consulates and diplomatic missions can be found on the Department of State's web site at <http://usembassy.state.gov/>.

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## **GENERAL INFORMATION**

All birds and animals must be imported under healthy, humane conditions. U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) regulations require that careful arrangements be made with the carrier for suitable cages, space, ventilation, and protection from the elements. Cleaning, feeding, watering, and other necessary services must be provided. Under the Animal Welfare Act, the Department of Agriculture is responsible for setting the standards concerning the transportation, handling, care, and treatment of animals. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) is responsible for ensuring humane transport of all imported animals and birds (except domesticated species) and all imported or exported wildlife protected under the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species (CITES).

Every imported container of pets, or package of animal parts or products, must be plainly marked, labeled or tagged on the outside with the names and addresses of the shipper and consignee, along with an accurate invoice specifying the number of each species contained in the shipment.

Since hours of service and availability of inspectors from the other agencies involved may vary from port to port, you are strongly urged to check with your anticipated port of arrival before importing a pet or other animal. This will assure expeditious processing and reduce the possibility of unnecessary delays.

For the most up-to-date information, visit <http://www.cbp.gov/contact/ports/>.

### **Duty**

Dogs, cats, and turtles are free of duty. Other pets imported into the United States, if subject to a customs duty, may be included in your personal exemption if they accompany you and are imported for your personal use and not for sale.

**Scams**

Many scams exist trying to get money from potential adopters of dogs in other countries. Legitimate entities will not extort money for fees other than those associated with the actual cost of shipping, for which there should be pricing information on the carriers web site. Paying the carrier directly for shipping will ensure you are not being scammed.

If you have questions about “required” fees, contact the embassy of the country from which the dogs are being exported.

## **PETS AND WILDLIFE**

### **Purebred Animals**

Purebred animals other than domesticated livestock that are imported for breeding purposes are free of duty under certain conditions. A declaration is required to show that the importer is a citizen of the United States; that the animal is imported specifically for breeding purposes; that it is identical with the description in the certificate of pedigree presented; and that it is registered in the country of origin in a book of registry recognized by the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

An application to the Department of Agriculture on Veterinary Services Form 17-338 for a certificate of pure breeding must be furnished before the animal is examined at the designated port of entry. For complete information, write to the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service at:

Technical Trade Services, Animal Products Staff  
U.S. Department of Agriculture  
National Import/Export Center  
4700 River Road, Unit 40  
Riverdale, MD 20737-1231

### **Birds**

All processed or unprocessed avian products and avian by-products from countries that are considered affected with Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza (H5N1) are refused entry into the United States. A USDA import permit is required for most imported birds. Permit application forms can be obtained by contacting the USDA Animal Import Center directly or can be found on the USDA web site at [www.aphis.usda.gov/forms/vs17-129.pdf](http://www.aphis.usda.gov/forms/vs17-129.pdf).

*Non-U.S. origin birds*

All non-U.S.-origin pet birds imported into the United States (except from Canada) are required to be quarantined for 30 days in one of three special USDA animal import facilities at the owner's expense. You must make a reservation at the chosen facility in advance by contacting the USDA port veterinarian there. A cost estimate for the quarantine will be provided when you make your reservation.

Pet birds arriving at these facilities without advance reservations will generally be refused and may also be confiscated. Note that regardless of where you enter the United States, your pet bird must be presented for entry at New York City, Miami, or Los Angeles.

*USDA Quarantine Centers and Ports-of-Entry*

All non-U.S.-origin pet birds must enter the country and undergo quarantine at one of the following import quarantine facilities. These are the only ports-of-entry available for importing non-U.S.-origin pet birds.

