

CHECKLIST ONLY FOR RESIDENT DOGS AND CATS ORIGINATING FROM HAWAII AND RETURNING FOR THE 5-DAY-OR-LESS PROGRAM

Only pets residing in Hawaii (and not under quarantine) are eligible for this program. Requirements on the checklist detail specific timing for the rabies vaccinations and testing that must be completed before leaving Hawaii to qualify for this program. ALL steps need to be completed as detailed in order to qualify. If you are unable to meet the following requirements, your pet will undergo quarantine for up to 120 days.

Step 1 RESIDENCY

- My pet is not in quarantine
- My pet will be departing from Hawaii and returning to the State
- I will have a health certificate issued by my veterinarian for my departure from Hawaii. This health certificate must contain my pet's Hawaii address and date of departure.
- I will submit this health certificate to the Rabies Quarantine Branch as proof of my pet originating from Hawaii. (Also see "Step 5, DOCUMENTS" and "Step 6, SUBMISSION OF DOCUMENTS")

Step 2 VACCINATIONS

- My pet has been vaccinated at least twice for rabies in its lifetime.
- The vaccines were administered more than 90 days apart.
- The most recent rabies vaccination was administered before departure in Hawaii and:
 - Not more than 12 months prior to my pet's date of return to Hawaii for a 1-year rabies vaccine or;
 - Not more than 36 months prior to my pet's date of return to Hawaii for a 3-year rabies vaccine.

The most recent rabies vaccination was also administered;

- Not less than 14 days before my pet's date of departure from Hawaii.
- The date and type of rabies vaccine must be indicated on the pet's vaccination and health certificate.

Most Recent Vaccination Date: _____ Type of vaccine (check): 1-year or 3-year

Previous Vaccination Date: _____

Planned date of departure from Hawaii _____

Step 3 MICROCHIP (Microchip number: _____)

- My dog or cat has an electronic microchip implanted (Required before an OIE-FAVN rabies blood test is performed).
- My veterinarian has scanned my pet's microchip to verify that it is working and that the number is correct.
- I understand that if the implanted microchip cannot identify my pet, it will not qualify for either direct airport release or the 5-day-or-less quarantine and will be assigned to 120 days quarantine.

Step 4 OIE-FAVN RABIES BLOOD TEST

Date sample received by Kansas State University (KSU) or DOD laboratory: _____

Planned departure date more than 14 days after KSU or DOD received sample: _____

WARNING! DUE TO VARIABILITY IN THE TIME A TESTING LABORATORY MAY TAKE TO COMPLETE A TEST, IT IS STRONGLY RECOMMENDED THAT THE TEST BE DONE WELL IN ADVANCE OF DEPARTURE AND THAT YOU VERIFY YOUR PET HAS PASSED THE TEST PRIOR TO LEAVING THE STATE. WITHOUT A PASSING TEST RESULT AND COMPLETING THE REQUIRED RABIES VACCINATIONS BEFORE DEPARTURE FROM HAWAII, A PET WILL BE PLACED IN QUARANTINE FOR UP TO 120 DAYS UPON RETURN.

- The day after the laboratory received my pet's blood sample was **not less than 14** days before my pet's date of departure from Hawaii.
- The result of my pet's OIE-FAVN rabies blood test was greater than or equal to 0.5 IU/ml. (passing result)
- A passing result will be valid for 36 months after the day KSU or DOD received the test sample.
- The test was done at an approved lab (Kansas State University or the DOD Food Analysis and Diagnostic Laboratory in Texas)
- I have a copy of this successful blood test result showing my pet's microchip number.** Ask your submitting veterinarian for a copy of the results. Do not contact the laboratory directly.

Step 5 DOCUMENTS

- I have original signature or carbon copy of rabies vaccination certificates for the two most recent rabies vaccinations my pet received (Photocopies are not acceptable).
- The vaccination certificates have the vaccine name, lot or serial number, booster interval, vaccination date and expiration date listed.
- I have the original health certificate in English issued by my veterinarian when my pet departed Hawaii that lists rabies vaccine name, lot or serial number, booster interval, vaccination date and expiration date. This health certificate contains my pet's Hawaii address and date of departure.
- For animals returning to Hawaii more than 14 days after the date of the Hawaii health certificate, I have a second original health certificate in English, issued within 14 days of arrival in Hawaii that lists rabies vaccine name, lot or serial number, booster interval, vaccination date and expiration date.
- My vet has treated my pet for ticks with a product containing Fipronil or an equivalent long-acting product (Revolution® is not acceptable) within 14 days of arrival and the product name and date of treatment is recorded on my health certificate.

Step 6 SUBMISSION OF DOCUMENTS

Date Documents Were Sent: _____

(Send documents and payment to: Rabies Quarantine Branch, Animal Quarantine Station, 99-951 Halawa Valley Street, Aiea, Hawaii 96701.)

Note! Do not send each document in separately. Send all documents (Dog & Cat Import Form, two rabies vaccination certificates, Hawaii issued health certificate and payment) in as a set. Faxes are not accepted!

