

CDC Process Map for Airlines: How to Respond to Dog Importation Questions from Passengers Booking Flights or At departure

Notes:
 *Age estimates are based on size and appearance; they are general estimates only. Airline should contact the CDC Emergency Operations Center (EOC) at (770) 488-7100 when they have questions about a dog's age or health status.
 †Airlines should contact CDC Emergency Operations Center (EOC) at (770) 488-7100 when there are questions about the validity of documents, concerns for fraud, or uncertainty whether certain forms meet CDC entry requirements. The list of high-risk countries for dog rabies is available at www.cdc.gov/importation/dogs/high-risk-countries.html. CDC-registered animal care facilities are listed at www.cdc.gov/acf. CDC-approved rabies serology laboratories for testing dogs are listed here: www.cdc.gov/rabieslabs.
 ‡There is a waiver process available for airlines that cannot create an AWB. See www.cdc.gov/importation/php/dog-importation-airlines/index.html for steps to request a waiver.
 §Dogs from high-risk countries must be vaccinated for entry into the U.S. If a dog in this category is unvaccinated, it will be denied entry.
 ¶ CDC has set an ongoing transition period for this particular dog category (U.S.-vaccinated, high-risk dogs) which will expire on July 31, 2025.

