



### Key Points:

- Begin planning pet travel as soon as possible to ensure all administrative, vaccine, and health requirements.
- Different airlines have different policies for pet travel, and animals requiring travel in cargo may not be permissible during all times of the year.
- Certain travel expenses for your pet may be covered by recent updates to the Joint Travel Regulations.

## Pet Travel Requirements

As soon as you know you're moving to Greece, begin preparing for your pet's entry requirements. The first step is to review the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service's website, *Pet Travel From the United States to Greece*: <https://www.aphis.usda.gov/pet-travel/us-to-another-country-export/pet-travel-us-greece>.

You will find a list of requirements for pet travel from the U.S. to Greece, including microchip, vaccination, and health certificate requirements. Pet owners are responsible for complying with all required documentation, immunizations and border clearance requirements and should be prepared to pay any associated fees. Greece does not require a quarantine period.

### Bringing a Pet Back to the U.S.

As of August 2024, new guidelines were issued by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). For those PCS-ing with pets, it's helpful to understand re-entry requirements as early as possible. Follow these CDC guidance for information.

*Bringing an Animal into the U.S.:* <https://www.cdc.gov/importation/bringing-an-animal-into-the-us/index.html>

*Bringing a Dog into the U.S.:* <https://www.cdc.gov/importation/dogs/index.html>

## Air Travel with Pets

You'll also need information on the requirements for flying with your pet, which vary depending on what airline you use.

Most airlines impose pet embargoes and will not accept pets when temperature limits are exceeded during any part of your itinerary. Ensure your transportation office knows you are bringing your pet to Greece, so they may

help make reservations with your airline for you or direct you to the place to make reservations. Ultimately, travel arrangements for your pet are your responsibility.

Make sure your sponsor knows you are traveling with pets so they can help make a reservation in pet-friendly temporary lodging. The Navy Gateway Inns and Suites on base has limited pet-friendly rooms.

### Pet Travel with Air Mobility Command's (AMC) Patriot Express

If you are flying on Air Mobility Command's Patriot Express, visit their website for information about pet travel requirements. Beginning Jan. 1, 2024, a service member on PCS orders may be authorized reimbursement for the costs related to one household pet that occur from a permanent change of station. Pet travel is not authorized with AMC for Temporary Duty (TDY).

*AMC Pet Travel Information:* <https://www.amc.af.mil/AMC-Travel-Site/AMC-Pet-Travel-Page/>

*AMC Pet Travel Pamphlet:*

[https://cnreuraftcent.cnic.navy.mil/Portals/78/NSA\\_Souda\\_Bay/Documents/AMC%20Pet%20Pamphlet%2001%20Nov%202023.pdf?ver=FJ2TBvtzJHY0TGWaZUrIUQ%3d%3d](https://cnreuraftcent.cnic.navy.mil/Portals/78/NSA_Souda_Bay/Documents/AMC%20Pet%20Pamphlet%2001%20Nov%202023.pdf?ver=FJ2TBvtzJHY0TGWaZUrIUQ%3d%3d)

*AMC Pet Travel Reimbursement:*

[https://cnreuraftcent.cnic.navy.mil/Portals/78/NSA\\_Souda\\_Bay/Documents/Pet%20Reimbursement%20Statement.pdf?ver=qD8ZMzSLGwmjORlgLVomzQ%3d%3d](https://cnreuraftcent.cnic.navy.mil/Portals/78/NSA_Souda_Bay/Documents/Pet%20Reimbursement%20Statement.pdf?ver=qD8ZMzSLGwmjORlgLVomzQ%3d%3d)

### Other Considerations

NSA Souda Bay does not have a veterinary clinic, but there are several Greek veterinary clinics near the installation.

Traveling with your pet within Greece and the rest of Europe, either by land, air or sea, requires a European Union Pet Passport. You can purchase a pet passport at any off-base Greek veterinary clinic. Be sure to bring your pet passport to all of your veterinary appointments in order to update the document at every visit.