

## **IMPORTING DOMESTIC PETS INTO BAHRAIN**

The following criteria must be met in order to bring a domestic pet into Bahrain:

1. Dogs must have the following vaccinations:
  - Rabies
  - Canine distemper
  - Parvo
  - Hepatitis
  - Leptospira
  
2. Puppies younger than two months must have all of the above vaccinations; additionally, they must be revaccinated two to four weeks later and prior to shipment.
  
3. Cats must have the rabies and tri-cat vaccines. Kittens younger than two months must have all of the above vaccinations; additionally, they must be revaccinated two to four weeks later and prior to shipment.
  
4. The most recent vaccination must have been administered not less than one month but not more than six months before the pet's arrival in Bahrain.
  
5. All vaccinations must be recorded in a vaccination booklet.
  
6. All pets must be kept in secure and comfortable cages or boxes clearly labeled with the owner's name and address.
  
7. Any failure on the part of the owner to follow these steps will result in his/her sole responsibility for the pet's health.
  
8. To obtain an import permit, the owner must complete and sign the attached request form and send it to the Veterinary Quarantine Division in Bahrain (fax# +973-17-643373).
  
9. Please have the completed request form and your pet's vaccination/health certificate with you upon arrival in Bahrain.
  
- 10. Please note: All dogs and cats imported from the United States and Canada will be quarantined for *up to 30 days* even if they have the necessary vaccinations.**

Please address all correspondence to:

Dr. Um Kalthoom Alasseri  
Head of the Veterinary Quarantine Authority  
Animal Wealth Directorate  
POBox 251 Manama  
Kingdom of Bahrain  
Fax: 011-973-17-645215

**MINISTRY OF HOUSING & AGRICULTURE**  
**Veterinary Services Section**

**REQUEST TO IMPORT DOMESTIC ANIMALS**  
(Please complete this form and present it upon entry to Bahrain)

Name of Applicant.....

Address of Applicant.....

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Country of Animal's Origin.....

Date of Initial Entry to Bahrain.....

Description of Animal:      Species.....

   Breed.....

   Sex.....

   Age.....

   Number.....

   Vaccinations.....

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Imported animals are subject to the following conditions:

1. An animal imported from a country reported to have rabies will be quarantined for a minimum of 30 days.
2. The feeding and caring of quarantined animals is the sole responsibility of the owner.
3. The Ministry does not assume any responsibility for an animal's death while in quarantine, nor does it assume any responsibility for an animal's remains.
4. The applicant must abide by these rules of quarantine.
5. A fee of BD15 will be assessed for each animal left in quarantine.

**[PLEASE NOTE: Animals younger than three months are not permitted entry into the Kingdom of Bahrain.](#)**

**OWNER'S SIGNATURE.....      DATE.....**

**For Official Use Only:**  
Request accepted / denied

For more information call 00973-17-643373  
or fax 00973-17-645218  
e-mail:

FORM NO. AWD-VS-27