

**VETERINARY HEALTH CERTIFICATE IN RESPECT OF CATS  
FOR EXPORT TO THE REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA**

**ISSUING AUTHORITY:**

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**COUNTRY OF ORIGIN:**

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**A. DESCRIPTION:**

1. Number and Identification of animals:

	BREED	SEX	AGE	COLOUR	NAME/ID no.
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4.					

2. South African Veterinary Import Permit no: \_\_\_\_\_

3. **Origin of animal(s)**

3.1 Name and address of consignor: \_\_\_\_\_

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3.2 Address of premises of origin of animal(s): \_\_\_\_\_

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4. **Destination of animal(s):**

4.1 Name and address of consignee: \_\_\_\_\_

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4.2 Means of transport (flight no/vessel name) \_\_\_\_\_

4.3 Physical address of premises at final destination \_\_\_\_\_

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**B. HEALTH ATTESTATION**

I, \_\_\_\_\_ the undersigned government veterinarian of the Veterinary Administration of the exporting country, certify that the animals described in section A:

1. Have, as far as I can ascertain, either been continuously resident in the exporting country since birth, or have been continuously resident in the exporting country or South Africa for the last six months.

2. Originate from an area which is not under official veterinary restrictions by the Veterinary Administration of the exporting country for any disease to which carnivores are susceptible.

3. Did not, as far as is possible to determine, come into contact with animals infected or suspected of being infected with rabies.

4. Have a valid rabies vaccination, as stipulated below or have been exempted from having rabies vaccination. (See notes on page 2)

Vaccination date of animal being exported to be completed for animals over 3 months

**OR** Vaccination date of mother of animal being exported to be completed for animals under 3 months

	Date	Type of vaccine	Batch no.
1.			
2.			
3.			
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5. Have been examined clinically by an official veterinarian **within 10 days** of export and were found to be free of internal and external parasites, contagious and infectious diseases to which the species is susceptible and fit to travel.

6. Will be shipped in containers which conform to IATA regulations, which will be either new or suitably disinfected and fumigated before loading and are of such a nature that contact with other animals of a lesser health status, en route, is prevented.

Signed at \_\_\_\_\_ on date \_\_\_\_\_

OFFICIAL VETERINARIAN

OFFICIAL STAMP

Signature \_\_\_\_\_  
 Name in print \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
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- Note 1:
- The vaccine used must be a strain of anti-rabies conforming to a potency standard recognised by the World Health Organisation.
  - The animal must have been vaccinated at least 30 days, but not longer than 12 months prior to export in the case of the primary vaccination.
  - Animals under 3 months of age may not be vaccinated and are considered to have a valid vaccination provided the dam of the animal concerned was vaccinated at least 30 days, but not more than 12 months prior to giving birth. NB Such animals must be vaccinated at 3 months of age against rabies, in the Republic of South Africa and the owners must inform the South African Veterinary Authorities.

Note 2: - In the case of cats from the United Kingdom, Australia or New Zealand vaccination against rabies is not required.