

A GUIDE TO QUARANTINE IN UNITED KINGDOM

This document is intended as a guide to quarantine conditions in the united Kingdom. It is not an exhaustive nor definitive statement on the subject and Wey Farm Quarantine can accept no liability for errors or omissions.

Its contents are drawn largely from our own Conditions of quarantine boarding and from Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food (M.A.F.F.) **Application for a Licence to Import a Dog or Cat for detention in quarantine form** (ID 1 rev. 4/95) and HM. Customs and Excise **Bringing your pet to the United Kingdom form outside the European Community form** (C5 09078/NJ902/94))

The sections are as follows:

Wey Farm Quarantine Contract and Conditions
MAFF Conditions for Importing
HM. Customs & Excise Conditions for bringing a pet into the United Kingdom

1. CONDITIONS upon which dogs cats and other animals are accepted into Wey Farm Quarantine

1. The charge for boarding animals in quarantine shall be payable within the first 2 months of a arrival, including any charges for vaccinations by a Ministry of Agriculture Veterinary Officer against rabies, Air and Seaport carrying charges, customs clearance and any incidental charges that may occur.
2. A booking is only guaranteed on receipt of £500 plus VAT at the prevailing rate (currently 15%). This deposit is of course taken off Boarding Charges.
3. Wey Farm Quarantine shall be free to employ the services of a Veterinary Officer at any time that Wey Farm Quarantine considers necessary, the owners will be liable for any fees incurred.
4. During the period of quarantine the regulations laid down by the M.A.F F. in relation to quarantine premises shall be observed.
5. The period of quarantine shall be 6 calendar months as stated by the M.A.F.F
6. Whilst every care and consideration is given, animals left in the charge- of Wey Farm: Quarantine will be entirely at the risk of the owner. Wey Farm Quarantine cannot be held liable for the death injury or loss of any animal whilst in its charge.
7. No animal shall be removed from Wey Farm Quarantine by the owner until all charges payable in respect of quarantine shall have been fully paid .
8. The deposit of £500 plus V A.T. to secure a booking is not: refundable should the booking be cancelled, as reservation is made for six months and a cancellation will result in a kennel lying idle.
9. Once an animal is accepted into quarantine kennels, there is no reduction of the full charge for any reason other than the death of the animal. Vaccination fees are not refundable in any circumstances.
10. The Veterinary Officer, appointed by the Ministry of Agriculture, will vaccinate all dogs, cats and other relevant animals against Rabies immediately upon arrival at Wey Farm. All other necessary vaccinations will be given unless valid certificates are in our hands prior to the arrival of the animal or with the animal on arrival. Such vaccinations are at the owner's

expense and in addition to quarantine boarding charges.

11. We reserve the right to change our prices without prior notice and to remind our clients that all prices are subject to the rates of VAT in operation at the time of import.
12. All travel boxes must be removed from Wey Farm Quarantine premises within 1 month of arrival. We reserve the right to dispose of same if not removed by the stated time.

2. MAFF CONDITIONS ATTACHING TO AN IMPORT LICENCE

The appropriate form (ID 1) should be completed by the owner of the animal or an authorised representative and sent to the appropriate Ministry/ Department:

For quarantine in England

Animal Health (Disease Control) Branch A Hook Rise South, Tolworth, Surbiton, Surrey KT6 7NF
Telephone No. 0181 330 4411. Telex: 22203 Fax 0181 337 3840 / 0181 330 1563

For quarantine in Scotland

The Secretary, Animal Health and Welfare Branch Pentland House, 47 Robb's Loan, Edinburgh EH14 1TW Telephone No. 0131 244 6181/6182. Telex 727478 72162. Fax No. 0131 244 6445/6001

For quarantine in Wales

The Secretary, Crown Buildings, Cathays Park, Cardiff CF1 3NQ
Telephone No. 01222 - 825641. Fax No. 01222 8Z3562

The application should reach the appropriate Ministry Department at least 1 month in advance of the animal being landed in Great Britain. Failure to do so may result in the licence not being issued in time.

Personal data may be stored and processed on computer systems. This Ministry complies with the standards set by the Data Protection Act.

The form requires the following:

- Description of the animal
- State dog OR cat and breed
- Approximate age OR Date of birth
- Name
- Colour and distinguishing marks
- Sex
- Weight of animal (kgs)

- Country from which animal is to be brought into Great Britain

- Name Address (in Great Britain) of the owner of the animal including Postcode & Tel No. (inc. STD)

- Address abroad of owner (or representative) to which correspondence, boarding document and red label should be sent (see Condition 2 below)

- Port / Airport of landing in Great Britain

- Name and address of the, authorised carrying agent engaged by the owner and to whom the Licence will be sent (please see Condition 1 below)

- Name and address of the approved quarantine premises at which the owner has arranged for the animal to be accommodated for the required quarantine period

- Approximate date of landing in Great Britain

Condition 1

The animal(s) shall not be moved from the place of landing otherwise by and in the charge of the authorised Carrying Agent and shall be moved by the shortest practicable route to the place of detention specified in the Licence for the purpose of detention and isolation, at the owner's expense, in accordance with the conditions of the Rabies (Importation of Dogs, Cats and Other Mammals) Order 1974 (as amended) for 6 calendar months from the date of landing of the animal(s) or in the event of:

- (a) an outbreak of rabies occurring at the place of detention; or
- (b) the animal(s) sharing accommodation with another animal or other animals and any of those animals dying;

the animal(s) may be detained for such further period as the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food may direct. (Sharing accommodation will only be allowed in prescribed circumstances and provided both the owner of the animals and the Veterinary/ Medical Superintendent of the quarantine premises give a written undertaking to the Ministry that certain conditions will be met. Sharing will only be allowed if prior permission has been given in writing by the Minister.)

