REPUBLIC OF MAURITIUS

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PROPOSAL/GUIDELINES TO BRING DOG/CAT TO MAURITIUS

Note to passengers:

Anyone who wish to bring to Mauritius a pet (dog, cat, bird etc...) should apply and obtain an Import Permit from the Ministry of Agro-Industry and Food Security, Division of Veterinary Services, three to six months prior to departure, depending on their residential country.

***No animal should be embarked for Mauritius without an authorisation from the Division of Veterinary Services, Ministry of Agro-Industry and Food Security.

Contact us on moa-dvs@govmu.org for more detail.

*Breed not allowed into Mauritius:

- (i) American Pit Bull Terrier
- (ii) American Staffordshire Terrier
- (iii) Staffordshire Terrier
- (iv) Blue Nose Pit Bull
- (v) Red Nose Pit Bull
- (vi) Japanese Tosa
- (vii) Dogo Argentino
- (viii) Fila Brasileiro
- (ix) Boerboel.

How to apply for an Import Permit.

The application should be accompanied by

A motivation letter specifying the purpose of the visit to Mauritius. Also state
whether you are a Mauritian resident returning home permanently or on holidays
and how long you have stayed abroad, a breeder or otherwise. If you are an

expatriate, send copy of your resident permit / occupation permit, and specify the length of your stay in Mauritius.

- 2. A certificate of sterilization of your dog/cat.
- 3. Copy of vaccination book of the pet.

After approval of your request from the Import Permit committee, all information concerning import of your pet, treatments and tests to be done will be sent to you.

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).
- (2) Availability of kennel/cattery at the Quarantine Station.
- (3) Payment of import fee of Rs 500 per animal and veterinary clearance fee of Rs 500, as applicable at time of application.
- (4) In case of importation by cargo, coordinates of local broker, for clearance purposes.

Prior to arrival

At least four days before arrival of the dog/cat, you should inform the time of arrival and flight number to this office by email 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.

Post arrival

- Rent of kennel/cattery Rs15 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

Feeding & other necessity

Food for dog and cat must be provided by individual owner, and in case of cat, litter must also be provided.