New York, NY USDA–APHIS–  
Veterinary Services John F. Kennedy  
International Airport 230–59  
Rockaway Blvd., Suite 101  
Jamaica, NY 11413  
Telephone 718.553.1727  
Fax 718.553.7543

Miami, Fla. USDA–APHIS–  
Veterinary Services  
6300 NW. 36th Street (Perimeter Road)  
Miami, Fla. 33122  
Telephone 305.526.2926  
Fax 305.526.2929

Los Angeles, Calif. USDA–APHIS–  
Veterinary Services Los Angeles  
International Airport 11850 S. La  
Cienega Blvd.  
Hawthorne, Calif. 90250  
Telephone 310.725.1970  
Fax 310.725.9119

### *U.S. Origin Birds*

**ADVISORY:** Until further notice, there is a temporary ban on the importation of pet birds from Afghanistan, Albania, Azerbaijan, Bangladesh, Benin, Burkina Faso, Egypt, Cambodia, Cameroon, Czech Republic (regions (kraj) of Kralovehradecky and Pardubicky ONLY), Denmark (Funen County ONLY), Djibouti, France (VS defined restricted zone ONLY), Germany (the following kreis ONLY: Muldenthal, Torgue-Oschatz, Döbeln, Saalfeld-Rudolstadt, Schwandorf, Neustadt A.D. Aisch, Bamberg, Kitzingen, Erlangen-Hochstadt, Oberhavel, Havelland, Ostprignitz-Ruppin, Potsdam-Mittelmark, Uckermark, Mecklenburg-Strelitz, Prignitz and Jerichower Land), Ghana, Hungary (Bacs-Kiskun and Csongrad counties ONLY), India, Indonesia, Iran, Israel, Ivory Coast (Côte d'Ivoire), Japan, Jordan, Laos, Kazakhstan, Kuwait, Malaysia, Myanmar, Niger, Nigeria, Pakistan, Palestinian Autonomous Territories, Peoples' Republic of China, Poland (voivodships [provinces] of Warminsko-Mazurskie, Mazowiekie, and Kujawsko-Pomorskie ONLY), Romania, Russia, Saudi Arabia, South Korea, Sudan, Sweden (Kalmar county ONLY), Thailand, Togo, Turkey, Ukraine, United Kingdom (counties of Norfolk and Suffolk, England), and Vietnam.

Returning U.S. origin pet birds from these countries must go into 30-day quarantine in an USDA animal import quarantine facility. Otherwise, the bird is quarantined for 30 days at the owner's residence (home quarantine). Pet birds returning from Canada are exempt from quarantine.

U.S. origin pet birds and performing birds returning from countries that are considered affected with Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza (H5N1) also must be quarantined upon arrival for a minimum of 30 days in a USDA Animal Quarantine Center.

U.S. origin pet birds and performing birds returning from countries that are not considered affected with Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza (H5N1) are required to have 30-day home quarantine and testing for END and HPAI. All birds imported into the United States must be inspected by a USDA port veterinarian at the first U.S. port of entry. This inspection must be arranged in advance by contacting the port veterinarian at least 72 hours prior to travel. The phone number for the USDA port veterinarian will be located on the import permit or it can be found on the USDA web site at

[www.aphis.usda.gov/import\\_export/animals/animal\\_import/animal\\_imports\\_portlist.shtml](http://www.aphis.usda.gov/import_export/animals/animal_import/animal_imports_portlist.shtml). A current veterinary health certificate must accompany the bird. The health certificate must be

endorsed by a national veterinarian of the country of export and be issued within 30 days of importation.

### *Canadian Birds*

Birds imported from Canada are not required to be quarantined or tested. However, all birds must be examined by a USDA port veterinarian at the first U.S. port of entry. If the birds enter the United States via a U.S.-Canadian land border port, no import permit is required. If the birds enter via an airport, an import permit is required. The permit application can be obtained by calling 301.734.8364 or can be found on the USDA web site at [www.aphis.usda.gov/forms/vs17-129.pdf](http://www.aphis.usda.gov/forms/vs17-129.pdf).

More information on importing birds into the United States can be found on the USDA web site at [http://www.aphis.usda.gov/import\\_export/animals/return\\_pet\\_bird.shtml](http://www.aphis.usda.gov/import_export/animals/return_pet_bird.shtml), or by contacting:

USDA, APHIS, VS  
National Center for Import and Export  
4700 River Road, Unit 39  
Riverdale, MD 20737  
Telephone 301.734.8364  
Fax 301.734.6402

Importers and exporters of all wild birds, including captive-bred, are required to obtain clearance from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. Birds that are protected under the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species (CITES) require permits to travel from one country to another, and import of these birds may be subject to permit requirements or restrictions under the Wild Bird Conservation Act (WBCA). Birds imported or exported at other than a FWS designated port may require payment of inspection fees.

