Federal Department of Home Affairs FDHA
Federal Food Safety and
Veterinary Office FSVO

International

Application to import or reimport a dog, cat or ferret from rabies risk countries

1 Applicant	
Last name:	First name:
Address:	
PC/town:	Country:
E-mail:	
Numbers of previous import authorisations:	
2 Details of import	
☐short-term (short stay/holiday in Switzerland)	
☐final (household relocation) ☐ final (other reasons)→ reason:	
☐ reimport (after spending time in a country with a risk of rabies)	
Dateof entry:	Entry via: ☐ Zurich ☐ Geneva☐ Basel airport
3 Address in country with risk of rabies	
Last name:	First name:
Address:	
PC/town:	Country:
E-mail:	Tel./Fax:
4 Destination address (if different from adress of applicant)	
Last name:	First name:
Address:	
PC/town:	Country:
E-mail:	Tel./Fax:
5 Details of animal	
Species: Dog Cat Ferret Breed:	
Country of birth: Date of	birth: Sex: ☐ F ☐ M
Number of microchip/tattoo:	
Date ofimplantation/tattooing:	
6 Rabies vaccinations and antibody titre test	
Date of last vaccination: Valid until:	Dateof blood sample:
Date of vaccination before blood sample:	Previous vaccinations:
By signing I confirm that the details given above are correct and that: I have read and understood the explanatory notes relating to the application (see page 2) I have already had personal contact with the animal in the case of a final import due to other reasons (see point 2 above) I am the lawful owner the animal will be accompanied on entry by myself or by a person authorised by me the animal will not be sold or otherwise given to another person after entry	
Place, date:	Signature:

Send to: infobew@blv.admin.ch or bypost toFSVO, Schwarzenburgstrasse 155, 3003 Bern

Explanatory notes relating to the application to import or reimport a dog, cat or ferret from a country with a risk of rabies

General information:

- You can find information on the import conditions on the following link: https://www.blv.admin.ch/blv/en/home/tiere/reisen-mit-heimtieren/hunde-katzen-und-frettchen.html
- authorisation is only required to bring an accompanied pet animal (dog, cat or ferret) into Switzerland from a country with a risk of rabies via a Swiss airport (Geneva, Zurich or Basel)
- the application must be submitted at least three weeks prior to the planned arrival
- please complete the form legibly and in full

Documents and proof required:

- one application form per animal
- microchipping certificate with number and date of implantation (tattooing certificate if done before 3 July 2011)
- proof of rabies vaccination(s)
- report from an EU-approved laboratory (antibody titre test, blood sample no earlier than 30 days after vaccination)
- Swiss pet passport (if available and authorisation is to be entered there)
- the FSVO may request further documents if required

Docked dogs and dogs with a short tail:

Importing docked dogs into Switzerland is generally prohibited and is possible only in the following exceptional cases:

- 1) Swiss dog with a cantonal attestation entered in the Swiss pet passport (enclose copy)
- 2) import for holidays or short stays in Switzerland in the company of the animal's owner (resident abroad) or if part of a household relocation. Please contact the Swiss customs authorities in good time to ascertain whether your animal satisfies the criteria for exceptions

Contact: www.ezv.admin.ch, telephone: +41 (0)58 467 15 15

Anyone wishing to import a dog with a congenitally short tail or a tail or ears amputated on medical grounds must first contact the Federal Food Safety and Veterinary Office FSVO (info@blv.admin.ch or BLV, Postfach, 3003 Bern), which will determine whether the animal concerned may enter Switzerland.

See the document "Questions and answers on cropped and docked dogs" at:

https://www.blv.admin.ch/blv/en/home/tiere/reisen-mit-heimtieren/hunde-katzen-und-frettchen.html