



# agriculture, forestry & fisheries

Department:  
Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries  
REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA

## DIRECTORATE FOOD IMPORT AND EXPORT STANDARDS

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## APPLICATION TO IMPORT DOGS THAT HAVE TRAVELLED INTERNATIONALLY FOR RECREATIONAL PURPOSES

### IMPORTANT NOTICE

1. Please complete this form fully, in **PRINT**, prior to the return thereof.
2. Import permits are valid for a limited period and one consignment only.
3. Imports may only be authorized in writing by issuing a veterinary import permit.
4. Application for a permit must be made at least four weeks prior to introduction.
5. Applicants are advised to phone the permit office if the permit has not been received two weeks after the application was submitted.
6. It is the responsibility of the importer to read and comply with the conditions on the veterinary import permit
7. After completion, return to: Director of Animal Health, Private Bag X138, Pretoria, 0001 or **Fax: +27 12 329-8292/ 319 7644** or **Email: [VetPermits@daff.gov.za](mailto:VetPermits@daff.gov.za)**
8. Original veterinary certificates must be made available at port of entry only and need not accompany this application, unless it is specifically requested.
9. **Proof of payment** must accompany the application form.

***NB: Please note that no Veterinary Import Permit will be issued without the correct and complete information being provided as requested***

### A. IF APPLICATION IS MADE BY AN AGENT <sup>(1)</sup> ON BEHALF OF AN IMPORTER <sup>(2)</sup>, PLEASE PROVIDE:

1. Full names of agent <sup>1</sup>	
2. Registration number (if applicable)	
3. Address of agent	
4. Attach proof in the form of a signed letter (on the importer's letterhead where applicable) stating:	
a). That you are authorised to apply on behalf of that importer AND	
b). That the importer agrees to be bound to all the terms and conditions of this application as well as	
any permission, permit or authorisation issued as a result thereof.	
<b>NO APPLICATION WILL BE CONSIDERED WITHOUT SUCH CONFIRMATION BEING ATTACHED</b>	

<sup>1</sup> "agent" means any person/ entity acting on behalf of the importer.

<sup>2</sup> "importer" (for purpose of this application) means any natural person or legal entity other than the person filling in the form who intends to bring live animals or animal products into South Africa from abroad.

**B. PERSONAL DETAILS**

1. Name and surname			
2. Postal address			
3. Telephone no		4. Fax no	
5. E-mail			
6. Cellphone number			
7. Customs Code			

**C. IMPORT DETAILS**

1. List of dogs to be imported, including name, breed, sex, colour, and microchip numbers (add additional page of details to this application if needed)	
2. The country and part of country to be visited	
3. The port or airport or place from which the animals will be loaded in country visited	
4. The port, airport or place in the Republic through which the animals will be imported	
5. Purpose for travel	
6. Full address of immediate destination in the Republic after off-loading	
7. Full address of final destination in the Republic of South Africa	
8. Date of departure from South Africa	
9. Date of embarkation of the animals for return to the Republic	

**NB: No refunds will be given, if permits are not collected**

**By attesting my signature hereto, I –**

- a. acknowledge that I am conversant with the provisions of the Animal Diseases Act, 1984 (Act 35 of 1984) and the Meat Safety Act (Act 40 of 2000) where applicable, and any regulations promulgated thereunder, as far as it relates to this application and anything contemplated herein\*;**
- b. declare that what I have stated or provided in this application is correct at the time the application is made;**

- c. understand that any false or misleading information provided may lead to my prosecution and/or other legal action taken against me;
- d. realise that if in the opinion of the Department I am willfully providing false or misleading information this may be taken into consideration when considering future applications.
- e. The permit is not transferable and cannot be used by any other importer except the importer specified on the permit.

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Full Names as per ID document

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ID number

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Signature of applicant

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Date

**DO YOU WANT THE PERMITS TO BE:**

COLLECTED - Personal

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COLLECTED - Courier (Importer to make arrangements)

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POSTED

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**\*For a copy of the Animal Diseases Act, 1984 (Act 35 of 1984) visit:**

**<http://www.daff.gov.za/> → Branches→ Agricultural Production, Health & Food Safety→ Animal Health → Import/Export → Legislation → Animal Diseases Act (with all amendments) → The Animal Diseases Act (Act 35 of 1984) (6MB)**