To request a CITES and/or WBCA permit application or to obtain more information, contact:

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service  
Office of Management Authority  
4401 North Fairfax Drive, Room 420  
Arlington, VA 22203.

The toll-free telephone number is 800.358.2104. Overseas calls should be placed to 703.358.2281. The FWS web site has additional information at [www.fws.gov/international](http://www.fws.gov/international).

### **Cats and Dogs**

The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) requires that pet dogs and cats imported into the United States be examined at the first port of entry for evidence of diseases that can be transmitted to humans. If a dog or cat appears to be sick at the port of entry, further examination by a licensed veterinarian at the owner's expense might be required.

Quarantine for pets is not required by most U.S. states and territories; however, Hawaii and Guam do have quarantine requirements for pet dogs and cats being imported into the United States. Pets excluded from entry into the United States must be sent back to the country of origin. While awaiting disposition, pets will be detained at the owner's expense at the port of arrival.

**It is illegal in the United States to import, export, distribute, transport, manufacture, or sell products containing dog or cat fur in the United States.** As of November 9, 2000 the Dog and Cat Protection Act of 2000 calls for the seizure and forfeiture of each item containing dog or cat fur.

The Act provides that any person who violates any provision may be assessed a civil penalty of not more than \$10,000 for each separate knowing and intentional violation, \$5,000 for each separate gross negligent violation, or \$3,000 for each separate negligent violation.

Collies, shepherds, and other dogs that are imported from any part of the world except Canada, Mexico, and regions of Central America and the West Indies and that are to be used in the handling of livestock must be inspected and quarantined at the port of entry for a sufficient time to determine their freedom from tapeworm.

## **Vaccinations**

CDC requires rabies vaccination for all dogs entering the United States from a country where rabies is present. These requirements apply to all dogs including puppies and service animals.

### *Proof of rabies vaccination*

Dogs arriving from a country where rabies is present must be accompanied by a current, valid rabies vaccination certificate that includes the following information:

- Name and address of owner
- Breed, sex, age, color, markings, and other identifying information for the dog
- Date of rabies vaccination and vaccine product information
- Date the vaccination expires
- Name, license number, address, and signature of veterinarian

Puppies must not be vaccinated against rabies before 3 months of age. Dogs that have never been vaccinated against rabies must be vaccinated at least 30 days before entering the United States. These vaccine requirements mean that the youngest that a puppy can be imported into the United States from a country where rabies is present is 4 months of age.

Adult dogs with a history of two or more rabies vaccinations are considered fully vaccinated if the vaccination date is current. **NOTE:** Some certificates say the vaccine is good for 3 years. Dogs should not get re-vaccinated if they are within the dates of the certificate.

### *Importing unvaccinated dogs*

Importation of unvaccinated dogs is allowed on a limited basis. Unvaccinated dogs may be imported if they are arriving from a rabies-free country (where they have lived for the past 6 months or since birth) or if they are being imported for use in scientific research where rabies vaccination would interfere with that research.

Unvaccinated dogs that arrive in the United States from countries that are not considered rabies-free may be denied entry to the United States and returned to the country of origin at the importer's expense. Questions about importing unvaccinated dogs may be directed to CDC at [CDCAAnimalImports@cdc.gov](mailto:CDCAAnimalImports@cdc.gov).

Dogs that arrive in Hawaii or Guam, both of which are free of rabies, are also subject to locally imposed quarantine requirements.

### **Special Circumstances**

Dogs imported from countries or regions where “screwworm” is known to exist may be imported if the dog is accompanied by a certificate signed by a full-time salaried veterinary official of the region of origin stating that the dog has been inspected for screwworm within 5 days prior to shipment to the United States. The certificate must state that the dog is either free from screwworm, or was found to be infested with screwworm and held in quarantine and treated until free from screwworm prior to leaving the region.

