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TRAVELING TO GUAM CHECKLIST & HELPFUL INFORMATION:

Determine if your pet should move to Guam:

- ⇒ Very old, very young (less than 9 weeks of age), chronically ill or debilitated, or pets that experience difficulty in hot climates should not be imported into Guam
- ⇒ Pregnant animals, past 45 days' gestations, are prohibited entry into quarantine
- ⇒ Persons importing pets into Guam do so at their own risk. The owner assumes all liability by presenting the animal for quarantine.
- ⇒ Skunks, wolves, raccoons, ferrets and rodents are prohibited entry into Guam

*Administer **rabies vaccine** if pet is not up to date:*

- ⇒ Because Guam is rabies-free, all dogs and cats 90 days of age or older at the time of entry **must be vaccinated against rabies** with an approved monovalent inactivated rabies vaccine, or recombinant vaccine
 - Pets need to have at least **two rabies vaccine** certificates separated by at least **30 days**:
 - One current certificate:** given **no less than 30 days** and **no more than 12 months** before arrival to Guam
 - One previous certificate:** given **not less than 3 months** of age except according to manufacturer's recommendations

*Purchase an **airline-approved crate** and acclimate your pet to it:*

- ⇒ Crate must meet U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) and International Air Transport Association (IATA) requirements
- ⇒ Approved and reliable Options:
 - **Petmate Sky Kennel**
 - **Petmate Ultra Vari Kennel**
 - **PP80, PP85, and PP90 kennels**
- ⇒ It's very important to make sure your pet is accustomed to being in a crate designed for airline travel. It's crucial that your pet is comfortable and feels secure in their crate to reduce stress during their trip:
 - Get the travel crate as far in advance as possible
 - Have your pet spend time in the crate each day
 - Have your pet spend time in the crate while in a moving car

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Review **“Travel Options”** in **Guide 1** to help you determine your pet shipping options

Confirm that your airport of choice allows pet shipments

Book quarantine/boarding facility:

⇒ **Andersen Animal Quarantine & Kennel Facility**

Phone: (671) 366-5020

Email: 36fss.fsct.petlodge@us.af.mil, Anita.Keremius@us.af.mil, and/or Syomi.Dodd@us.af.mil

Andersen Air Force Base, Guam

<https://www.militarymwr Guam.com/programs/024b1e5e-c1c1-427e-ba35-99df1caf90a6>

⇒ **Harper Valley Kennels**

Phone: (671) 477-8381

Email: harperkennels@guam.net

133 Manibusan Lane, Chalan Pago, Guam

www.harpervet.net

⇒ **Animal Medical Clinic**

Phone: (671) 637-8387

1961 Army Drive, Tamuning, GU 96913

<https://amcguam.com/>

Entry Permit Application to Guam Department of Agriculture (DOAG) (at least 60 days out, but ASAP):

- Fill out **“DOAG Application for Entry Permit”** in Files
If you don’t have exact dates, just fill in what you know. They will update your file as you provide additional information.
- Purchase a money order/ certified check/ cashier’s check of **\$65.00 per pet** (\$60 for permit plus \$5 for license) payable to **“Treasurer of Guam”**. Cash and personal checks **not accepted**. Mail directly to DOAG:

*Guam Department of Agriculture
163 Dairy Road
Mangilao, Guam 96913*
- Email the **Entry Permit Application*** and your pet’s **Quarantine Reservation Confirmation*** to: gu.agri@yahoo.com

Note: The DOAG has a tendency to “lose” payments and/or documents. As a work-around, there is a separate document in Files named **“Guam Military Pet Helpers”** with a list of people willing to hand-deliver payment, etc. to DOAG for you. Please contact them directly to make arrangements.

