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Export Live Animals to Democratic Republic of Congo

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Electronic Signature **ACCEPTED**; Original Ink Endorsement **REQUIRED**

For Accredited Veterinarians: Electronic signature **ACCEPTED**

For APHIS VMO: Original ink endorsement **REQUIRED**

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

USDA must ink-sign and emboss the health certificate.

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: You can arrange to have your health certificate returned by mail (a prepaid, preaddressed return label must be provided during

certificate submission). The endorsed health certificate—ink-signed and embossed—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

- [Cattle - Health Certificate](#) (422.1 KB) - October 2019
- [Bovine - Embryos - Health Certificate](#) (647.65 KB) - October 2019
- [Bovine - Semen - Health Certificate](#) (616.29 KB) - October 2019

Poultry

Note: The Democratic Republic of Congo has confirmed acceptance of the VS Form 17-6, "Certificate for Poultry or Hatching Eggs for Export" for use in trade of U.S. origin poultry, hatching eggs, and day-old chicks.

- [Poultry and Hatching Eggs - VS Form 17-6](#) (937.87 KB)

Other Animals

Taking a Pet to Another Country?

[Visit Pet Travel](#)

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 the appropriate email below for questions about endorsing an export health certificate for live animals.

In-person appointments and drop-off endorsement services are not available. For best results, accredited veterinarians should submit certificates electronically through the Veterinary Export Health Certification System (VEHCS).

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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[All Contacts](#)

Questions about endorsing an export health certificate for live animals?

Pets

AskVETS@usda.gov

Livestock, including equine, poultry, and wildlife/zoo animals

LivestockExport@usda.gov

Semen, embryos

GermplasmExport@usda.gov

Aquaculture

VETS.RAEF@usda.gov

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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