Owners of dogs imported from countries or regions affected with Foot-and-Mouth Disease (FMD) are advised to take the following precautions to prevent the introduction of FMD from pets entering the United States:

- The feet, fur, and bedding of the pets should be free of any excessive dirt or mud.
- The pet's bedding should be free of any straw or hay, or other natural bedding.
- The pet should be bathed as soon as it reaches its final destination.
- The pet should be kept separate and apart from all livestock for at least 5 days after entry into the United States.

For further information or questions concerning import applications, please contact the APHIS Animal Products Program at 301.734.3277.

### **Monkeys**

Monkeys and other nonhuman primates may be brought into the United States only for scientific, educational, or exhibition purposes by importers who are registered with CDC. Under no circumstances may nonhuman primates be imported as pets. Registered importers who wish to import or export primates for a permitted purpose in accordance with CDC requirements are also required to obtain clearance from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. The Convention on

International Trade in Endangered Species (CITES) requires that all primates have permits.

### **Turtles, Tortoises, and Terrapins**

Live turtles with a shell length of less than 4 inches (linear measure) and viable turtle eggs may not be imported for commercial purposes. An individual may import live turtles with shells less than 4 inches long if the importation is not for commercial purposes and the importation includes fewer than seven live turtles, fewer than seven viable turtle eggs, or any combination of turtles and eggs totaling fewer than seven. CDC may issue a permit for importation of more than the permitted number if the importation is for a noncommercial scientific, education, or exhibition purpose.

There are no CDC restrictions on the importation of live turtles with a shell longer than four inches. Importers and exporters of all tortoises and terrapins must obtain clearance from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. Importers should check with USDA regarding import restrictions for some tortoises.

### **Rabbits, Guinea pigs, hamsters, ferrets, and other pet rodents**

CDC prohibits the importation of live or dead rodents of African origin into the United States. This includes rodents that were caught in Africa and then shipped directly to the United States or shipped to other countries before being imported to the United States. The ban also applies to rodents whose native habitat is in Africa, even if those rodents were born elsewhere. This rule was implemented in 2003 after an outbreak of monkeypox in the United States was traced back to a giant Gambian rat imported into the United States for the pet trade. Rabbits, Guinea pigs, hamsters, ferrets, and other pet rodents from other continents are not restricted at this time.

**CDC issues permits for rodents imported for scientific, exhibition, or educational purposes.**

**To learn more about regulations governing African rodents, please visit:**

[www.cdc.gov/animalimportation/africanrodents.html](http://www.cdc.gov/animalimportation/africanrodents.html).

## WILDLIFE

The following categories of wildlife and fish are subject to certain prohibitions, restrictions, permit and quarantine requirements:

- Mammals, birds, amphibians, fish, insects, crustaceans, mollusks, reptiles, coral, and other invertebrates.
- Any part or products, such as feathers, skins, eggs; and articles manufactured from wildlife.

Federal laws prohibit the importation or transportation of any wildlife or wildlife parts that violate state or foreign laws.

### Designated Ports

Generally, all wildlife (including parts and products) must be imported or exported through one of the following designated ports.

<b><u>Anchorage, AK</u></b> P.O. Box 190045 Anchorage, Alaska 99519 907.271.6198; 907.271.6199 fax	<b><u>Louisville</u></b> 601 Broadway, Suite 115-A Louisville, Kentucky 40202 502.582.5989; 502.582.5981 fax
<b><u>Atlanta, GA</u></b> 4341 International Parkway, Suite #104 Atlanta, Georgia 30354 404.763.7959; 404.366.7031 fax	<b><u>Memphis</u></b> 3150 Tchulahoma Ave. Suite #6 Memphis, Tennessee 38118 901.544.3694; 901.544.3696
<b><u>Baltimore, MD</u></b> P.O. Box 8776 BWI Air Cargo Complex Building F, Suite 1500 Baltimore, MD 21240 410.694.9590; 410.694.9594 fax	<b><u>Miami, FL</u></b> 6601 N.W. 25th Street, Rm. 134 Miami, Florida 33172 305.526.2994 or 2620; 305.526.7480 fax
<b><u>Boston, MA</u></b> U.S. Fish and Wildlife 70 Everett Avenue, Suite 315 Chelsea, MA 02150	<b><u>New Orleans, LA</u></b> 2424 Edenborn, Room 100 Metairie, Louisiana 70001 504/219-8870; 504/219-8868 fax