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*If not already, get your pet **microchipped***

- ⇒ Must be done prior to OIE-FAVN bloodwork being drawn! Microchip number must be on the FAVN lab results.
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*Ask your vet to submit **OIE-FAVN blood sample** to an authorized lab* (omit if coming from HI or Japan)*

- ⇒ This is a rabies blood test (requiring 1-3 mL of serum) that determines if dogs and cats have responded adequately to rabies vaccination (required prior to arrival to qualify for the 5 days or less quarantine)
- ⇒ Must be conducted **no less than 90 days** and **no more than 12 months** prior to arrival in Guam.
- ⇒ Result of **0.5 I.U. per mL** of rabies antibodies or greater is required
- ⇒ Give your vet the contact information of who the lab needs to send results to – **Guam Department of Agriculture** (AND Hawaii Department of Agriculture ONLY if you have a layover in Hawaii)
- ⇒ **Microchip number MUST be on official FAVN lab results**
- ⇒ Failure to meet required OIE-FAVN test will result in 120-day quarantine.
- ⇒ Your pet will need to fulfill one of the following quarantine scenarios. The **best-case scenario**, and what this checklist prepares you and your pet for, is to **qualify for the 5 day or less** quarantine, or the **exempt from quarantine** confinement:
 - **Exempt from quarantine:** pet is moving to Guam from an exempt country (Japan, Hawaii, British Isles, Australia, New Zealand) and has been there for at least 120 days

Affidavit for Export (Files): Pet owners with animals originating from a designated rabies-free area must submit an affidavit for export or certificate of origin. This certifies that the dog or cat was not outside the area of origin during the 4-month period immediately preceding the date of shipment. The affidavit needs to also certify that the animal has not been vaccinated with a modified live rabies virus vaccine during the 4 months immediately prior to the date of shipment.

Entry requirements can be completed prior to arrival and pet may be allowed to leave the airport with you.

Owners with pets arriving from exempt areas must contact **Guam Customs and Quarantine** to schedule for clearance at the port of entry. Contact number: (671) 642-8071/2. There is a fee for this process.

- **Five (5) days or less with Home Quarantine on Guam:**

Pet originated from mainland United States for 120 days or more or owner is military personnel located on military installations.

Pet received all required vaccinations, microchip, FAVN test, etc.

FAVN titer **meets or exceeds 1.0 I.U.**

Requires vet clearance after arrival

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After 5 days or less of quarantine, pet can be transferred to home quarantine for the remainder of the 120 days of total quarantine.

- **Calculated quarantine:** pet has completed all requirements and has a rabies FAVN titer of at least **0.5 I.U. to 0.99 I.U.** – pet only has to spend as many days in quarantine as required to reach 120 total days since the FAVN blood sample reached the lab.
- **Full 120-day quarantine:** pet is arriving from a non-exempt area and fails to pass or complete the FAVN testing and other requirements.

⇒ Authorized Labs*:

- **The Rabies Laboratory**
Kansas State University
2005 Research Park Circle
Manhattan, Kansas 66502
Phone: 785-532-4483
Website: <http://www.vet.k-state.edu/depts/dmp/service/rabies/index.htm>
- **Research Institute for Animal Science & Biochemistry & Toxicology**
3-7-11 Hashimotodai, Sagamihara
229-1132 Japan, Kanagawa, Japan
If you have questions, please contact the laboratory telephone at 81-42-762-2775
- **Food Analysis & Diagnostic Laboratory**
Attn. MCVS-LAB
2472 Schofield Road, Bldg. 2632
Fort Sam Houston, Texas 78234

Verify lab submitted FAVN results to Guam Department of Agriculture (& Hawaii Department of Agriculture (HDOA) if importing into Hawaii – during COVID, this is everyone who enters Hawaii)

*Have vet administer **any missing vaccines:***

- Required Dog Vaccinations (vaccinated **not less than 10 days** before departure nor **expired**)
 - Canine distemper virus
 - Canine infectious hepatitis virus or canine adenovirus-2
 - Canine parvovirus
 - Canine parainfluenza virus
 - Bordetella bronchiseptica (kennel cough)
 - Leptospirosis
- Required Cat Vaccinations (vaccinated **not less than 10 days** before departure nor **expired**)
 - Feline panleukopenia virus (feline viral enteritis)
 - Feline viral rhinotracheitis (feline herpesvirus-1)
 - Feline Calicivirus

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Complete heartworm test

- ⇒ Dogs must be tested for heartworms **not more than 14 days prior** to shipment to determine if monthly heartworm preventive medication can be safely administered. While on Guam, all dogs should remain on heartworm prevention on a monthly basis
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*Ask vet to complete **health certificate** no more than 10 days prior to **ARRIVAL** in Guam -
Recommended 5-6 days in case of last-minute flight changes)

