

CHECKLIST FOR 5-DAY-OR-LESS PROGRAM

Owners of pets residing in Hawaii please use: "CHECKLIST ONLY FOR RESIDENT DOGS AND CATS DEPARTING FROM HAWAII AND RETURNING FOR THE 5-DAY-OR-LESS PROGRAM"

**All of the listed steps need to be completed in order to qualify for this program.
If your pet cannot meet all of the following requirements, your pet will
undergo quarantine for up to 120 days.**

Step 1 RABIES VACCINATIONS

- My pet has been vaccinated for rabies at least twice in its lifetime.
- These rabies vaccines were administered **more than 90 days** apart.
- The most recent rabies vaccination was done:
 - Not more than the manufacturer's vaccine label duration prior to arrival in Hawaii; (i.e. Not more than 12 months prior to arrival in Hawaii for a 1-year rabies vaccine or; Not more than 36 months prior to arrival in Hawaii for a 3-year rabies vaccine or; Not more than 48 months prior to arrival in Hawaii for a 4-year rabies vaccine.)

The most recent rabies vaccine was also administered:

- Not less than 90 days before my pet's date of arrival in Hawaii.

CAUTION! Two rabies vaccinations are required. The pet's most recent rabies vaccination must not have expired when your pet arrives in Hawaii. Following the most recent rabies vaccination, animals must wait at least **90** days before arriving in Hawaii. If arrival occurs before 90 days have elapsed from the most recent rabies vaccination, the animal is subject to quarantine until 90 days are completed.

- The date and type of vaccine must be indicated on my pet's vaccination and health certificates.

Previous Vaccination Date: _____
Most Recent vaccination Date: _____ (Must be more than 90 days after previous)

Step 2 MICROCHIP

- My dog or cat has an electronic microchip implanted. (Required before an OIE-FAVN rabies blood test is performed). Microchip number: _____
- The microchip has been scanned by my veterinarian to verify it is working and that the microchip number is correct.
- If understand if my pet cannot be identified with a scanned microchip it will not qualify for direct airport release or the 5-day-or-less quarantine and will be assigned to 120 days quarantine instead.

Step 3 OIE-FAVN RABIES BLOOD TEST

- The day after KSU or DOD received my pet's blood sample was **not more than 36 months and not less than 120** days before the date of arrival in Hawaii.

CAUTION! The date the testing laboratory received your pet's sample is NOT the date the blood sample is drawn from your pet. Use of an intermediate laboratory service to transport the sample to KSU or DOD may delay the date KSU or DOD actually receives the sample.

- The result of my pet's blood test was greater than or equal to 0.5 IU/ml.
- The test was done at an approved lab (Kansas State University or the DOD Food Analysis and Diagnostic Laboratory in Texas)
- I have a copy of this successful blood test result showing my pet's microchip number.

Step 4 WAITING PERIOD – Arriving Early Means Disqualification From 5-Day or Less Quarantine and Airport Release!

Following a successful OIE-FAVN test result, dogs & cats must wait at least 120 days before arriving in Hawaii. If arrival occurs before 120 days have elapsed, the animal is subject to quarantine until 120 days are completed to then qualify for the 5-Day-or-Less program.

WARNING! Arriving anytime before the 120-day waiting period has elapsed will result in disqualification of a pet from the 5-day-or-less quarantine program and direct airport release. **IMPORTANT!** : The waiting period begins the day after KSU or DOD received the blood sample for the OIE-FAVN rabies test. The test must also have a result of ≥ 0.5 IU/ml. All pets arriving before the eligible date of entry will be quarantined and assessed \$14.30 each day in addition to applicable program fees. There are no exceptions.

- My pet will arrive in Hawaii more than 120 days (and less than 3 years) after KSU or DOD received my pet's blood sample with a passing result.
- I understand that if my pet has not completed the 120-day waiting period before arriving in Hawaii my pet will not qualify for either direct airport release or the 5-day-or-less quarantine program.

Step 5 DOCUMENTS

WARNING: Except for the health certificate, all other documents must be received by the Rabies Quarantine Branch more than 10 days before a dog or cat is scheduled to arrive in Hawaii for direct airport release.

- I have the original signed or carbon copy, rabies vaccination certificate for the two most recent rabies vaccinations my pet received. (WARNING: Photocopies and unsigned documents are not acceptable)
- The vaccination certificates have the vaccine name, lot or serial number, booster interval, vaccination date and expiration date listed.
- I have an original health certificate in English that was done within 14 days of arrival in Hawaii including rabies vaccine name, booster interval, vaccination date and expiration date.
- My vet has treated my pet for ticks with Fipronil or an equivalent long-acting product (Revolution® is not acceptable) within 14 days of arrival and the product name and date of treatment is recorded on my health certificate.
- I have a copy of the Airport Release Card given to me when my pet was released at the airport on a previous arrival in Hawaii if I am applying for re-entry under the same OIE-FAVN rabies blood test and rabies vaccinations.

Step 6 SUBMISSION OF DOCUMENTS

(Send documents and payment to: Animal Quarantine Branch, 99-951 Halawa Valley Street, Aiea, Hawaii 96701)

NOTE! Do not send documents in separately. Send all documents in a set (Dog & Cat Import Form, two rabies vaccination certificates, etc.) Faxes are not accepted!

- I have allowed necessary delivery time to ensure my documents are received by the Rabies Quarantine Branch **more than 10 days before my pet is scheduled to arrive in Hawaii** for direct airport release.
- If I did not send an original health certificate to the Rabies Quarantine Branch in advance of my pet's arrival when I submitted my other documents, I will provide the health certificate upon arrival at the Airport Animal Quarantine Holding Facility. If I fail to provide an original health certificate (photocopy not acceptable) or the health certificate is more than 14 days old, my pet will not be released.

