



## Notice Regarding Entry of Pets (Dogs, Cats and Ferrets) from Ukraine for all Transport Operators

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- The special arrangements, put in place in February 2022 and from 5 September 2022, to facilitate the movement of non-commercial pets with their owners from **Ukraine**, and for **EU citizens currently in Russia** wishing to return to the EU with their pets in emergency circumstances, have changed from 21 November 2022. These measures only apply to pets accompanied by their owners.
  - From the 21st of November 2022, pets (dogs, cats and ferrets) entering Ireland must be fully compliant with EU regulations, that is:
    - The pet must be microchipped,
    - A rabies vaccine must have been given after 12 weeks of age, and after microchipping,
    - If from Ukraine: a rabies blood test must have been taken at least 30 days after rabies vaccine, and sent to an approved laboratory; the result must show that the vaccine was successful, with a rabies antibody level of at least 0.5 iu/ml,
    - If from Ukraine: there must have been a three-month waiting period after the successful blood test,
    - All dogs must have been given a tapeworm treatment 1-5 days before entry,
    - All pets must be accompanied by either an EU pet passport or health certificate from a government vet in the country of origin. This health certificate must match the exact document linked, other types of health certificates are not acceptable, and it must be in English (or bilingual where English is one of the languages.)
- Please refer to [gov.ie - Pet Travel \(www.gov.ie\)](http://www.gov.ie) for further information.
- Refugees from Ukraine entering Ireland accompanied by their pets **must email the point of entry they will be arriving to in advance.**



- Dublin Airport [petmove@agriculture.gov.ie](mailto:petmove@agriculture.gov.ie) (+353 (0) 87 417 8986)
  - Dublin Port [dubport.petmove@agriculture.gov.ie](mailto:dubport.petmove@agriculture.gov.ie)
  - Shannon Airport [PetsShannon@agriculture.gov.ie](mailto:PetsShannon@agriculture.gov.ie)
  - Cork Airport [corkpetmove@agriculture.gov.ie](mailto:corkpetmove@agriculture.gov.ie)
  - Ringaskiddy Port, Cork [corkpetmove@agriculture.gov.ie](mailto:corkpetmove@agriculture.gov.ie)
  - Rosslare Europort [Rosslare.Europort@agriculture.gov.ie](mailto:Rosslare.Europort@agriculture.gov.ie)
- **On arrival, any pets from Ukraine must be presented to Department staff in the point of entry, along with any relevant documentation.**
  - If a pet is non-compliant, then the pet will be placed in official isolation with the cost borne by the pet owner. The pet may be held in official isolation away from their owners for a period of up to 4 months. The owner will also be liable for any transport costs associated with bringing a pet to and from official isolation facilities.
  - The cost for the designated quarantine premises is as follows:
    - €15 per pet, per night spent in a designated quarantine premises
    - €25 transportation fee
  - It is extremely important that the Department is made aware of any pets arriving from Ukraine in order to assess disease risk. **Details of the owner, including their name, email, phone number and address must be sent to:**  
[UkrainePets@agriculture.gov.ie](mailto:UkrainePets@agriculture.gov.ie)
  - **Please note that these measures in place only apply to accompanied pets from Ukraine.**
  - All other movements of animals (unaccompanied, commercial, unknown origin, stray animals, animals from shelters etc) that do not meet regular requirements for entry, **cannot** be accepted into Ireland without full compliance with legislatively prescribed health certification.

***Animal Health Division***