- Have vet complete DD Form 2209 or APHIS Form 7001 (Cannot be the downloadable 7001)
- **Original document** must accompany the animal on their flight
- Health certificate must bear an **original or stamped signature** with legible name, address, and telephone number of the certifying veterinarian. Digital signatures not accepted.
- Health certificates must contain:
 - Complete description of the animal (age, markings, sex, breed, body weight, and any additional identifying characteristics)
 - “Mixed” or similar wording is not acceptable for breed. Indicate the nearest approximate breed.
 - “Terrier” also not allowed – must specify what kind of terrier

Vet’s statement certifying the following: 1) If determined to be so affected, the animal has been treated to remove internal (helminths and heartworms) and external parasites (fleas and ticks) within 14 days of arrival to Guam. 2) The date of any parasite treatment. 3) The name of the product(s) used and how it was applied

Certification that the animal is free of any evidence of infectious or contagious disease (to include heartworm testing/treatment information)

Certification by the issuing vet to the accuracy of the information stated on the health certificate

Microchip number and the date of implantation

Name, serial or lot number, expiration date of the lot, and date of rabies vaccination

Submit health certificate to Guam Department of Agriculture (DOAG) **via email** at gu.agri@yahoo.com or FAX 671-734-6569

Receive approved entry permit from DOAG via email

- ⇒ Expect to receive an approved entry permit within a few days of your pet’s flight, and allow 2-3 business days from submission of documents to receive it. If you don’t receive your entry permit on the weekday prior to your flight (Guam time), email DOAG with “**URGENT**” in the subject line and/or from a different email address

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Attach entry permit, vaccine records, health certificate, & contact information to kennel (*optional for rotator transit)

Prepare kennel for transit (see Guide 3 on [“Crate Preparation”](#))

Ready to Ship!

HELPFUL TIPS

Make copies of everything before mailing originals

Make hotel reservations at a pet-friendly hotel (call to verify your particular pet is accepted) as early as you can

Ensure **ALL** numbers on your **pet’s microchip number** match exactly on the **FAVN paperwork** and **entry permit**. Double check the day of the blood draw. If the vet writes the microchip number incorrectly on the FAVN labs, it can **void the results** and you may need to start all over.

While an IPATA is not required for most situations, they can be extremely helpful. See www.ipata.org for a full list of registered IPATA’s, and be sure to search for your import location (not your current location) when trying to find one.

UNITED PETS SAFE THROUGH HAWAII DURING COVID SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS:

- ⇒ Typically, United PetSafe requires an IPATA for **cargo** pet travel. Currently, you are **not required** to obtain an IPATA because United PetSafe is **only** transporting pets as **“excess baggage”** for military members traveling on orders between Honolulu (HNL) and Guam (GUM). An IPATA is not required for excess baggage.
 - Complete **Hawaii Department of Agriculture (HDOA) Checklist** in Files
 - Complete Dog & Cat Import Form AQS-279
https://hdoa.hawaii.gov/ai/files/2019/08/AQS279-2020_8.21.2019.pdf
 - If you are using an IPATA, fill out block 7 with their information
 - Put an IPATA name in block 7 even if you are not planning on using one. That way if something happens, they’re already listed as approved to pick up your pet. Adding them doesn’t imply any kind of obligation to use them.
 - Make copies of and/or scan and save digital copies of rabies certificates (current and previous). You must mail originals to HDOA.
 - 10 days or more prior to arrival in Hawaii, submit documents and payment (\$185) to HDOA for import.
- ⇒ Email militarypetsafe@united.com to add your pet to your already purchased ticket. This can only be done **48 hours – 10 days prior to your flight**. In your email, include a scanned copy of:
 - A completed and signed **PetSafe Customer Acknowledgement Form**
 - Health certificate** signed by a licensed veterinarian within 10 days of travel

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A digital photo of your pet (showing their face) to verify breed
A digital photo of the pet's travel crate for review.

- Make sure you are given a **journey number** for flight confirmation
 - Plan for a **minimum 8-hour layover** in Hawaii (overnight is best) OR **minimum 6-hour layover** if you hire a pet agent to handle retrieval and re-checking the pet at the airport
 - Need **2 original health certificates** (one for Hawaii and one for Guam) dated within 10 days of travel.
- ⇒ If you are transferring from another airline, **you must collect your pet and transfer to the other carrier**. United **does not** transfer to other carriers. They also will not retrieve pets from quarantine for you. *HDOA will likely tell you that United WILL do these things, but they **WILL NOT**.