During the movement the animal(s) - except for dams and un-weaned litters and animals authorised to share its/their quarantine premises - shall not be allowed to come into contact with any other animal. The Carrying Agent shall be responsible for the safe delivery of the animal(s) at the said authorised place of detention. The animal(s) must not be handed over during transit to the owner or any other person other than the representative of the Carrying Agent.

Condition 2

The animal(s) shall be landed on or within the 6 calendar months immediately following the date specified in the Licence and only if contained in suitable nose-and-paw proof secure container(s) or crate(s). If consigned by air the container(s) or crate(s) must be of the appropriate International Air Transport Association standards and the animal(s) must travel as manifested cargo, in the freight compartment of the aircraft

The relevant IATA design principle is that the container be large enough to permit the animal to stand in a natural position turn around and lie down.

In no circumstances will the animal(s) be allowed to travel in the cabin compartment or as accompanied passenger baggage. Additionally, whether consigned by sea or air, it/they may be embarked or emplaned for a destination in Great Britain only if a boarding document issued by MAFF has been produced to the shipper or airline prior to shipment and a red label (Form ID10) supplied by MAFF has been completed and affixed to the container(s) or crate(s).

Condition 3

During transit between the place of landing and the authorised quarantine premises specified in the licence the animal(s) shall at all times be confined in a suitable container(s) or crate(s) approved by the Carrying Agent also specified in THE LICENCE. The animal(s) shall only be moved by authorised means of transport under the control of the Carrying Agent.

Condition 4 (Dogs and cats only)

As soon as practicable after arrival at the place of detention the animal(s) shall be vaccinated by the Veterinary Superintendent in charge with rabies vaccine as specified by the Minister.

Condition 5 (Dogs and cats only)

At the request of the owner the animal(s) may be licensed to move to another authorised quarantine premise. However, the animal(s) must undergo the first calendar month of quarantine in the premises named overleaf.

Condition 6

In the event of the animal(s) sharing accommodation with another animal or other animals and those animals become

Condition 7

Should the animal(s) to which the Licence relates die or be lost while in Great Britain, the person in charge of the animal(s) shall immediately report the death or loss by telephone or fax to the Secretary, Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food at the address given overleaf.

Condition 8

If the animal(s) dies in quarantine, the Minister may take, or require to be taken such action as is considered necessary to determine whether or not the animal(s) was infected with rabies at the time of death and may dispose of the remains of the animal(s), or require them to be disposed of, in such manner as he thinks fit.

Condition 9

The artificial insemination of any animal(s) detained under the Rabies (Importation of Dogs, Cats and Other Mammals) Order 1974(as amended) whether from animals similarly detained or otherwise, is prohibited. Further, the artificial insemination of any animal not in quarantine from any animal detained under the above-mentioned Order is also prohibited.

Condition 10

Should any animal give birth to young while it is subject to the conditions of the Licence, the offspring will be detained in quarantine for the same period as the dam unless the Ministry directs otherwise.

Condition 11

The Licence must be produced by the person in charge of the animal(s) on their landing at any time on demand for inspection by an Officer of the Ministry or an Officer of H M Customs and Excise or by the Police or county authorities.

Condition 12

If, after the issue of the licence it is, in the opinion of the Ministry impracticable or undesirable for the animal(s) to undergo quarantine at the place of detention specified in the licence, he may require the animal(s) to be detained and isolated at approved premises other than those specified.

Condition 13

Animals may only be landed at the following ports / airports

Ports

Dover Eastern Docks
Hanwich, Parkeston Quay
Hull
Portsmouth
Southampton

Airports

Birmingham
Edinburgh
Gatwick
Glasgow
Heathrow
Leeds
Manchester
Norwich
Prestwick
Belfast

3. **HM. CUSTOMS & EXCISE CONDITIONS FOR BRINGING A PET INTO THE UNITED KINGDOM FROM OUTSIDE THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY**

Form C5 must be completed to declare the pet to Customs and claim any duty and tax free reliefs that may apply. The reliefs and some of the terms used are explained in Customs Notice 3 (Bringing your belongings and Private Motor Vehicle into the United Kingdom from outside the European Community).

Firstly you will need a licence (see the MAFF section in this Guide).

Then complete the Customs and Excise form C5 which requires the following details:

- Your name and date of birth
- Ship's name or aircraft flight number
- Bill of lading or airway bill number
- Place of loading abroad
- Container(s) number
- Place of import
- Date of import
- Place for examination
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- Are you moving your normal home to the UK?
- If so, from which country and how long have you lived there
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- Are you a temporary visitor to UK?
- If so, how long do you intend to remain in UK
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- How long do you intend to keep your pet in UK?
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- Are you a UK resident returning to the UK after a temporary visit outside the EC?
- If so, how long was the visit and to which country
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- Details of pet:
 - Description
 - Country where obtained
 - State if duty/tax free
 - Date obtained
 - Price paid or present value
 - UK import licence number