

## IMPORT REQUIREMENTS TO IMPORT DOGS AND CATS INTO BRAZIL

Health import paperwork required for the Import of dogs and cats into Brazil

**Import Permit:** Pets entering Brazil do NOT require an import permit

**Health Certificate:** Original International Health Certificate issued or endorsed by the Official Veterinarian Service in the country of origin. If origin is USA a specific HC is needed (LATAM will provide this certificate that is USDA approved).

### Specific Requirements

- The International Health Certificate must mention the country of origin and the country of destination (Brazil).
- The Health certificate must mention that the animal has been examined within 10 (ten) days before traveling to Brazil and did not show signs of clinical diseases of the specie.
- The Health Certificate for animals from countries that officially have OIE or Rift Fever or African Horse Sickness present, the certificate shall also contain the following information:  
occurrences must also mention: there was not an occurrence of an outbreak of these two listed diseases in the last 3 (three) years and within 50 (fifty) km and the animals did not travel or stay in places affected by these diseases, in the last 3 (three) years.

### General Requirements

- The International Health Certificate must have been issued no longer than 10 (ten) days before arrival to Brazil. There is no obligation of rabies serology (blood test) for cats and dogs imported to Brazil.
- Internal and external parasites treatment within 15 days is required, the certificate must describe the active ingredient of the product and the commercial name of the medication used.
- If the Health Certificate does not present the Portuguese, English or/and Spanish version, an official translation may be ordered.
- Legalization is necessary only from countries that require the same procedure from Brazil.

Animals arriving at Brazil without the Health Certificate or with an inaccurate or incomplete International Health Certificate will be sent back to the country of origin, at the expense of the importer.

**Rabies Vaccine:** Certificate for Rabies vaccination (for animals older than three months, rabies vaccination is mandatory)

In case of first immunization against rabies, the owner of the animal must wait at least 30 (thirty) days before travelling to Brazil; In cases of booster rabies vaccine, the vaccine should have been applied for more than thirty days but less than eleven months of date of arrival in Brazil

Animals under to 3 (three) months of age cannot enter Brazil

Information mandatory in the Certificate for Rabies vaccination:

Owner identification and address, animal identification, breed, sex, date of birth, coating color and size and a particular sign of the animal

## MAIN AIRPORTS

### GRU

São Paulo Int'l Airport (Cumbica)

<http://www.infraero.gov.br/index.php/br/aeroportos/sao-paulo/aeroporto-internacional-de-sao-paulo.html>

Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock and Food Supply: 24 hours (issue of health certificates only Monday-Friday 9:00 – 12:00 / 14:00 – 17:00 at Cargo Terminal)  
+55 11 2445-5956

Customs: 24 hours - Pets can often spend hours in export storage waiting by the staff on duty, so it is important to confirm in advance information on the ETA for customs clearance

### GIG

Rio de Janeiro Int'l Airport (Galeão)

<http://www.infraero.gov.br/index.php/br/aeroportos/rio-de-janeiro/aeroporto-internacional-do-rio-de-janeiro.html>

Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock and Food Supply: 24 hours (issue of health certificates: Monday-Friday)  
+55 21 3398-6275

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