



From 1 July 2023, special arrangements that were previously in place for pets entering Ireland from the Ukraine are no longer valid.

From 1 July 2023, the strict criteria applying to pets from all third countries will apply to pets from Ukraine.

Your pet must arrive in Ireland with you, or within five days before or after you travel, if it is accompanied by a person authorised by you. Your pet must be accompanied by original paperwork. The maximum number of pets that can travel with you is 5 pets.

Please see Ireland's pet travel website at [gov.ie - Pet Travel \(www.gov.ie\)](http://www.gov.ie) for full details.

In summary, pet dogs, cats and ferret must be:

- Microchipped and have a valid rabies vaccination.
- For rabies blood sampling, there is a 30 day wait after rabies vaccination before a blood test can be carried out. If a satisfactory result has been obtained in the blood test, there is a 3 month wait period post blood sampling before the animal can travel to the EU including Ireland.
- If it can be shown that the pet has continuously been in the EU for six months or more, an EU pet passport should accompany the pet with details of the microchip and rabies vaccination included, and a blood test is not required.
- If the pet does not have an EU pet passport, it will require an EU health certificate which must match this model exactly ([CL2013R0577EN0030010.0001_cp 1..1 - f3fe5fe0-c6ed-46c8-9c52-2c7b9b6f3945.pdf \(www.gov.ie\)](https://www.gov.ie/public/CL2013R0577EN0030010.0001_cp_1..1_-_f3fe5fe0-c6ed-46c8-9c52-2c7b9b6f3945.pdf))
- All relevant details must be included in the health cert. The health cert should be completed by a local vet and then signed and endorsed by an official government vet within 10 days of the pet's arrival into Ireland.
- For dogs only, a tapeworm treatment given by a vet is required within 1 and 5 days before arriving in Ireland unless the pet is coming from Norway, Malta or Finland and should also be included in the pet passport or health certificate.
- An advance notice form must be emailed to the point of entry the pet is arriving in to in advance of the movement. This is available at [gov.ie - Advance Notice \(www.gov.ie\)](http://www.gov.ie)

If the pet fails these compliance checks, it may be refused entry into Ireland, or may be placed into quarantine under official control for the necessary tests or vaccinations, for up to six months. These costs will be borne by the pet owner (official isolation, transportation, pet passport, vaccinations etc.), and may be very considerable.

If you have any questions on pet travel after reading, please contact:

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