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| **Checklist for DOGS** |  |  | It is recommended that you contact a professional pet exporter in your country to assist with arranging tests, treatments, flights, import permits, shipping crates, etc. Some airlines require a pet exporter to book flights for animals, as this adds assurance that all requirements will be completed at the appropriate time before departure. |
|  | Check that your dog is eligible for import into New Zealand:   * your country is an approved country for exporting dogs to New Zealand * your dog is not a prohibited dog breed or type, or a hybrid * your dog meets the minimum age, residency, and pregnancy requirements (if applicable) | All dogs | GUIDANCE DOCUMENT: Approved Countries for Cats and Dogs |
|  | Print out the model Veterinary Certificates A & B for your country category (1,2 or 3) | All dogs | GUIDANCE DOCUMENT: Model veterinary certificates |
|  | Get an approved microchip | All dogs | The microchip:  i. Must be implanted before initiating any vaccinations, tests and treatments.  ii. Must be scanned and the number recorded on all vaccination and treatment records, tests and certification. |
|  | Rabies vaccination | For dogs from Category 3 countries only | If this is your pet’s **first (primary) rabies vaccine** it must be given at least six months before shipment and no longer than one year before shipment OR If this is a **booster vaccination**, it must be given within one year of shipment |
|  | Rabies titre test | For dogs from Category 3 countries only | Not less than three months and not more than 24 months before shipment |
|  | Make reservation at quarantine facility | For dogs from all countries *except Australia* | As soon as you know your pet's date of departure Quarantine Facilities for Cats and Dogs |
|  | Apply for an import permit | For dogs from all countries *except Australia* | At least six weeks before shipment  Application Forms |
|  | If you need to bring medication for your dog | All dogs on medication | The completed declaration with a copy of the veterinarian’s prescription label must be provided to a MPI Inspector before or on arrival in New Zealand. Generally up to a three month supply will be given clearance. For further information, contact ACVM. |
|  | First external parasite treatment **AND** first internal parasite treatment | All dogs | In the 30 days before the date of shipment and at least two weeks before the second treatment |
|  | Heartworm test  **AND**  Leptospirosis test or treatment | All dogs  Dogs from all countries *except Australia* | In the 30 days before shipment |
|  | Babesia gibsoni test(s)  **AND**  Brucella canis test  **AND**  Babesia canis treatment or test | Dogs from all countries  Dogs from all countries *except Australia*  Dogs that have resided or travelled in *South Africa* | IFA or ELISA test in the 16 days before shipment **OR** PCR tests on samples collected 30 to 37 days apart with the second sample collected in the 16 days before shipment  Within 16 days of shipment  One injection of imidocarb dipropionate at 7.5 mg/kg IM in the 16 days prior to the date of shipment **OR** IFA or ELISA test within 16 days of shipment **OR** PCR tests on samples collected 30 to 37 days apart with the second sample collected in the 16 days before shipment |
|  | Heartworm treatment **AND** second internal parasite treatment | Dogs from all countries | In the 4 days before to the date of shipment |
|  | Send advance notification of arrival to MPI at port of arrival | All dogs | At least 72 hours before scheduled time of arrival |
|  | Inspection and official certification **AND** second external parasite treatment | All dogs | In the 2 days before shipment Veterinary Certificates A & B must be completed and stamped |