

KINGDOM OF BAHRAIN DOG & CAT IMPORT REQUIREMENTS

Please note all Dogs & Cats must be documented as being 3+ months old.

VACCINATIONS:

In addition to historic and recorded vaccinations, the pet(s) must also have been vaccinated within the last 12 months or a minimum of 4 weeks before entering Bahrain. This is a Ministry requirement and these vaccines should ideally be boosted yearly whilst in Bahrain. You will also need to be aware of any additional requirement which may be applied by the country of departure/origin before Export Health Certification can be issued i.e. some countries will only permit pet's to depart after 30 days and within 6 months of the last applied Rabies & Core vaccines.

Bahrain requires proof of the following minimum vaccinations:

DOGS - Rabies, DHPPi +L (Distemper, Hepatitis, Leptospirosis, Parvovirosis, Parainfluenza)

- Dogs must have had a minimum of 1x dose of all these vaccinations.
- Puppies must have had a minimum of 1x dose of all these vaccinations. The first core vaccine dose may be given when 2 months old & the Rabies vaccine dose given when 3+ months old.

CATS - Rabies, Tri-cat (Feline Rhinotracheitis, Calicivirus & Panieukopnia)

- Cats must have had a minimum of 1x dose of all these vaccinations.
- Kittens must have had a minimum of 1x dose of all of these vaccinations. The first core vaccine
 dose may be given when 2 months old & the Rabies vaccine dose given when 3+ months old.

Please ensure the veterinarian vaccinating the pet(s) places the standard vaccination phial stickers (manufacturer supplied with each vaccination) in the pet's passport / booklet / card / certificates as without the official stickers it can be difficult to obtain an Import Permit if detail is not clearly legible. Vet Signature, date & Practise stamp are required too.

MICROCHIP:

Must be ISO compliant (15-digit and 10-digit Alpha/Numeric). The implant date & location should be provided in the Pet Passport or Vaccination Record Booklet / Card or Vaccination Certificate along with the Vet's Signature and Veterinary Practise Stamp.

All dogs & cats arriving from countries <u>not</u> considered "Rabies Clear" will require Rabies Neutralising Antibody Titre Test (RNATT) certification from an approved / accredited laboratory showing a Rabies Antibody result equal to or greater than 0.5IU/ml, by FAVN test. Countries considered "Rabies Clear" are reviewed regularly (OIE) though an Official Listing is not currently available. Blood sampling would normally be taken no less than 30 days after the pet has received a primary Rabies Vaccination and RNATT certification will remain valid for 1 year only from the sample date in accordance with GCC country requirements. A recognised laboratory signature or Government authentication endorsement stamp will be needed on RNATT certification.

BANNED BREEDS:

In addition to Wolf derivatives, Bahrain currently lists the following prohibited canine breeds;

- Pit Bulls
 - o Staffordshire Bull Terrier
 - o American Pit Bull Terrier
 - o American Staffordshire Terrier
 - o American Bully
 - Any Mixed Breed of the Pit Bull breed of dog or their Hybrid
- Mastiff Dogs
 - o Brazilian Mastiff
 - o Argentina Mastiff
 - o Any Mixed Breed of the Mastiff breed of dog or their Hybrid
- Tosa
 - Japanese Tosa or Hybrid
- Presa
 - Presa Canario or Hybrid

CREDENTIALS NEEDED FOR PROCURRING AN IMPORT PERMIT

When satisfied the pet's details, microchip data, vaccinations and RNATT Certification (if applicable) are in order, please email & attach a clear scan all relevant pages of the pet's Passport / Vaccination Record Booklet / Card / Certificates to info@delmonpetsrelocators.com

Please allow up to 3 days for us to apply for an Import Permit and physically procure from Bahrain's Animal Wealth Directorate and additionally be satisfied information provided includes:

- Pet details name, species, breed, date of birth/age, sex, colour, short or longhaired etc;
- Microchip / tattoo number mandatory
- Owner's name, contact & residence details if known & approximate arrival date.

