

U. S. NAVAL STATION ROTA

Inbound pets, the key points to remember are:
Dangerous Dogs in Spain include Rottweiler's, Pit Bulls, American Staffordshire Terriers, German Shepherds, Dobermans, Chow Chows, Boxers and others have special registration requirements. Owners must obtain a license, and pass a physical; psychological exam. Check w/your airline with specific requirements regarding kennels, as some sizes won't fit on particular aircraft. All pets entering Spain require a health certificate from a licensed veterinarian (preferably, from a DoD vet as they best know the requirements). Health certificates must be on a USDA-approved form, and brought or sent to a Spanish Consult for certification (find address of nearest in Google). Pets 3 months or older require a certificate issued not longer than 10 days prior to departure, and a rabies inoculation certificate issued at least 30 days, but not more than 12 months, prior to departure date. All animals are subject to exam by the Customs' vet at Barajas. **Clearance of animals may be delayed on weekends or after work hours. Pet certificate of health (must be completed within 10 days of travel/PCS, (that is within 10 days of getting your pets on the plane). If not, your pet will be put down in Madrid. Pet transport in embargo season (Pet safe, info can be found here:**

<http://www.continental.com/web/enUS/content/travel/animals/default.aspx>

This service is offered through Continental Airlines)

Helpful USDA link for pet info:

http://www.aphis.usda.gov/animal_welfare/pet_travel/content/wp_c_pet_travel_tips.shtml

Get you pet micro chipped prior to PCS, this is a requirement!IMPORTANT: Make sure your pets shots are up to date, (they will put your animal to sleep if their shots are not up to date. Rabies shot must be within 6 months of travels to Spain, if out of date your pet will be put to sleep. Make sure you have at least 400 Euros on you for the taxi and all the fees you will have to pay that are associated with your pets. When you arrive in Madrid, go to the taxi pick up area and get a vehicle capable of transporting your pets and have them take you to the Cargo de Puerto, this is the first step in locating your animals. You will have to go to the Spanish Vet to notify them that your pet is being held in quarantine, now you will have to pay a fee for the Vet, Customs import fees, and the Quarantine fees. At each step of this evolution they will

tell you what you have to do next, I recommend that you get the taxi cab drive if possible to stay with you and pay him well!!! This will make all the difference. When making flight arrangements that are going through Madrid make sure you have at least a 5 hours of lay over, you will need every minute to locate your pets and go through all the red tape to get them released to you. Once you have your pets you will have to take them to the next air line Service you are traveling on yourself, but before you go up to the counter to check your luggage you will have to pay for their ticket at the ticket purchase counter yourself.