

Exporting your Dogs or Cats to AUSTRALIA

At New Plymouth Vet Group and St Aubyn Veterinary Clinic we have MPI approved vets to issue export certificates for cats and dogs travelling to Australia.



Enrol yourself with a pet exporter

A list of these can be found on the MPI website: <https://www.mpi.govt.nz/resources-and-forms/registers-and-lists/pet-exporters/>

Ensure your pets are seen by a vet well before your intended flight date

This is to check that they are fit and well, they have a working microchip and that they are up to date with vaccinations.

Has your dog lived in another country?

If your dog has lived in another country (other than Australia) before coming to New Zealand, there will be additional blood tests for *Ehrlichia canis* and *Leishmania infantum* required well before your intended travel date.

Your dog has to have been in New Zealand for a minimum of 21 days before this blood test can be performed.

The results can take up to 3 weeks to return. There are additional fees associated with this.

Has your dog lived in Africa?

If your dog has lived in Africa at any time during its life, they will need to be treated for *Babesia canis*. This product has to be imported into New Zealand and can take up to 60 days from the time of ordering. There are additional fees associated with this.

For more information please refer to the MPI website:

<https://www.mpi.govt.nz/exporting/animals/pets/cats-and-dogs-to-australia/>

- Download the Overseas Market Access Requirements (OMAR) for cats and dogs in Australia.
- Use a registered pet exporter (recommended).
- Get a suitable crate and other provisions for travel.
- Get an export certificate.
- Do you need an owner's statutory declaration?
- Be familiar with the official assurance programme.

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How old is your pet?

Your pet has to be over 8 weeks of age, and (if female) less than 40 days pregnant at the time of travel.

There are breeds that are prohibited for travel to Australia:

Cats:

- Bengal or hybrids of this

Dogs:

- Pit Bull Terrier type,
- American Pit Bull,
- Papanese Tosa,
- Fila Brasileiro,
- Dogo Argentino,
- Perro de Presa Canario or Presa Canario

Book with an export vet within 5 days of the pet's flight date

Our export vets are:

- **Anne Terrill** - New Plymouth Vet Group - (06) 758 4006
- **Gemma Lambourn** - St Aubyn Veterinary Clinic - (06) 751 3000
- **Megan Finlay** - St Aubyn Veterinary Clinic - (06) 751 3000

At this consult, your pet will be examined, the required paperwork will be filled in, and they will be administered flea and worm treatment.

It is important that you bring with you to this appointment: your pet's vaccination books, their flight number and date, and the address in Australia where they will be living.

The cost of the export consult is \$150 per animal, and the cost of the paperwork is \$300 per animal. There will be the additional fee of the flea and worm treatment on top of this.

If the owner of the pet cannot bring the pet for the final export check, another person (the owner's representative) may bring the pet on their behalf. This person must also bring the Owner Statutory Declaration (OSD). This must be downloaded from the MPI website to ensure the most current version is used: <https://www.mpi.govt.nz/resources-and-forms/forms-and-templates/?start=32>

The owner must sign this in front of a Justice of the Peace within 90 days of the date of export.

If you have further questions about exporting your pets,
email MPI: animalexports@mpi.govt.nz

