

Pet Processing Checklist

Microchip (***THIS MUST BE DONE FIRST!***): ISO or ISO compatible chip. (HomeAgain® and AVID® microchips are acceptable). *Include the microchip number on the subsequent rabies and health certificate and FAVN test result form.*

- Rabies Vaccinations (INACTIVATED)**: Most recent vaccination certificate.
- Complete history of two vaccinations...***AFTER MICROCHIPPING.***
 - Most recent vaccination given not less than 30 days and not more than 12 months.
 - Given in series (not less than 30 days between vaccinations) and within their recognized life-span (ie. 1 year vaccine versus a 3 year rabies vaccine) to be considered valid.

Fluorescent Antibody Viral Neutralization (FAVN) Test:
○ ***AFTER MICROCHIPPING AND 2 RABIES VACCINATIONS (INACTIVATED)***

○ *A passing level ≥ 0.5 IU/ml.*

○ Sent to an approved Laboratory:

DOD Veterinary Food Analysis and Diagnostic Laboratory

PHCR-South

2899 Schofield Rd., Building 2630

Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234-7583

Phone: (210) 295-4605/4010/4387

FAX: (210) 270-2559

Kansas State University

Rabies Laboratory

1800 Denison Avenue

Manhattan, KS 66506

Phone: (785) 532-4483

FAX: (785) 532-4522

Advance Notification: Send notification to Port of entry Animal Quarantine Service **as soon as** travel arrangements are known ***AND AFTER THE FIRST 3 STEPS.***

○ Receive Notification Approval

○ Advance Notification Form:

PHCD-J Website:

http://www.usarj.army.mil/organization/vet/r_doc.aspx or

MAFF Website: <http://www.maff.go.jp/aqs/english/index.html>

○ Ports of Entry contact information: <http://www.maff.go.jp/aqs/english/contactus.html>

Health Certificate: Obtain within 10 days of arrival.

○ **Military Veterinarians may use the MDJ OP 2209 (without USDA Certification)**

○ **Civilian Veterinarians: require USDA Certification from a Federal USDA**

Veterinarian (http://www.aphis.usda.gov/animal_health/area_offices/) ; form is valid for 30 days, however, a second 10-day health certificate may be required for the airlines.

Both health and rabies certificates must be endorsed with raised seals.

Age Requirement: Japan discourages importation of dogs and cats < 12 months old. These steps represent the earliest and quickest timeline for puppies and kittens:

○ Microchip and Vaccination at ≥ 91 days old.

○ Vaccination at ≥ 121 days old.

○ FAVN test at ≥ 151 days old.