

And at arrival to Portugal?

The animals are subject to veterinary checks in an approved Travellers' Point of Entry for compliance with the applicable rules.

If the check shows failure of these rules, the animals are sent back to their origin or, as last resort, the Community Legislation provides for their euthanasia.

Attention

It is mandatory to contact the Travellers' Point of Entry in writing, at least 48 hours before arrival

See Form on DGAV Website

Be aware that:

- When the non-commercial movement of pet animals, is not caused by the movement of the owner, regardless the numbers of pet animals the rules of commercial imports apply. See which in our Website.
- However, for logistical reasons, it is not always possible to keep the pet in the immediate vicinity of the owner/authorized person. It is established that if the movement take place in a period until 5 days before or after the circulation of the owner/authorized person, the conditions of non-commercial movement also apply.
- A passport issued in the EU prior to departure of the animal to a country outside the EU, where they recorded the animal health conditions laid down by the legislation, is valid on return to the EU in replacement to the health certificate, if there is no change of these health conditions (e. g. anti-rabies revaccination).



Information on DGAV Website
You can also contact us to:
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National Travellers' Points of Entry		
Airports	Ports	Contacts
Lisbon		+351 919 551 607 pcf lisboa@dgav.pt
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Travelling to Portugal with Pets

Dogs, Cats and Ferrets

From Countries Outside the European Union (EU)



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Are you travelling with your pet dog, cat or ferret from countries outside the EU?

Learn that you can only enter in Portugal with these animals if:

- You are the owner/authorized person on behalf of the owner and the animals are not intended to sale or to transfer of ownership;
- They are no more than 5 animals in total. If they are more than 5 animals, trade rules apply. Consult DGAV;
- Have at least 12 weeks of age and at least 21 days have elapsed after the completion of the Protocol of the first vaccine against rabies;
- Are properly identified and protected against rabies;
- Have specific health documentation.



Attention

Portugal does not authorised the entry of **YOUNG** dogs, cats and ferrets coming from countries outside the European Union with less than **12 weeks old** or between **12 and 16 weeks old** and with anti-rabies vaccinations less than **12 days**.



So what are the rules to be met?

1. Be identified with microchip

A tattoo is admitted under specific conditions, consult DGAV.

2. Be vaccinated against rabies and:

- Have at least 12 weeks of age on the date of the first vaccine;
- The date of administration of the vaccine does not precede the date of application or reading (registered) of the microchip;
- The period of validity of the first vaccine never starts before 21 days after the completion of the vaccination protocol and any revaccination is carried out within the period of validity of the previous vaccination.

3. They performed a blood test to verify the sufficient number of antibodies for rabies.

This analysis is not required from some countries outside the EU. See which in our Website.

The test is:

- Performed on a blood sample collected at least 30 days after the date of the first vaccination or at any time in the case of a valid revaccination, may travel only three months after the collection, except if they return to the EU and the test was done before they leave the EU;
- Carried out in an approved laboratory (see which in our Website) and with an antibody level equal to or greater than 0,5 IU/ml;

The test is valid until the end of life if vaccination against rabies is always performed within the time limits.

4. Be accompanied by an official health certificate

It is valid for **10 days** from the date of issue until the date of the check. In the case of transport by sea, the period of 10 days may be extended.

See template on our Website.



Attention

These rules do not apply to Andorra, Gibraltar, Greenland, Faroe Island, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Monaco, Norway, San Marino, Switzerland and Vatican

Consult DGAV website