- Required Documentation:
(Except for the health certificate, all other documents must be received by the Rabies Quarantine Branch **more than 10 days before a dog or cat is scheduled to arrive in Hawaii** for direct airport release)
 - Completed Dog & Cat Import Form AQS-278 (must be notarized);
 - Two (2) original rabies vaccination certificates signed by a veterinarian;
 - Payment of fees (\$165 per pet for Direct Airport Release or \$224 for 5-Day-or-Less Program) by cashier's check or money order (personal checks not accepted) payable to the **Department of Agriculture**. Include pet's microchip number to ensure proper credit; and
 - A copy of the Airport Release Card when the pet was released at the airport on a previous arrival in Hawaii if applying for re-entry under the same OIE-FAVN rabies blood test and rabies vaccinations.
- I have sent my documents by mail with return receipt to verify delivery or by an overnight carrier that provides tracking of documents.
- I may pay at the airport however, processing will be delayed. Cashier's check, money order, Visa and MasterCard are accepted at the Airport Animal Quarantine Holding facility. Payment in full is required before my pet will be released. Payment in excess of fees will be refunded through the mail after 6 to 8 weeks.
- I have copies of necessary qualification documents (health certificate, rabies vaccination records, and blood test result) for myself and to accompany my pet as back up.

Step 7 OTHER

- I have verified my pet's qualification to participate in the 5-day-or-less program at the Hawaii Department of Agriculture web site: http://www.hawaiiag.org/hdoa/ai_aqs_info.htm

DIRECT AIRPORT RELEASE

- I understand that Direct Airport Release is primarily done at Honolulu International Airport.
- If I am applying for Airport Release at Kona International Airport at Keahole, Kahului Airport or Lihue Airport I will follow the "Checklist for Requesting Direct Airport Release at Kona, Kahului and Lihue Airports." I understand that I must apply for a Neighbor Island Inspection Permit **more than 30 days before my intended date of arrival** to qualify to enter at Kona, Kahului or Lihue. (Refer to "Checklist for Requesting Direct Airport Release at Kona, Kahului and Lihue Airports" for additional instructions.)
- I have arranged for my pet to arrive at the Airport Animal Quarantine Holding Facility at Honolulu International Airport during normal inspection hours of 8:00 AM and 8:00 PM. I realize that it may usually take one hour for the airlines to transport my pet to the Airport Animal Quarantine Holding Facility [Phone: (808) 837-8092] and animals not arriving at the facility during normal inspection hours will not be released at the airport. Posted inspection hours are subject to change.
- I understand that animals on international flights will also need to clear U.S. Customs before they may be released from the Airport Animal Quarantine Holding Facility. Please check with your airlines to regarding U.S. Customs' hours of operation to assure they are open to process your pet.
- If my pet is not picked up that day, it will be transferred to the Animal Quarantine Station at 8:30 AM the following morning and will be entered into the 5-day-or-less program. Fees for the 5-day-or-less program are \$224 per pet.
- I understand my pet will not qualify for direct airport release if ticks or other parasites are found at the time of arrival.

- I understand that direct release at Honolulu International Airport will not be possible when prohibited by Federal airport security advisories. Under those circumstances pets will be released the following day at the Animal Quarantine Station 99-951 Halawa Valley Street, Aiea, Hawaii 96701, phone: (808) 483-7151, during normal office hours:

Monday through Friday: 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM & 1:00 PM to 4:30PM
 Saturday, Sunday, State Holidays: 8:00 AM to 10:00 AM & 12:00 PM to 3:30PM

- I understand that an animal may only be released to the consignee identified on the shipmaster's declaration. If I am not traveling with my pet, I have made arrangements with the airlines to consign the animal to the individual who will pick up my pet.

- I understand it is my responsibility to arrange all transportation for my pet once it is released from the Airport Animal Quarantine Holding Facility.

NOTE! Pet owners should bring a baggage cart or other means of transporting their pet within the pet carrier from the Airport Animal Quarantine Holding Facility to the Inter-Island terminal if traveling on to a neighbor island after release of their pet. There are no carts or porters at Airport Animal Quarantine Holding Facility.

- Due to Federal Security regulations at the Honolulu International Airport, all pets that qualify for direct airport release, must be secured in their flight carriers when picked up from the Airport Animal Quarantine Holding Facility until the animal is out of the Airport. **Do not remove your pet from the carrier while on airport property!**

- I understand that I must notify the Animal Quarantine Station prior to arrival, follow the same procedures and meet all the requirements each time my pet enters or returns to Hawaii.

- I understand that I will pay a fee of \$165 for direct airport release or \$224 per pet for 5-Day-or-Less quarantine each time my pet enters or returns to Hawaii unless it qualifies for subsequent re-entry fees outlined in "Re-entry Fee Requirements".

- 5-Day-or-Less** - Pets arriving between 8:00 PM and 8:00 AM will be transferred to the Animal Quarantine Station and entered under the 5-day-or-less program. The first day of quarantine shall be the day following the date of animal arrival into the State. In this situation, after all necessary documents are received and verified; pets may be picked up at the Animal Quarantine Station, 99-951 Halawa Valley Street, Aiea, Hawaii 96701, phone: (808) 483-7151, during normal office hours:

Monday through Friday: 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM & 1:00 PM to 4:30 PM
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- I understand that I will be assessed an additional \$17.80 each day my pet stays at the Animal Quarantine Station beyond its scheduled release date of 5 days.