

Health Certificate Application

Please read and prepare the following information prior to your appointment.

Important Information to Know

Visit the USDA APHIS website for any requirements that your destination may have.
<https://www.aphis.usda.gov/aphis/pet-travel/take-pet-to-foreign-country>. Be sure to check regularly as requirements change often without notice.

It is important that you research all requirements, not only for your destination, but also your airline **prior to your visit to avoid any delays**, especially if traveling internationally. Some of the following may be required and vary depending on airline, destination, and pet:

Health Certificate

Vaccination Records

Specific Carrier Requirements (many airlines have strict requirements for size, shape and/or type)

Pet Passport

Be sure to give yourself plenty of time in advance to obtain all of the required documents, testing, and vaccination you may need to travel with your pet. Some countries have very specific and lengthy processes (sometimes spanning weeks or months) including and not limited to vaccinations, blood tests, parasite treatments, and documented physical exams. Certain countries require isolation or “quarantine” periods that may last weeks to months.

What You Can Expect From Us at Tampa Bay Hospitals

Our veterinarians are USDA accredited to perform exams for and sign off on International/Interstate Health Certificates.

A full physical exam will be performed, and your documents reviewed.

******Important:** After you visit here, the process is **NOT complete!** The Health Certificate will need to be endorsed by the State Veterinarian at the USDA office in Gainesville Florida. Allow at least 3 – 5 business days for processing. Most health certificates are only valid for 10-15 days following issue including shipping/processing time.

Before Your Health Certificate Appointment

The following information must be provided **at least 24 hours prior** to your scheduled Health Certificate appointment.

******Please note:** any incomplete or incorrect information provided will delay the health certificate process and may affect your travel plans, there will also be additional costs to resubmit.

Destination of Pet:

Address of the location the pet will be staying and contact information of the responsible party – may or may not be the owner if someone else will be accompanying the pet.

Microchips:

Be aware most countries require microchips to be in place prior to travel, some even require microchips to be in place prior to vaccinating – this timeline is critical to your travel ability. Please contact the USDA for your country's requirements.

Vaccine History

We must have hard copies of vaccination history and Rabies Certificate at least 24 hours prior to Health Certificate appointment if vaccines were not done at your Animal Hospital of choice. Any vaccines not current or without proper documentation will need to be updated based on destination requirements before the health certificate can be issued.

For other species of pets, please provide any vaccinations that your pet has received. If none, please write "none".

Does your destination require vaccine titers?*

Obtaining vaccine titers is a process that can span weeks or months. This timeline may interfere with travel plans and must be researched thoroughly.

Heartworm and Parasite Prevention

Many countries recommend specific products be used at predetermined timelines, and may require application or administrations of medications to be supervised by a veterinarian. Please be sure to contact the USDA for specific guidelines based on your travel plans.

Health Certificate Requirements

Health Certificates are legal documents and must be accurate and precise. It is of the utmost importance that all research is done and all information is made available prior to the time the health certificate is needed. Missing information or failing to meet requirements may result in denial of entry of the pet in question and/or delays that will affect travel plans.

******Please Note:** Our veterinarians retain the right to deny endorsement of a health certificate if all of the requirements have not been met as necessary. It is the responsibility of the pet owner to obtain and provide information on all requirements and any necessary records.

The Health Certificate process can be complicated and time consuming. Please contact the USDA for any questions or concerns you might have regarding this process.

Once requirements have been met, call 813-949-8000 to set up an appointment for a physical exam and records review.

This form and accompanying documents must be received at least 24 hours prior to Health Certificate appointment.

Tampa Bay Animal Hospitals Health Certificate Form

Please fill out the following form- All entries must be filled out completely **and accurately as this will be the information used on your pet's health certificate.** Please be advised, ANY changes made after this form has been submitted will require additional charges for changes and resubmission.

Owner Information

Name (First & Last)	
Address (City, State and Zip Code)	
Phone #	
Email	

Pet 1

Pet 2

Name	Name
Species	Species
Breed	Breed
Sex	Sex
Neutered/Spayed? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Neutered/Spayed ? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Date of Birth	Date of Birth
Microchip #	Microchip #
Heartworm Brand Prevention:	Heartworm Brand Prevention:
Internal Parasite Prevention Brand:	Internal Parasite Prevention Brand:
Rabies Vaccination Date:	Rabies Vaccination Date:
Distemper Vaccination Date:	Distemper Vaccination Date:

Travel Information:

Country of Destination	
Destination Address:	
Port of Entry	
Trip Duration	<input type="checkbox"/> Temporary <input type="checkbox"/> Permanent
Method of Travel	<input type="checkbox"/> Air Cargo <input type="checkbox"/> Air Cabin
Date of Travel	
Airline Name	
Flight Number	
Are you traveling with your pet/s?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Yes ● No - Please answer the following.
If not traveling with your pet please provide the following: Travel Companion Name (First & Last) Travel Companion Address Travel Companion Phone #	

I _____ (owner/authorized person by owner), affirm that all the information provided is accurate and understand that any changes will result in additional charges for resubmission.