

PROPOSAL/GUIDELINE TO BRING DOG/CAT TO MAURITIUS

The following information will have to be submitted on the appropriate application form to the Veterinary Services Division by the applicant :-

- (1) Species of animals
- (2) Age or Date of Birth
- (3) Sex
- (4) Breed
- (5) Colour
- (6) Coat type and marking/distinguished mark
- (7) Identification number/microchip
- (8) Expected date of arrival.

The applicant will be issued an Import Permit subject to :-

- (1) Production of proof that all the conditions imposed on the specimen copy of the Import Permit have been complied with (originals or certified true copy of originals to be submitted). THE SPECIMEN COPY IS AVAILABLE ON DEMAND AT THE DIVISION OF VETERINARY SERVICES ON ABOVE ADDRESS.**
- (2) Availability of kennel/cattery at the Quarantine Station.**
- (3) Payment of import fee of Rs500 per animal and veterinary clearance fee of Rs500, as applicable at time of application.**
- (4) In case of importation by cargo, coordinates of local broker, for clearance purposes.**

Other charges are as follows:

- (i) Rent of kennel/cattery - Rs15 per day per animal.
- (ii) Cost of food will be settled at the end of each month in case you do not provide food to your dog/cat - Rs25 per day per animal.

Visiting hours :-

Monday to Saturday : From 09.00 a.m to 11.00 a.m
 From 01.00 p.m to 02.30 p.m

Sundays & : From 09.00 a.m to 12.00 a.m
 Public Holidays

At least three days before arrival of the dog/cat, you should inform the time of arrival and flight number to this office by fax or phone.

On the date of arrival, you or your representative should be present at the Airport, for customs formalities. In case of absence of owner or representative (broker), the animal risks to be put back on the plane at owner's cost or put to sleep after one hour of landing.

NOTE

- (i) The owner shall be deemed to have studied and understood all conditions of import stated in the import permit.
- (ii) **If the conditions of the export Veterinary Certificate do not conform to those laid down in the import permit, landing of the animal will not be allowed and it will be returned to the country of origin at the Importer's expense or otherwise put to sleep (euthanasia).**
- (iii) If the animal is not imported within the period specified the import permit shall stand cancelled. Fresh permit should be obtained after payment of relevant fees again.
- (iii) The date and number of the import permit must be shown on the Veterinary Certificate of Health issued by the Official Veterinary Services of the country of origin.
- (v) The animal must come on an IATA approved container.
- (vi) The import permit may be cancelled without any compensation at any time in case of disease outbreak or suspicion of disease in the country of export.
- (vii) **THE ANIMAL WILL BE QUARANTINED FOR A MINIMUM PERIOD OF FIVE WORKING DAYS OR A MINIMUM PERIOD OF ONE MONTH DEPENDING ON THE COUNTRY OF ORIGIN AT DIVISION OF VETERINARY SERVICES, REDUIT, MAURITIUS.**
- (viii) Date and time of arrival and flight number should be communicated to this Office at least three days prior to arrival.
- (ix) **The animal will be permitted to land in Mauritius after it has been examined and found healthy by the Principal Agricultural Officer (Vet Services) or his**

representative. In case landing is not allowed, it will be returned to the country of origin at the Importer's expense or otherwise put to sleep (euthanasia).

- (x) Entry of animals in Mauritius is highly regulated. An import permit issued by the Division of Veterinary services, the Competent Authority in Mauritius, is compulsory

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to import animals to the country. Individuals must strictly comply with the conditions in the import permit. Illegal entry of animals will not be tolerated. Defaulters are liable to be prosecuted under the present legislation in force in Mauritius.