

Overview

If traveling from the US the USDA requires the APHIS 7001 to be endorsed by your USDA vet for animal exports. International health certificates for the export of animals from the United States are completed by the APHIS accredited veterinarian who certifies animal health status, conducts tests, and records test results for the individual animals being exported. Completed and signed international health certificates for the export of animals from the United States must be endorsed by a Veterinary Services area office in order to be valid. To obtain the USDA endorsement of an international health certificate or any other documents relating to traveling with your pet, the documents must be completed by an APHIS/USDA Accredited Veterinarian.

Steps to Using Form 7001:

1. Veterinarian Information

You must locate a USDA-Accredited veterinarian in your area. You need to verify prior to your appointment that your vet has the 7001 form. If not, your USDA accredited vet will have to request the form from your state's veterinary service office.

Carefully review the pet import regulations and requirements for the country you are traveling to find out when you need to visit your vet to get the health certificate issued. This is usually done within a specific amount of time. It is also a good idea to double check the airline's documentation requirements as well.

2. 7001 Form Documentation Review

Verify the accuracy of all information contained on your 7001 form and make sure everything is correct and matches your pet's information. If using a pet shipping company like Life Unleashed, we will review all of your paperwork before proceeding for USDA endorsement and approval.

3. Submitting Your 7001 Form & Paperwork

Either make an appointment at your local USDA Vet service office if practical or else mail/Fed Ex your form. You should call in advance and pre-arrange your payment. It is also advised to enclose a self-addressed Fed Ex overnight envelope so your paperwork is returned as soon as possible.