

## **Animal Care Hospital**

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## **Information for Travelling Pets**

A lot of important information can be found on the Department of Agriculture website. Please read this information carefully.

<http://www.agriculture.gov.ie/index.jsp/file=pets/index.xml>

Your pet needs to be micro chipped.

Your vet needs to apply to the Department of Agriculture on your behalf for a passport (blue booklet).

Your pet needs to be vaccinated against rabies.

**21 days after vaccination** your pet needs a **blood test** to see if he/she has reached the required level of immunity to qualify for the travel scheme. Approximately 5% of pets may fail this blood test and may require further vaccination and blood testing at an additional charge.

Your vet needs to enter all this information into the passport (blue booklet).

**6 months after** a successful blood test your pet may return to Ireland without quarantine.

Your pet needs to be examined by a veterinary surgeon within 24 to 48 hours before returning to Ireland.

A number of diseases exotic to Ireland are present on the continent. We recommend a consultation before you travel to discuss parasite and disease control while your pet is abroad.

There are different regulations within different European countries. We recommend annual vaccination against rabies. If this vaccination is administered after the stated duration of immunity of the vaccine your pet will require further blood testing.

For any further information please contact the Embassy of the country/countries to which you will be travelling.

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