617/889-6616; 617/889-1980 fax	
<b><u>Chicago, IL</u></b> Wildlife Inspection Program 10600 Higgins Road, Suite 200 Rosemont, IL 60018 847.298.3250; 847.298.7669 fax	<b><u>New York, NY</u></b> 70 E. Sunrise Hwy. #419 Valley Stream, New York 11580 516.825.3950; 516.825.3597 fax
<b><u>Dallas/Ft. Worth, TX</u></b> 1717 West 23rd, Suite 105 DFW Airport, Texas 75261 972.574.3254; 972.574.4669 fax	<b><u>Newark, NJ</u></b> 1210 Corbin St SeaLand Bldg, 1st Fl. Elizabeth, New Jersey 07201 908.787.1321; 908.787.1334 fax
<b><u>Houston</u></b> 16639 W. Hardy Rd Houston, Texas 77060-6230 <b>Cargo Office</b> 281.230.7225; 281.230.7227 fax	<b><u>Portland, OR (Wilsonville)</u></b> 7000 NE Airport Way, Rm C2732 P.O. Box 55206 Portland, Oregon 97238 503.628.6131
<b><u>Honolulu, HI</u></b> 3375 Koapaka St. #B296 Honolulu, Hawaii 96819-1867 808.861.8525; 808.861.8515 fax	<b><u>San Francisco, CA</u></b> 1633 Old Bayshore Hwy., Ste. 248 Burlingame, California 94010 650.876.9078; 650.876.9701 fax
<b><u>Los Angeles, CA</u></b> 370 Amapola Ave. #114 Torrance, California 90501 310.328.6307; 310.328.6399 fax	<b><u>Seattle, WA</u></b> 2580 South 156th Street Seattle, Washington 98158 206.764.3463; 206.764.3485 fax

Most fish and wildlife imported or exported at a FWS non-designated port require payment of inspection fees. All such packages and containers must be marked, labeled, or tagged to clearly indicate the name and address of the shipper and consignee, and the number and nature of contents. Wildlife in any form, including pets, imported into or exported from the United States must be declared on U.S. Fish and Wildlife Form 3-177 (Declaration for Importation or Exportation of Fish or Wildlife) and cleared by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service prior to release by CBP. Contact the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service for further clearance requirements and for a copy of the pamphlets *Facts about Federal Wildlife Laws* and *Buyer Beware*. Domesticated pets such as dogs, cats, hamsters, gerbils, guinea pigs, and rabbits do not require clearance from FWS. For information about importing animal and bird products such as hides, eggs, feathers, etc. contact the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service at:

National Center for Import and Export  
4700 River Road, Unit 39  
Riverdale, MD 20737  
Telephone 301.734.8364  
Fax 301.734.6402

### **Game: Birds and Other Animals**

Specimens of game birds and animals, other than protected species, that are legally killed by United States residents in Canada or Mexico may be imported for non-commercial purposes at any CBP port of entry and declared on a FWS Form 3-177. Game must be accompanied by a valid hunting license, tags, stamps, and by an export document from the country where taken, if such is required. Only United States residents may import game free of duty. Some game animals, such as black bear or elephant, require permits to be imported. Many countries also require export permits for all wildlife. Hunters should check with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service for permit and country requirements. The telephone number is 703.358.1949.

If the hunter wishes to import the meat, he/she must have a letter from a butcher indicating that the animal/bird was of Canadian origin and dressed at his/her butcher shop. All migratory birds must be imported with one wing attached for identification purposes.

