



PET IMPORT TO CHINA

Documents Required:

** Please make sure your vet is 'USDA Accredited' & ALL signatures are in BLUE INK **

___ Original International Health Certificate issued by a USDA Accredited Vet (7 Days Prior to Departure)

___ Rabies Vaccination Record

___ Printed History of Pets Vet Records

For Dogs & Cats Respectively:

___ Canine Distemper, Parvovirus and Hepatitis, Bordatella

___ Feline Cat Flu-Feline Calicivirus

___ Feline Viral Rhinotracheitis

___ Chlamydia Psittaci

___ Cat Enteritis-Feline Panleukopaenia/Feline Parvo Virus

___ Microchip Implantation & Record

___ Copy of Owner's Original Passport

* All of the documents in blue need to be sent to your state USDA office for their endorsement. Please consult with your PetRelocation specialist on the best procedures for getting this done.

Please Note:

* Please make sure that the Health Certificate also states that the pet has no clinical signs of Aujosky's disease, Distemper, Rabies, Leishmaoiasis and Leptospirosis

* All vaccinations must be done more than one month, but not more than 12 months, prior to the date of departure.

* A Microchip is required and the microchip number must be put on the vaccination or health certificate.

* Mandatory seven days of quarantine is required.



China Import Rules & Requirements

The following are the requirements for Approval for Pet Cats/Dogs entering China.

Please note - All rules and requirements below must be followed in the order we have shown below.

Prepare → Initial Crucial Steps to Take Prior to Starting the Process.

- Travel Crate:** The first crucial steps to any successful pet relocation involve the purchase of your pet's travel crate and properly acclimating your pet to its new travel environment. The final 4 pages of this document detail the importance of these steps and provide a guiding hand as to what type of travel crate to purchase and how to go about crate training your pet.
- USDA Accredited** The vet performing the below mentioned tasks must be accredited by the USDA. If they are not, then we will work with you on finding another accredited Veterinarian.
- Blue Ink** it is best for all original documentation to be filled out and signed in **blue ink**.

Step 1 → 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 crate.

- Scan** the microchip **BEFORE** placing it in the animal to be sure the chip is working prior to implantation.
- Implant** the ISO Microchip in the animal.
- Record** the microchip number and implantation date
- The microchip implantation can be done at any time but **NOT LESS THAN 2 WEEKS PRIOR TO EXPORT.**

Step 2 → Rabies Vaccination & Certificate: All pets must have an original Rabies Certificate and this certificate must state the date of inoculation and the validity of the particular vaccination you obtain – date of inoculation must be no more than one year old prior to the import date and no less than 30 days old prior to the export date.

- Administer** Rabies Vaccine, can be a 1, 2, or 3 year killed vaccine but must be **no more than one year old prior to import and no less than 30 days old prior to export.**
- Record** the Manufacturer's Name, Batch Number & Vaccine Expiration Date on the Rabies Certificate.
- Original Signature** in blue ink from the veterinarian must be included on the Rabies Certificate

Step 3 → Other Required Vaccinations: **The following vaccinations must be no more than one year old prior to the import date and no less than 30 days old prior to the export date**

Dogs:

- Canine Distemper, Parvovirus and Hepatitis (Combo vaccine is commonly known as DHPP)
- Bordatella (also known as "kennel cough" vaccine)

Cats:

- Feline Cat Flu-Feline Calicivirus
- Feline Viral Rhinotracheitis
- Chlamydia Psittaci
- Feline Enteritis- Feline Panleukopaenia/Feline Parvo Virus



* Combo vaccine that includes all four of these is commonly known as FVRCCP or FVRCP (check with vet to make sure the Chlamydia Psittaci is included in the "FVRCP" vaccine)

□ Step 4 → Apply for the Import Permit and Quarantine Space: Seven days of quarantine are required for all incoming pets to China. We apply for this on your behalf but you must send us the following to do so:

- Copy of your Passport
- Copy of Vaccination History for each pet
- Copy of Rabies Certificate for each pet

□ Step 5 → Receive Import Permit and Quarantine Confirmation: We will let you know as soon as it has been received.

□ Step 6 → Confirm Pet Itinerary: Once we have the quarantine space confirmed we can finalize the travel dates.

