

SYNOPSIS OF IMPORTATION REQUIREMENTS

Sec. §142-4 **ENTRY OF ANIMALS WITHOUT INSPECTION PROHIBITED.** No animal shall be allowed to enter the State except after inspection by the department of agriculture and the issuance of a permit by the department to the consignee or owner; provided that no fees for inspection shall be charged, nor delays caused, concerning the landing of any domestic animal for which a certificate of health has been issued as prescribed by the Federal Cattle Contagious Disease Act. Every carrier, owner, or handler bringing animals into the State shall be required to present these animals to the department of agriculture for inspection.

Sec. §142-4.5 **HEALTH CERTIFICATE.** Any animal entering the State pursuant to this chapter shall be accompanied by a valid health certificate. The health certificate shall include information as to the animal's identification, approximate age, species, and sex if the animal's sex can be practicably and reasonably determined. The animal shall be free of certain internal and external parasites as prescribed by departmental rules. A statement confirming this parasites-free status shall be noted on the health certificate. The animal shall also appear to be free of any infectious or contagious diseases and to the best of the issuing veterinarian's knowledge, shall not have been exposed to any of those diseases. A statement to this effect shall also be noted on the health certificate. In addition to the requirements of this section, any person responsible for any live animal entering the State, shall comply with appropriate departmental rules.

Sec. §142-8 **NOTIFICATION OF ARRIVAL.** The captain of any vessel or aircraft transporting any live animal to any port in this State shall immediately upon arrival in the State notify the department of agriculture. No animal so transported, nor any portion of the food or water nor any effects connected therewith or provided for the animal's use during transit, shall be removed from the wharf or airport until the department has inspected and passed the same. The department, at the owner's or shipper's expense, may require that the animal be moved to a more suitable location for inspection.

CARRIER RESPONSIBILITY

- A. It shall be the responsibility of carriers arriving in the State of Hawaii and of the local managers or agents of carriers that the provisions of this regulation are strictly complied with.
- B. The local manager, agent, or commanding officer of any carrier arriving in the State with animals carried on board shall:
 - (1) Furnish the inspector a Shipmaster's Declaration listing the number of animals carried on board, names and addresses of the owners, importers, consignors, consignees, and port of origin. In addition, all deaths and injuries of animals occurring en route must be described on this form as required by the Division of Animal Industry.
 - (2) Deliver animals destined for entry to the inspector at the Animal Quarantine Holding Facility at the Honolulu International Airport or, if arriving by boat, confine the animals on board the vessel in secure escape-proof crates, as required by the Division of Animal Industry for entry inspection or quarantine; and
 - (3) Confine animals not destined for entry and/or for immediate delivery on board ship or at the airline cargo office or the Humane Society holding facility in secure crates or cages within a locked escape-proof room or compartment.
 - (A) No other animals shall be allowed on board except for shipment to a foreign port outside the State of Hawaii, and once having been placed on board the carrier for shipment to a foreign port, shall be confined and shall not thereafter be removed from the carrier except as directed by the inspector.
 - (B) The manager of the Quarantine Station may, in his discretion order any dog, cat or other carnivore not destined for entry to be impounded at the Animal Quarantine Station.
 - (C) The time spent on board or in an airline cargo office or the Humane Society Holding Facility shall not be credited against the quarantine period.

Complete information regarding importation requirements is available upon request at the:

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