United States residents may only import migratory game birds that they themselves have legally killed. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service has regulations regarding the number and species of migratory game birds that may be imported from Canada, Mexico, and other countries. Hunters should familiarize themselves with the restrictions on migratory game birds taken legally during open season in other countries; hunter should also be aware that some countries require wildlife export permits. Certain USDA restrictions may also apply. Contact the Veterinary Services (VS) Veterinarian in Charge in your state. For a list of offices and telephone numbers you should contact the Veterinary Services, Technical Trade Services, Animal Products Staff in Riverdale,

Md, at 301.734.3277.

Game birds and waterfowl that are being imported as trophies must be sent to a taxidermy facility that has been approved by the USDA's Veterinary Services. A list of approved taxidermists in a particular state can be obtained from the Technical Trade Services, Animal Products Staff, National Center for Import-Export at 301.734.3277.

Many animals, products, and byproducts from such animals are prohibited, or allowed only restricted entry into the United States. Specific requirements vary according to the country of export; for more information about importation by country, please call the USDA Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS), National Import-Export Center, at 301.734.3277.

### **Endangered Species**

Some wildlife, including pets, are listed as threatened or endangered under the U.S. Endangered Species Act (ESA) and are prohibited from import or export unless authorized under a permit. The United States is a party in the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora, commonly known as CITES. This treaty regulates trade in endangered species of wildlife, plants and their products. International trade in species listed by CITES is illegal unless authorized by permit. Items restricted by CITES include, but are not limited to, articles made from whale teeth, ivory, tortoise shell, reptile, fur skins, coral, and birds. Permits to import into or export from the United States and re-export certificates are issued by the Division of Management Authority of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. Information on wildlife and plants, including lists of endangered species, may be obtained from that agency.

## **ADDRESSES AND WEB SITES**

Although essential requirements are described in this brochure, all regulations cannot be covered in detail. If you have any questions, write or call your local CBP office or the specific agency mentioned. Their addresses and web sites are:

### **U.S. Customs and Border Protection**

Customer Service Center

1300 Pennsylvania Ave, NW

Washington, D.C. 20229

Tel. 703.526.4200 or Toll Free 1.877.CBP.5511 (1.877.227.5511)

[www.cbp.gov](http://www.cbp.gov)

### **U.S. Public Health Service**

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Division  
of Global Migration and Quarantine (E-03) Atlanta,  
GA 30333

[www.cdc.gov/ncidod/dq/animal/index.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/ncidod/dq/animal/index.htm)

### **Confinement agreement for non-vaccinated dogs:**

[www.cdc.gov/ncidod/dq/animal/dogs.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/ncidod/dq/animal/dogs.htm)

### **USDA Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service**

Technical Trade Services, Animal Products Staff

U.S. Department of Agriculture

National Import/Export Center

4700 River Road, Unit 40

Riverdale, MD 20737-1231

Tel. 301.734.3277

**Importing pet birds into the United States:**

[www.aphis.usda.gov/NCIE](http://www.aphis.usda.gov/NCIE)

**Permit application for birds entering via an airport:**

[www.aphis.usda.gov/forms/vs17-129.pdf](http://www.aphis.usda.gov/forms/vs17-129.pdf).

**USDA port veterinarians:**

[www.aphis.usda.gov/import\\_export/animals/animal\\_import/animal\\_imports\\_portlist.shtml](http://www.aphis.usda.gov/import_export/animals/animal_import/animal_imports_portlist.shtml)

**U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service**

Division of Management Authority

4401 N, Fairfax Drive, Room 700

Arlington, Va. 22203

Tel. 703.358.2104

**To obtain wildlife permits:**

[www.international.fws.gov](http://www.international.fws.gov)

**For clearance ports and inspection fees:**

Office of Law Enforcement

4401 N. Fairfax Drive, Room 500

Arlington, Va. 22203

Tel. 703.358.1949

[www.le.fws.gov](http://www.le.fws.gov)

U.S. CUSTOMS AND BORDER PROTECTION

Report Suspicious Activity at

1-800-BE-ALERT

[www.cbp.gov](http://www.cbp.gov)

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