



European
Joint
Support Unit

Pets and Registering Dogs

Hamburg





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If you intend to bring your pet to Germany, you must include the details on your housing application form (Form 1132). You will be given guidance on the German Law regarding the keeping of pets and in respect of certain breeds that are banned in Germany.

You can no longer use a pet passport issued in Great Britain (England, Wales and Scotland) for travel to an EU country or Northern Ireland. You can still use a pet passport issued in an EU country or Northern Ireland.

When travelling to an EU country or Northern Ireland, your pet needs:

- a microchip
- a valid rabies vaccination
- an animal health certificate unless you have a pet passport issued in an EU country or Northern Ireland
- tapeworm treatment for dogs if you're travelling directly to Finland, Ireland, Northern Ireland, Norway or Malta

These requirements also apply to assistance dogs.

Repeat trips to an EU country or Northern Ireland

Your pet will need a new animal health certificate for each trip to an EU country or Northern Ireland.

Your pet will not need a repeat rabies vaccination so long as it's rabies vaccinations are up to date.

You can enter or return to Great Britain with your pet cat, dog or ferret if it:

- has been microchipped
- has a pet passport or health certificate
- has been vaccinated against rabies - it will also need a blood test if you're travelling from an country that is not 'listed'

Dogs must also usually have a tapeworm treatment.

Your pet may be put into quarantine for up to 4 months if you do not follow these rules - or refused entry if you travelled by sea. You're responsible for any fees or charges

Once you are living in Europe your UK issued pet passports can be exchanged for an EU pet passport for a fee by your local vet.

Check the rules of the country you're travelling to for any additional restrictions or requirements before you travel

www.gov.uk/taking-your-pet-abroad

Every pet that comes into Germany must be micro chipped and you must have public liability insurance.