The importance of Other Animals

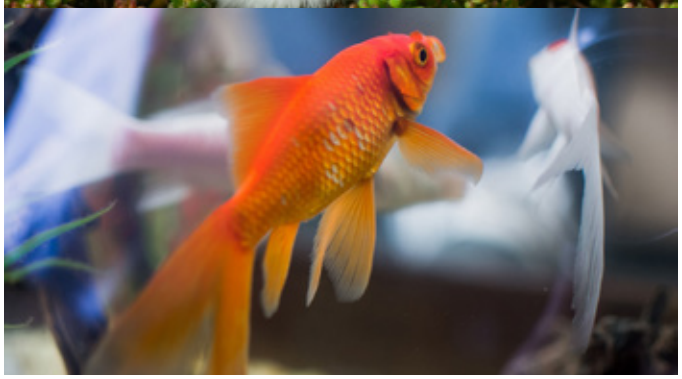
Several scientific studies have already shown that animals do enrich the lives of humans who cherish them. Therefore, the quality of life of pet owners is, to some extent, conditioned by the quality of life of the animals they take care of on a daily basis.

It is common practice nowadays for people to travel with their pets, which are increasingly of different species and in some cases even exotic, it is therefore important not to place unjustified obstacles in the way of such movement, but rather to provide conditions that allow a sufficient level of safety with regard to health risks involved.

Therefore, in order to safeguard public health and also the welfare and health of pets, sanitary and check rules must be established for the movement of species other than dogs, cats, ferrets and birds.

This leaflet has the information that allows you to consider travelling with such pets to Portugal from countries outside the EU.







National Travellers' Points of Entry

See here for the contact details of the Travellers' Points of Entry (e.g. airports).

You have to send certain documentation to the email address of that point of entry.

Documentation sent to other addresses cannot be analysed in time.

Avoid obstacles to your pet's entry.



Data Sheet

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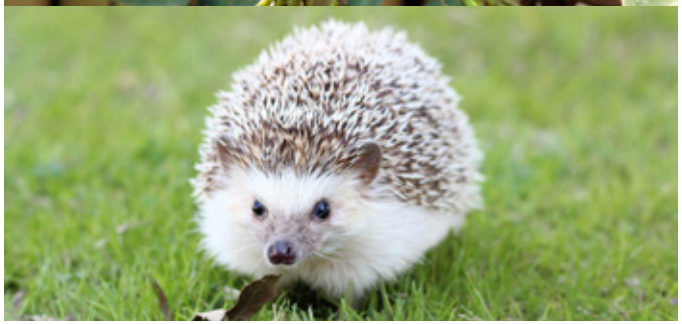
Are you travelling with your Pets (not dogs, cats, ferrets and birds) from countries outside the EU?

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

- With an Authorization delivered by DGAV;
- With specific health documentation:

  Health Certificate (which should include, as applicable, the health conditions required by the Directorate-General for Food and Veterinary - DGAV).





Attention

Pet Animals here mentioned are those travelling with their owners or another person on their behalf up to a number of 5 and not intended for sale or transferred to another owner.

If travelling with more than 5 animals of the same species check DGAV website.

And at arrival to Portugal?

These animals are checked in Travellers' Points of Entry (e.g. airports)

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

Attention

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

See Form on DGAV Website

Pay attention that:

- The entry of live animals in Portugal requires the intervention of the National Institute for Nature Conservation and Forest, **ICNF**.
- Check the **Company Carrier**, with respect to matters relating to the **Transport of the Animal**.
- In most cases **your trip is scheduled in advance. Do the same to obtain information** concerning your pets.

  Remember that it might be done vaccines/analyses to your pets and that can take some time.



Information on DGAV Website
You can also contact us to:
secretariadodim@dgav.pt





Attention

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

Consult DGAV website

