

<p><b>HEALTH          CERTIFICATES</b></p>	<p><b>A dog, cat or nonhuman primate</b> delivered for transportation in commerce by a dealer must be accompanied by a health certificate. [2.78, Policy #18]]</p>
<p><b>Criteria</b></p>	<p>A health certificate is required when a dealer: [2.78(a)]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• delivers a dog, cat or nonhuman primate to a carrier or intermediate handler</li> <li>• transports a dog, cat or nonhuman primate across a state line</li> </ul> <p>NOTE: A dog/cat or nonhuman primate transported <b>within</b> the State and in the dealer’s private vehicle does not require a health certificate. [Policy #18]</p> <p>The health certificate must: [2.78(a)]</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• be issued by a licensed veterinarian</li> <li>• state that the animal was inspected on a specific date              NOTE: This date must be within 10 days prior to delivery of the animal for transport.</li> <li>• state that the animal appeared to be free of any infectious disease or physical abnormality that would endanger the animal, other animals or the general public</li> </ul> <p>The U.S. Interstate and International Certificate of Health Examination for Small Animals (APHIS Form 7001) may be used for the health certification. (See page 13.4.2) [2.78(d)]</p>
<p><b>Exemption</b></p>	<p>The Secretary of Agriculture may provide an exemption to the health certificate requirement on an individual basis for an animal shipped to a research facility when the research facility requires an animal not eligible for a health certificate. [2.78(b)]</p> <p>Requests for an exemption must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• be in writing</li> <li>• contain the reason/justification for the exemption</li> <li>• be sent to:              USDA, APHIS, AC              4700 River Road, Unit 84              Riverdale, MD 20737-1234</li> </ul>