□ Step 7 → Vet Visit 7 Days Prior to Export: This visit should be scheduled no more than 7 days and no less than 5 days prior to the departure date. In addition, we ask that you schedule the appointment during our normal business hours so that we can be of assistance and review the paperwork before you leave. At this vet visit you will need to complete the following:

- Obtain an **International Health Certificate (Form 7001)**: Your vet should have these in stock. It's a good idea to call ahead and ask. This is an international health certificate that needs to be completed by your vet within 7 days of departure. Depending on the logistics of your particular pet relocation and the specific health certificate being used, an additional USDA Endorsement maybe required on this health certificate. Speak to your PetRelocation.com specialist regarding the USDA portion of this process.

USDA APHIS Form 7001 (sample)

The image shows a sample of the USDA APHIS Form 7001, 'International Health Certificate'. The form is divided into several sections:

- Section 1:** Animal Information (Name, Breed, Sex, Age, Date of Birth, etc.)
- Section 2:** Health Status (Vaccination History, Rabies Status, etc.)
- Section 3:** Veterinarian Information (Name, Address, Telephone, etc.)
- Section 4:** Endorsement (For use by USDA APHIS)

 The form contains various checkboxes and fields for recording the animal's health and the veterinarian's observations.

* Your vet should be familiar with the proper protocol for completing the International Health Certificate, but it is important to specify the following:



[Box 3] **NAME, ADDRESS AND TELEPHONE NUMBER OF OWNER/CONSIGNOR:**
Completed using owner's information.

[Box 4] **NAME, ADDRESS AND TELEPHONE NUMBER OF CONSIGNEE:** Completed per PetRelocation.com specialists instructions.

- Obtain a Rabies Certificate with an Original Signature in Blue Ink from your veterinarian (be sure to include the microchip number on this certificate)
- Obtain a printed copy of the vaccination history for each pet (must include all required vaccinations mentioned above and the microchip number of your pet)

*****Please fax over all of these documents to your PetRelocation Specialist for review before leaving the vet and moving on to Step 8.**

☐ Step 8 → FedEx Health Documents to USDA: The above referenced forms (from Step 7) need to be sent to your local USDA office for their stamp of approval. Your PetRelocation.com agent will provide you with a prepaid, overnight FedEx envelope addressed to your local USDA office. Once you obtain the above documents from your vet, simply place them into the prepaid envelope and drop it off at your local FedEx drop off location. Once the USDA endorses the documents, they will overnight them back to our driver with the enclosed prepaid return label (also provided by PetRelocation.com). Upon return, we will give you confirmation that everything is in order. The endorsed documents will travel with our driver when he/she arrives to pick up your pets and check them in at the airport.

If you choose to facilitate the USDA endorsement on your own, then USDA locations for each state can be found at www.aphis.usda.gov/animal_health/area_offices/

☐ Step 9 → Pet Preparation:

The following steps are to further ensure you pet's safety and comfort during transit, especially during the summer months.

- Make sure your pet's toenails are clipped:** You don't want them to get hooked on the carrier door or other openings.
- Undercoat Removal:** Removing dead undercoat will help keep your pet cooler. Bringing your double coated breed to the salon or vet for professional undercoat removal prior to departure is a great way to help them feel more comfortable, especially in the summer months. ***Shaving double coated breeds does NOT keep them cooler.***
- Collars & Identification:** It is recommended to purchase a sturdy collar for your pet with two identification tags. On one tag, write your pet's name, your name, home address and home phone number. On the other tag, write your destination address and phone number. Make sure the collar and tags cannot get hooked on metal grates or other parts of the kennel during flight. Veterinarians recommend breakaway collars for cats.



- **Exercise:** Prior to pick up, have one last walk around the old neighborhood, play fetch, toss the frisbee around the back yard, or anything physical that you and your pet enjoy doing together. A tired pet is a happy pet and this will help your pet be more at ease during travel. If you get them tired enough they may even simply sleep through the whole process. It's also a good idea to go for that last bathroom break.

- **Food & Water:** We recommend that about four hours prior to departure you stop feeding your pet. This will help to alleviate any discomfort they may encounter due to a tummy ache or travel sickness and will also help to reduce the chance of a having a "potty" accident in the crate. Water dishes can be filled with water and frozen the day before, this helps to reduce spillage that occurs with water while allowing your pet to still drink as the water melts.



