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Export Live Animals to Jamaica

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Electronic Signature and Digital Endorsement ACCEPTED

For Accredited Veterinarians: Electronic signature ACCEPTED

For APHIS VMO: Digital endorsement ACCEPTED

USDA-accredited veterinarians can electronically issue health certificates and use VEHCS (Veterinary Export Health Certification System) to submit them to USDA for digital endorsement.

USDA can digitally endorse the health certificate and return it electronically.

What This Means for You

Accredited Veterinarians: Use the links below to access or get help with VEHCS. Learn more about [how to issue export health certificates](#).

Animal Owners/Shippers: The endorsed health certificate can be printed out directly from VEHCS and does **not** have to be mailed back to you. The printed, endorsed health certificate must accompany the animal(s) during shipment or

travel.

[VEHCS Help](#) | [VEHCS Guide](#) (7.58 MB) | [VEHCS Login](#)

Live Animal Export Country Requirements [View Requirements](#)

Summary of Requirements

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Cattle

Note: Exporters interested in sending live cattle to Jamaica should request an import permit from the Ministry of Industry Commerce, Agriculture and Fisheries, Veterinary Services Division and follow the instructions provided.

Equine

Note: Exporters interested in sending horses to Jamaica should request an import permit from the Ministry of Industry Commerce, Agriculture and Fisheries, Veterinary Services Division and follow the instructions provided.

Poultry

Note: Jamaica has banned the importation of live birds and hatching eggs originating from counties where detections of Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza (HPAI) have been confirmed in commercial poultry. Please check with your [Veterinary Export Trade Services \(VETS\) Endorsement Office](#) to confirm the HPAI status of the state from which the commodities originate in order to determine eligibility for export.

Exporters interested in sending live poultry to Jamaica should request an import permit from the Ministry of Industry Commerce, Agriculture and Fisheries, Veterinary Services Division and follow the instructions provided.

Sheep and Goats

[Sheep and Goat Protocols](#) (344.8 KB) July 2025

Other Animals

Taking a Pet to Another Country?

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If your species is not listed, the requirements for that species are not known. Exporters who want to ship livestock or germplasm whose requirements are not listed above should have the importer or buyer in the destination country apply for an import permit at the appropriate ministry. This import permit will most likely outline the specific requirements.

Need Help?

USDA-Accredited Veterinarians

Contact a USDA-accredited veterinarian for questions about your destination country's entry requirements for animals (including any needed vaccinations, tests, or treatments) and for issuance of health certificates.

[Find a USDA-Accredited Veterinarian](#)

USDA Endorsement Offices

Contact your nearest APHIS Veterinary Export Trade Services Endorsement Office for questions about endorsing an export health certificate for live animals.

For VEHCS help see the [VEHCS help page](#). Routine APHIS VEHCS processing services are staffed Monday through Friday from 7:00 AM to 4:30 PM Central Time (CT) excluding federal holidays, the time listed in VEHCS reflects GMT.

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Related Resources

- [Frequently Asked Questions About Live Animal Exports](#)
- [VEHCS Login](#)
- [National Veterinary Accreditation Program: Information for Veterinarians](#)
- [Role of the Accredited Veterinarian in International Animal Exports](#)

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