International CVIs Step by Step

If at any point, you have questions about the international CVI, the requirements of the receiving country, or other issues related to international travel of animals, please contact your local USDA APHIS Veterinary Services District Office.

Animal owner mentions or asks about international travel for their pet, livestock, or captive wildlife.

Veterinarian or staff advises owner of potential need for CVI based on species and destination.

> If the authorities at destination require the CVI to be completed by an accredited veterinarian, is a veterinarian at the practice accredited for the species involved?

> > **▼** YES

Owner takes your advice, may or may not have contacted consulate or embassy of the country of destination, and schedules an appointment for the CVI.

Offer CVI services to the owner and suggest the owner:

- Contact the consulate or embassy of the country of destination for import information.
- Check out the AVMA resource. Animal Travel and Certificates of Veterinary Inspection.

Veterinarian verifies the import requirements for the country of destination by checking the regulations. If interested in being accredited, visit the National Veterinary Accreditation Program (NVAP) website or contact your NVAP Coordinator to start your accreditation process.

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Provide owner with:

- · Means to contact a veterinarian accredited in the species [e.g., the National Veterinary Accreditation Program (NVAP) website, your NVAP Coordinator, or a referral to a local veterinarian accredited for the species].
- The AVMA resource. Animal Travel and Certificates of Veterinary Inspection.

Is a CVI or health certificate required?

YES

Can the animals qualify for the intended travel?

▼ YES

Owner and veterinarian schedule appointments accordingly to accomplish all veterinary medical prerequisites of the receiving country and ultimately issue the CVI (and dual health certificate if required) if animal qualifies.

If federal endorsement of CVI is required by the receiving country, provide instructions to owner on how to accomplish this within the allotted time fame or offer your shepherding it as part of your CVI services.

Instruct the owner to follow the directions and requirements in the information that the owner received from the consulate or embassy of the country of destination and if applicable, provide owner with contacts for U.S. agencies of oversight (FWS, NOAA, etc.).

Veterinarian should inform owner and not issue the CVI. Owner needs to consider alternatives, including postponing travel until all prerequisites for the animal have been met.



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