

Import requirements United Kingdom

Please note that the information is up to date but since the rules and regulations are subject to change, we advise you to always check with your veterinarian for the latest information and/or contact the appropriate authorities for your destination

1. Check that your veterinarian has the correct data of your family, names, address, telephone numbers and of your pets, name, species, breed, microchip number, weight etc.

2. Microchip

Each Pet shall be identified by means of a microchip. No other form of identification is acceptable. The microchip used should comply with ISO Standard 11784 or Annex A to ISO standard 11785- otherwise the pet will need to be sent with it's own scanner attached to the top of the kennel.

- The microchip implantation **MUST BE DONE BEFORE** the rabies vaccination. Make sure the Vet scans the chip prior to implant so we know it works. The date of microchipping and the side of implantation should be mentioned on the vaccination record.

3. Rabies Vaccination & Certificate

All pets must have an original Rabies Certificate (can be the vaccination booklet) and this certificate must state the microchip number, the date of vaccination and the validity of the particular vaccination you obtain – some are good for three years, others are only good for one.

4. Rabies Titer Test

This Test is to ensure that the rabies vaccinations have provided adequate rabies antibody levels and will need to be executed by a UK Government approved Laboratory after which it should be attested by the government of the exporting country prior to export.

To obtain a Rabies Titer test, your vet will need to send a serum (blood) sample, accompanied by a completed form to an approved laboratory. This laboratory will then send titer test form with the results of the test back to the submitting clinic.

The results of the blood test must be ≥ 0.5 IU/ml or above in order to qualify for entry into the UK. The 'Six Month Wait' begins at the day of blood draw, meaning that if you have a positive certificate you can travel without your pet having to go into quarantine six months after the date of bloodsampling. Once the certificate for Rabies Antibodies has been achieved it is life long valid as long as you keep the vaccination record up to date. (NOTE: this does not go for Australia and New Zealand travel!). If the vaccination has expired, so has the rabies antibody level certificate.

5. Letter From Your Vet

Please have a typed letter, on the Vet's Company Letterhead, which states the date the microchip was implanted. Please include the microchip number and the Pet(s) information (name, breed, sex & age)

* Please note – if the Rabies Vaccination and the blood draw date were done on the same day, please state that the vaccination was given **BEFORE** the blood was drawn. The letter needs to be signed by your veterinarian in **BLUE** ink.

6. EU Veterinary Health Certificate

This is the standard Health Certificate to be filled out by your Veterinarian. 24-48 Hours prior to departure you will need to go to your Veterinarian so they can issue both an International Health Certificate & the Tick/Tapeworm Treatments they have administered.

7. Final Step

Check all the paperwork for correct spelling, correct names, microchipnumber, dates, breed & species.

Note: On the day of travelling, make sure that all documents are attached to your pet's travel kennel and make sure you have at least one copy of all the documents.