Travel Crate Information

□ Purchasing Your Pet's Travel Crate

Purchase the crate as far in advance as possible or, if you already own a crate, bring it out of storage and re-introduce your pet to it.

The kennel must meet the following requirements:

- **Constructed of hard, sturdy plastic (Wire/Collapsible Kennels are NOT acceptable)**
- **Ventilated on all sides – No Doors on the Top!**
- **Be large enough for the animal to freely sit and stand with its head erect while not touching the ceiling and turn around & lie down in a normal posture.**
- **It must not have a top loading door**

The size of your pet's travel crate - particularly by air is governed by legislation and it is critical to ensure your container is of the correct minimum dimensions and has the necessary and adequate ventilation required. The internal crate measurement has to be greater than the length of your pet, by at least 2 inches - allowing enough space for your pet to stand up, turnaround and lie down with legs out.

The best approach is to bring your pet with you to the pet store. Many of today's modern pet stores will allow you to bring your pet. Take this opportunity to try your pet's crate on for size. This helps to ensure the proper fit the first time, with out unnecessary shipping or returns due to wrong crate sizes.

Below is a visual guide to the ABC's of pet travel crates:



Good

Bad

A
Height

- Crate is tall enough for pet to stand up comfortably
- Pet does not have to duck to see out of the crate.

A
Height

- Crate is too short for pet to stand up straight.
- Pet is ducking to see out.

B
Width

- Wide enough for pet to turn around comfortably.

B
Width

- Not wide enough for pet to turn around comfortably.

C
Length

- Long enough for pet to lie down comfortably with paws extended.

C
Length

- Not long enough for pet to lie down comfortably with paws extended.



□ Crate Training *The Most Important Step to Help Ensure Pet Comfort*

Getting your pets acclimated to their crate early is by far the single most important thing you can do to help relieve the stress of your pets during their move. Crate Training is a simple process, especially for dogs, and its purpose is to provide 'confinement' for reasons of security, safety, housebreaking, protection, travel or illness.

You may think that putting your pet in a crate is mean or inhumane and might cause your pet to resent you or to be psychologically damaged. However, dogs view the world differently than people. As your dog sees it, the crate is a room of it's very own - a "security blanket" or "comfort zone" if you will. The crate helps to satisfy the "den instinct" inherited from his den-dwelling ancestors and relatives. Your pet will feel secure, not frustrated, once accustomed to its crate.

Puppies are often the easiest to crate train; however many times our customers are relocating adult pets. Older dogs are just as easily trainable, but you must introduce the crate in a slower manner. You cannot just put your dog into the crate and hope they will adjust.

- **Place the crate in the room most used by the family or next to the pet's food. This will allow him to associate with this new piece of 'furniture' and its addition to their personal space.**
- **Remove the door from the crate! Many times, the swinging door is what scares the pet the most. Encourage your pet to enter voluntarily by tossing a treat into the far end, praising them enthusiastically once they enter, then letting them come right back out.**
- **Over a brief period of time, install the door back onto the crate but secure it open so it does not swing freely. Once your pet enters the crate confidently, coax it to lie down and relax, using food, if necessary. Shut the door briefly, while you sit beside the crate or when there are people in the room.**
- **When you feel your dog will remain quietly in the crate, leave him alone for 15 - 30 minutes. If all goes well, you can leave him for longer intervals. While traveling, your pet will be in its crate for a long period of time, so it is best to practice longer and longer intervals.**

□ Crate Preparation - Getting it Ready for the Big Day

- **Food & Water Dishes:** Include two empty dishes (one for food and one for water), accessible from the outside. Each dish needs to attach to the door for the pets safety. These are provided complimentary in this package by PetRelocation.



- ❑ **Absorbent Material:** The kennel must contain absorbent material. Please note that the use of straw, hay or wood shavings is prohibited for international shipments. You may also choose to use blankets or a pet bed. Remember that anything you use will start to compromise the height of the crate so plan accordingly. Essentially you want to turn the crate into a crate "bed".
- ❑ **Crate Stickers:** Also included in this packet are all crate labels needed. Please place these stickers on crate as instructed; see attached crate sticker placement sheet.
- ❑ **Security Ties:** If your crate allows, use the plastic zip ties, included in this package, to add additional security by securing them to the corners of the crate.

Attention: This information is to be used as general guidelines and may not be updated to meet the current requirements. Before you travel, be sure to contact the appropriate authorities for your destination country.

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