



COVID-19 Guidance on Accompanied Animal Imports

DO NOT travel if you have symptoms of COVID-19.

Always check the most up to date COVID-19 guidelines [here](#).

Please also read the [non-COVID related animal travel information](#).

The following information is for the accompanied importation of animals by the owner(s) or a person holding written authorisation from the owner – not including commercial imports.

Further information can be sought from the States Veterinary Officers for animal imports from outside the common travel area by emailing svo@gov.gg or calling 01481 221161.

Welfare in transport

- Travel time must be kept to a minimum to protect the welfare of animals being transported – if there is poor weather, it is advised that travel is postponed.
- Owners should ensure that the animal is provided with water and comfortable and appropriate accommodation such as crates/pet carriers, including bedding, during transport.

What do I need to do before I travel?

- Make a care plan in the event that you cannot care for your animal for a period of time. You should have:
 - A plan for who might be able to care for your animal in the event of emergency;
 - Written details as to the care, feeding and medical history of your animal;
 - Your vet's contact details.
- Ensure that you have at least 2 weeks supply of animal feed, treats, litter, poo bags, bedding etc.
- If you are travelling to the island with your animal and are required to self-isolate on arrival, you must organise for someone else to care for the animal if it will be situated at a different location to your property e.g. horses located at livery yard/stable.

What happens upon arrival in Guernsey?

- Please see the [COVID-19 Guidance on Bathing Pets & Livestock](#).
- Follow the [Pets and livestock guidance](#) for further information.
- While there is little evidence to suggest pet-human transmission, it is possible for COVID-19 to be passed onto our pets. Therefore we recommend that if you test



positive for COVID-19 you avoid contact with animals, such as kissing, hugging, sharing food etc. to reduce the risk of infecting them.