Please note: An Import Permit for a pet(s), which must arrive as "manifested cargo", will be procured in the name of Delmon Pets Relocators to exactly match the Air waybill consignee for Customs Clearance purposes.

Passenger Accompanied pets are not permitted at Bahrain International Airport.

Import Permit - required for In transit purposes whether pet(s) arrival by land/sea/air.

EXPORT HEALTH CERTIFICATE:

The original Export Health Certificate issued and/or approved by a Government / Ministry Veterinarian from the pet's country of departure, normally within 10 days of arrival, must accompany each pet arriving to Bahrain.

An Official Authority/Government body in the Country of Origin must issue the Export Health Certificate or if issued by an authorised private vet a recognised Government body in the Country of Origin must authenticate validity (Official Stamp, date & Signature).

Whilst a Vet from the Government's Veterinary Quarantine attends the airport on a 24/7-365 basis it is unlikely to find a Clearing Agent working between 22:30 – 08:00 daily. If there is choice pet arrivals to Bahrain International Airport on a Friday & Public Holidays should be avoided.

There is no quarantine requirement in Bahrain for pets arriving with all their vaccinations and original documentation & certification. Should documents not be in order the pet(s) may, at the owner's expense, be either held at Bahrain International Airport or quarantined until the matter is resolved or be reexported back to origin.

CLEARANCE & COLLECTION:

Arriving as manifested cargo – our staff we will meet your pets(s) on arrival, arrange Custom Clearance via a Licensed Clearing Agent with a Government Vet in attendance, settle Customs import duty, airport terminal & handling fees, and cargo collect & transfer of your pet(s) to either your residence (location details & contact telephone numbers will be needed) or Delmon Boarding Kennel/Cattery subject to prior & confirmed booking arrangements. If Boarding is required, Dog's must have proof of a KC/Kennel Cough application at least 10-days prior to arrival/boarding.

Please note – original documentation (except the Import Permit which we hold) must arrive with the pet. Copy documents will not be accepted by Customs and the Government Vet for Clearance purposes.

The Air Waybill must be prepaid & consigned to;

DELMON PETS RELOCATORS, BUILDING 1078, AVENUE 60, BARBAR 530, KINGDOM OF BAHRAIN

Contact Tel: +973 39729868 / 17691095

Our Address details are;

Physical address: Building 1078, Road 60, Block 530, Barbar, Bahrain

Postal address: P.O. Box 18225, Manama, Bahrain

Arrival Docs: Original "State Issued" Export Health Certificate / original vaccination

documents / copy Import Permit / original RNATT Certificate (if required).

Should you be using the services of a Pet Relocation Company or an agent in your country of departure simply pass our details to them and request they contact us directly info@delmonpetsrelocators.com

IMPORT SERVICES OFFERED BY DELMON PETS RELOCATORS:

- Import Permit application & procurement
- Each permit is valid for 30 days from date issue and will include need for RNATT Certification as appropriate
- Import Permit Courier Service physical addresses only
- Customs Clearance & Collection In case of documentation /Air Waybill / Vet Inspection difficulty or irregularity causing unnecessary delay, additional waiting time per hour will be charged
- Airport to Residence or Delmon Boarding Kennels Transfer rates are applied for the use of one vehicle only. Rates double if two vehicles are required due to either the quantity of pets imported and/or physical crate sizes
- Non business hours arrivals from 16:01 to 22:30 attract additional service charges

IMPORT FEES & CHARGES – we settle payments in advance.

Custom's – to Ministry of the Interior Clearance – to our licensed agent Bahrain Airport Services – for cargo handling & security

PAYMENT:

For personal customers we will accept cash payment of all fees / charges in full against an original invoice when your pet(s) is either transferred to your residence or at Kennels Reception when collected by the owner from Delmon Boarding Kennels, Barbar.

For customers whose arrangements will be settled by a relocator in their home country we require payment of all fees / charges in cleared funds (bank to bank transfer – details available on request) at least 10 days ahead of scheduled flight arrival.

