

This job aid provides airlines with step-by-step guidance in how to review a CDC Import Dog Permit.

As of July 14, 2021, there is a [temporary suspension](#) for dogs imported from countries that CDC considers [high risk for dog rabies](#). This includes dogs arriving from countries NOT at high risk if the dogs have been in any high-risk country during the previous 6 months. Dogs from [high-risk countries](#) may be imported **only with:**

- A valid-US-issued [rabies vaccination certificate](#) (dog must be healthy, microchipped, at least 6 months of age, and arrive at an approved POE*). See "How to Review a US-issued Rabies Vaccination Certificate" job aid. **OR**
- A valid [CDC Dog Import Permit](#) (if importer is eligible to apply)

Steps to Review a Permit

- 1. Ensure CDC logo, QR code†, and permit number are included.**
- 2. Confirm the permit number has not expired** (ensure the permit is not presented after the valid period). Dates are formatted as MM/DD/YYYY. For example, July 14, 2021 is formatted as 07/14/2021.
- 3. Verify the dog presented to the airline agents matches the description on the permit.**
- 4. Confirm arrival information.** The arrival date can be different than the flight date due to changes in travel plans. Simply confirm travel is occurring while the permit is valid.

Permit Elements

CDC Logo (Step 1)

PHS Permit Number (Step 1)

QR code† (Step 1)

Period Permit is Valid (Step 2)

Dog Identification (Step 3)

Arrival Information (Step 4)

*Approved POEs include all 18 airports with a CDC quarantine station. These will serve as approved POEs throughout the entire suspension.
 †Airlines are not expected to scan the QR code, although CDC is working to get airlines access to scan.

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Permit to Conditionally Import a Dog into the United States - Single Entry
 In accordance with 42 CFR Section 71.51 of the Public Health Service Foreign Quarantine Regulations, permission is granted to the applicant to import the dog (listed in item 3 below) into the specified port of entry under control of the United States.

PHS Permit Number	4701-21-145-0001 If QR code not visible, see email attachment.
Permit valid:	11/06/2021-12/06/2021
1. Applicant Name, Address, Contact Information	Name: Lilah Dyer Address: 150 Wag Ave Atlanta, GA 30333 Phone: (404) 123-4567 Email: lilah@cdc.gov Passport #: 1234567 United States
2. Authorized Permit Holder, Address, Contact Information	Name: Lilah Dyer Address: 150 Wag Ave Atlanta, GA 30333 Phone: (404) 123-4567 Email: lilah@cdc.gov Passport #: 1234567 United States
3. Identification of Dog	Date of Birth: 06/14/2020 Breed: Other/Mixed (please specify) Sex: Female Neutered Color: Apricot / White Microchip: 1234567891234568 Rabies Vaccination: 10/06/2021
4. Arrival Information	Country of Origin: Turkey US Port of Entry: Atlanta Mode of Entry: Air
5. Approved Confinement Location	150 Wag Ave Atlanta, GA 30333 Dog may not be moved from the approved confinement location (except to go to a veterinary facility for medical treatment or vaccination) until the conditions of issuance in item 6 below are satisfied.
6. Conditions of Issuance	No restrictions. The above restrictions are imposed under section 71.51 Title 42, Code of Federal Regulations, and compliance is necessary before the dog is released from confinement." Confinement" as used above, means restriction of an animal, by the owner or his/her agent, to a building or other enclosure isolated from people and other animals (except for contact necessary for its care); if the dog is allowed out of said enclosure, muzzle the dog and keep it on a leash. NOTICE TO PERMITEE: Criminal penalties may be imposed for violating regulations enacted under 42 U.S.C. § 264. Under 42 U.S.C. § 271, as enhanced by 18 U.S.C. §§3559 & 3571, individuals violating a quarantine regulation may be sentenced to one year in jail and/or a maximum fine of \$100,000, if the violation does not result in a death or \$250,000, if the violation results in a death. Violations by an organization are punishable by a maximum fine of up to \$200,000 per violation, if the violation does not result in a death, or \$500,000 per violation, if the violation results in a death.
7. Issuing Public Health Officer	 Clive M. Brown, MBBS, MPH, MSc, DTM&H (London) Chief, Quarantine and Border Health Services

Additional Resources

- [High-Risk Dog Ban Federal Register Notice](#)
- [FAQs: Dogs from High-Risk Countries](#)
- [High-Risk Countries for Dog Rabies](#)
- [Bringing a Dog into the United States](#)



Contact the [CDC Quarantine Station](#) with jurisdiction.



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