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**FROM:** HQ AMC Scott AFB IL//A4TP//

**TO:** All AMC Air Passenger Terminals and AMC Operated Air Terminals

**SUBJECT:** U.S. Entry Requirements for Dogs

**PURPOSE:** This message supersedes message 24-004P and provides direction on Center of Disease Control (CDC) pet importation requirements into the United States from overseas locations.

**POLICY:** Effective 01 August 2024, all dogs, including service dogs, entering or returning to the United States from an overseas location must adhere to new, specific requirements based on the risk level of the country which the dog is being transported from. Passenger Terminal Agents must be alert to the new requirements and required actions

1. All dogs must meet the following requirements for importation into the United States (including those that left the United States and are returning – regardless of the country they are being imported from.)

Entry Requirements for Dogs from Dog Rabies-free or Low-risk Countries

- Must appear healthy upon arrival to the CONUS.
- Must be at least 6 months of age prior to arrival to the United States.
- Owner must complete CDC Dog Import Form. The CDC Dog Import form is accessible on the CDC's website at <https://cdc-786687.workflowcloud.com/forms/090dc543-7b2f-4538-b2c7-2919d12ecc73>. Upon completion of the form, a receipt will be autogenerated and immediately emailed to the pet owner. **\*\*Passenger Service Agent to verify pet owner possess, electronic or paper, CDC Dog Import Form receipt at check-in. See attached sample form**

Entry Requirements for U.S. Vaccinated Dogs from High-risk Countries

**High-risk Countries list:** (<https://www.cdc.gov/importation/dogs/high-risk-countries.html>)

- Must appear healthy upon arrival to the CONUS.
- Must be at least 6 months old at time of entry or return to the U.S.

- Must have an International Organization of Standardization (ISO) compatible microchip, which was implanted prior to any required rabies vaccinations.
- Must have a valid U.S. issued rabies vaccination form, signed by a USDA Accredited Veterinarian.

Pet Fatality En Route to the U.S. or at a U.S. Port Prior to Admission: **\*\*Passenger Service Agents must brief pet owners of the risk and financial responsibility with the new Risk Acknowledgement Document. See attached.**

- Necropsy of any cat or dog arriving to the CONUS deceased is mandatory.
- Pet owner is responsible for all costs associated with transportation, necropsy, and subsequent infectious disease testing.

2. Please direct comments or suggestions concerning this message to HQ AMC/A4TP via email at: [ORG.AMCA4-71@us.af.mil](mailto:ORG.AMCA4-71@us.af.mil)

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Attachments:

Atch-1 CDC Import Form Receipt

Atch-2 AMC Pets-Risk Acknowledgement Document (RAD) (29 July 24)

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