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Going on a well-prepared visit with your pet to the United Kingdom after Brexit?

Avoid surprises after Brexit when returning from the United Kingdom with your pet. Be well prepared.

There will be no changes to the process of travelling to the United Kingdom with your pet (dog, cats or ferret); you will require the following:

- ✓ valid EU passport
- ✓ ID microchip
- ✓ rabies vaccination
- ✓ tapeworm treatment (for dogs)

When returning with your pet from the United Kingdom to the EU after Brexit, you must meet the following import requirements:

- ✓ valid EU passport
- ✓ ID microchip
- ✓ rabies vaccination
- ✓ blood test proving that your pet is sufficiently protected against rabies

Blood test

If you have the blood test conducted in the United Kingdom, you will have to wait three months before you can travel to the EU with your pet. *This three-month waiting time will not apply if you have the blood test conducted*

in the EU. You are therefore advised to have the test conducted in the Netherlands and to have it recorded in the animal passport.

At present, it is still unclear whether the EU will actually demand the blood test. As it is highly unlikely that the United Kingdom will be included in the list of countries with a low risk of rabies, however, this import requirement will be made mandatory. A pet that does not meet the import requirements will be quarantined upon arrival in the Netherlands.

Are you purchasing a pet in the United Kingdom and taking it to the Netherlands? In that case, ensure that you have proper documentation and that your pet meets the import requirements. Please be aware that animal passports which have been issued in the United Kingdom will no longer be valid in the EU. More information is available at www.nvwa.nl

You can also request more information from your veterinarian.

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