

Guidelines for the Importation of Live Pet Animals to the Philippines

FOR DOGS AND CATS

1. Apply for an import permit with the Animal Health Division (AHD), Bureau of Animal Industry (BAI) by writing a letter addressed to the BAI director containing the following information:

- a. species and breed of animal
- b. sex, color and number of pets
- c. expected date of arrival

The BAI address and contact number is:

Animal Health Division*
Bureau of Animal Industry
Visayas Avenue, Diliman, Quezon City, Philippines
Telephone no. (632) 928 2743; Fax no. (632) 928 2836
Website: www.bai.da.gov.ph

**Always inquire for new rates on inspection fees*

2. If the number of animals to be brought to the Philippines exceeds five, the animals have to be inspected at quarantine site.
3. Issuance and inspection fees are 50 pesos and 165 pesos for the first two heads and 220 pesos for each succeeding head, respectively. Payment may be made upon arrival at the Veterinary Quarantine Unit, Ninoy Aquino International Airport.
4. A valid health certificate (issued shortly before shipment) from the country of origin must be presented upon arrival.

The permit is good for 2 months. Extension for another month may be requested before the permit's expiry date.

FOR EXOTIC ANIMALS

1. Apply for an import permit as in A, number 1.
2. Arrange schedule with AHD for inspection of the quarantine site.
3. A CITES certification issued by the Parks and Wildlife Bureau shall be presented.
4. Issuance and inspection fees are 40 pesos and 10 to 50 pesos per head (depending on the size of the animal), respectively.
5. A valid health certificate from the country of origin shall be presented upon arrival.

Plant Quarantine Services:
Bureau of Plant Industry
612 San Andres, Malate, Manila
Tel. No.: (632) 404 0409
Fax. No.: (632) 521 7650 Email: bpinir@info.com.ph

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