

Pet Travel to Europe

This packet has been prepared to help you and your pet travel to Europe successfully. We hope this packet will provide you with useful information to help make your travel easier. It is important that you follow all entry guidelines to prevent long quarantine periods or entry refusal. We also recommend that you contact your airline regarding specific kennel and travel requirements. It should also be noted that many airlines impose travel embargos during the summer and winter months. With these guidelines in mind, please inform the VTF staff of your travel plans as soon as possible; this will help us ensure that all travel requirements are met. Please feel free to ask further questions. We hope you and your pet enjoy Europe!

Public Health Command Region Europe



Pet Checklist for PCSing to EU countries (ex. Belgium, Germany, Italy, Netherlands, Portugal and Spain) from the United States

This is just a quick overview of the requirements. It is strongly recommended that you review the requirements listed at:

http://ec.europa.eu/food/animal/liveanimals/pets/nocomm_third_en.htm

- Working ISO or ISO Compatible Microchip (or you may carry your own reader)
 - Microchip implantation must occur prior to rabies vaccination. Any rabies vaccination that occurs prior to microchip implantation is not considered valid. If a microchip is being implanted for the first time, 21 days must have elapsed after rabies vaccination before the health certificate can be issued.

- Rabies Vaccination – For vaccine to be valid, must be given after microchip implantation. The rabies must have been done at least 21 days prior to entry if it was the primary (first) vaccination. If the pet's booster vaccination was not done prior to the previous rabies expiration date then it is considered another primary vaccination and not a booster so 21 days must have passed.

- Documentation (both are required)
 - Health Certificate – APHIS Form 7001 (United States Interstate and International Certificate of Health Examination for Small Animals) issued not more than 10 days prior to arrival. If not from a US Army Veterinarian then it must be signed by a USDA Veterinarian.

 - EU Health Certificate (EU Form 998) – if not from a US Army Veterinarian then it must be signed by a USDA Veterinarian. A copy of the countries certificate and more information on EU pet regulations can be found at:
http://ec.europa.eu/food/animal/liveanimals/pets/nocomm_third_en.htm

- Keep a copy of all documentation for your records

- Ensure pet's flight does not have a layover in a country with quarantine requirements.

- Kennel arrangements should be made prior to pet's arrival if pet friendly lodging on post is not procured.