- I have allowed necessary delivery time to ensure documentation is received by the Rabies Quarantine Branch more than 10 days before my pet is scheduled to arrive in Hawaii for direct release.
- If I didn't send my original health certificate to the Animal Quarantine Branch in advance of my pet's arrival, I will provide it upon arrival at the Airport Animal Quarantine Holding Facility. If I fail to bring the original health certificate (photocopy not acceptable), my pet will not be released.
- Required Documentation:
(The following must be received by the Rabies Quarantine Branch 10 days or more before my pet is scheduled to arrive in Hawaii!)
 - My completed *Dog & Cat Import Form* (AQS-278) must be notarized.
 - My two original rabies vaccination documents with original signatures.
 - Hawaii issued health certificate (See "Step 1 Residency" above).
 - I have paid my fees (\$165 per pet in advance for direct airport release or \$224 for 5-day-or-less program) by cashier's check or money order (no personal checks are accepted). I have included my pet's microchip number with my payment to ensure proper credit. Payable to: **Department of Agriculture.**

- I have sent my documents by mail with return receipt to verify delivery, or by another overnight carrier that provides tracking of my documents.
- I may still pay at the airport however processing will be delayed. Payment by cashier's check or money order is recommended. VISA, MasterCard, traveler's checks and cash will also be accepted upon arrival, but may delay processing time. My payment will be made in full before my pet is released. All payment in excess of fees will receive refunds through the mail in 6 to 8 weeks after a request for refund is made.
- I have copies of necessary qualification documents (health certificate, rabies vaccination records, and blood test result) for myself and to accompany my pet as a backup.

Step 7 OTHER

- I have verified my pet's qualification to participate in the 5-day-or-less program at the Hawaii Department of Agriculture web site: http://www.hawaiiag.org/hdoa/ai_aqs_info.htm

Direct Release at Honolulu International Airport

- I understand that Direct Release is only done at the **Honolulu International Airport**.
- I have arranged for my pet to arrive at the Airport Animal Quarantine Holding Facility at the Honolulu International Airport during normal inspection hours between 8:00 AM and 8:00 PM. I realize that it may take up to one hour or more for the airlines to transport my pet to the Airport Animal Quarantine Holding Facility [Phone: (808) 837-8092] and animals not arriving at the facility during normal inspection hours will not be released at the airport. Posted inspection hours are subject to change.
- I understand that animals on international flights will also need to clear U.S. Customs **before** they may be released from the Airport Animal Quarantine Holding Facility. Please check with your airlines regarding U.S. Customs hours of operation to assure they will be open to process your pet for release.
- If my pet is not picked up that day, it will be transferred to the Animal Quarantine Station at 8:30 AM the following morning and will be entered into the 5-day-or-less program. Fees for the 5-day-or-less program are \$224 per pet.
- I understand my pet will not qualify for direct airport release if ticks or other parasites are found on arrival.
- I understand that direct release at Honolulu International Airport will not be possible when prohibited by Federal airport security advisories. Under those circumstances pets will be released the following day at the Animal Quarantine Station 99-951 Halawa Valley Street, Aiea, Hawaii 96701, phone: (808) 483-7151, during normal office hours:

Monday through Friday: 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM & 1:00 PM to 4:30PM
Saturday, Sunday, State Holidays: 8:00 AM to 10:00 AM & 12:00 PM to 3:30PM

- I understand that an animal may only be released to the consignee identified on the shipmaster's declaration. If I am not traveling with my pet, I have made arrangements with the airlines to consign my pet to the individual who will pick up my pet.
- I understand that it is my responsibility to arrange all transportation for my pet once it is released from the Airport Animal Quarantine Holding Facility in Honolulu.

NOTE! Pet owners should bring baggage carts or other means to transport their crated Pet from the Airport Animal Quarantine Holding Facility to the Inter-Island terminal if traveling on to an outer island after release. There are no carts or porters in the immediate vicinity of the Airport Animal Quarantine Holding Facility.

- Due to Federal security regulations at the Honolulu International Airport, all pets that qualify for direct airport release must be secured in their flight carriers when picked up from the Airport Animal Quarantine Holding Facility until the animal is out of the Airport. **Do not remove your pet from its transport carrier on airport property!**
- I understand that I must notify the Animal Quarantine Station prior to arrival, follow the same procedures, and meet all the requirements each time my pet enters or returns to Hawaii.
- I understand that I will pay a fee of \$165 per pet for direct airport release or \$224 per pet for the 5-day-or-less program each time my pet enters or returns to Hawaii unless it qualifies for subsequent entry fees outlined in: "Re-Entry Fee Requirements".
- 5-Day-or-Less** - Pets arriving between 8:00 PM and 8:00 AM will be transferred to the Animal Quarantine Station and entered under the 5-day-or-less program. The first day of quarantine shall be the day following the date of animal arrival into the State. In this situation, after all necessary documents are received and verified, pets may be picked up at the Animal Quarantine Station, 99-951 Halawa Valley Street, Aiea, Hawaii 96701, phone: (808) 483-7151, during normal office hours:
 - Monday through Friday:** 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM & 1:00 PM to 4:30 PM
 - Saturday, Sunday, State Holidays:** 8:00 AM to 10:00 AM & 12:00 PM to 3:30 PM
- I understand that I will be assessed an additional \$17.80 each day my pet remains at the Animal Quarantine Station beyond its scheduled release date. I will arrange to board my pet at a private facility after its release date.