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Terms and conditions for the importation of pets (Dogs and Cats)

- Obtaining prior permission from the Ministry of Environment, Water, and Agriculture.
- Obtaining the approval of the Saudi Ministry of Interior to import the specified dogs according to the attached requirements.
- All the consignments are subject to the Animal Welfare Act of GCC.
- Cats and dogs are shipped with the passenger or via cargo in the cargo compartment under conditions of (IATA) for transporting pets.
- Cats and dogs must have a permanent electronic chip, and the number of the chip mentioned in the health certificate must match the number of the chip carried by the pet.
- Pregnant cats and dogs in the last third of pregnancy period are not allowed to be imported.
- Cats and dogs should not be less than four months.
- The imported dogs and cats should be accompanied by the following obligatory documents:

➤ **Veterinary Health Certificate**

It must be certified and issued by the competent veterinary authorities of the exporting country, proving that the animal is healthy and free of infectious diseases (viruses, bacteria, and internal and external parasites)

➤ **Immunizations (vaccines) document or passport, including the following:**

- The number of electronic chip of the pet (Microchip).
- Full description of the pet (name/type/gender/date of birth/ a colored copy of the passport of the pet with the vaccines/ any other particular sign).
- The fulfillment of all the other immunizations accredited by the ministry, including:

First: Cats Vaccines.

Triple or quadrennial immunizations (FVRCP) or (Feline 1-HCP) starting from the age of two months including:

1. Feline Viral Rhinotracheitis (Feline Herpesvirus-1 infection)
2. Feline Calicivirus (FCV)
3. Feline Penieleukopenia Virus (Feline Distemper)
4. Chlamydia Psittaci Infection.

Second: Dogs Vaccines.

Quartet or quintet vaccinations (DHPP) or (DAPPV) starting from the age of 6 to 8 weeks including:

1. Canine Distemper (CDV)
2. Infectious Canine Hepatitis (Canine Adenovirus Type 1)
3. Canine Para Influenza Virus (CPIV)
4. Canine Parvovirus (CPV)
5. Leptospirosis.

Notice: The pet should be shipped after the vaccination for a period not exceeding six months and not less than one month.

Ministry of Interior Requirements:

The applicant for importing a dog must be at least 30 years old.

Types of dogs and cats which are not allowed to be imported:

1. Pit bulls:
 - Staffordshire bull terrier.
 - American Pit Bull terrier.
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 - American Bully.
2. Mastiff:
 - Argentinian Mastiff (Dogo Argentino)
 - Brazillian Mastiff (Filla Brasilliero)
 - Any Mastiff or Hybrid.
3. Japanese Tosa.
4. Rottweilers Breed or Hybrid (Rottweilers)
5. Doberman Pinschers.
6. Canario Presa.
7. Boxer.
8. Akita.