

INTERNATIONAL HEALTH CERTIFICATE (IHC) – INFORMED CONSENT FORM

Client Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Pet Name: _____

Species/Breed: _____

Age/DOB: _____

Sex/Color/Markings: _____

Microchip Number: _____

Purpose of Visit

I am requesting the preparation and issuance of an International Health Certificate (IHC) for my pet for the purpose of international travel.

Acknowledgment of Requirements and Risks

I understand and acknowledge the following:

1. Accuracy of Information

- All information provided by me (including travel details, pet identification, vaccination history, and destination requirements) must be accurate and complete.
- The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) may reject or delay endorsement of the certificate if any information is incomplete, inaccurate, or inconsistent.

2. USDA Endorsement Process

- I understand that an IHC is not valid for travel until endorsed by the USDA when required by the destination country.
- The veterinary clinic is not responsible for USDA processing times, delays, or rejections.

3. Potential for Delays or Travel Disruptions

- I acknowledge that delays may occur due to:
 - USDA processing timelines
 - Errors or omissions in documentation

- Changes in international import requirements
- These delays may result in:
 - Flight delays or rescheduling
 - Denied boarding
 - Trip cancellation
- I accept full responsibility for any costs or consequences associated with these outcomes.

4. Changing International Requirements

- Import requirements vary by country and may change without notice.
- While the veterinary clinic will make reasonable efforts to comply with current regulations, final responsibility rests with me to verify requirements with airlines, consulates, and destination authorities.

5. Fees and Costs

- I understand that fees for international health certificates may vary based on:
 - Complexity of requirements
 - Number of forms and endorsements needed
 - Laboratory testing, vaccinations, or treatments required
 - USDA endorsement fees and shipping costs
- I agree to pay all applicable fees associated with this service.

6. No Guarantee of Acceptance

- I understand that completion of the IHC by the veterinarian does not guarantee acceptance by:
 - USDA
 - Airlines
 - Destination country authorities

Client Responsibility Statement

I certify that:

- All information I have provided is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.
- I have reviewed or will review destination country requirements.
- I accept full responsibility for any complications, delays, or additional costs arising from errors, regulatory changes, or processing delays.

Authorization

I authorize the veterinary clinic and its veterinarians to:

- Examine my pet
- Prepare and submit the International Health Certificate and supporting documents
- Communicate with the USDA as needed for endorsement

Signatures

Client Signature: _____

Printed Name: _____

Date: _____

Veterinarian/Clinic Representative: _____

Date: _____

Clinic Name: _____

Clinic Contact Information: _____

Please allow adequate time prior to travel for completion, endorsement, and any unforeseen delays.