

Notice on the return to the standard rules for non-commercial movement of pets, up to 5 animals, accompanying Ukrainian citizens

The Chief Veterinary Officer informs that, taking into account the position of the European Commission and the assurances of the veterinary authorities of Ukraine about the possibility of meeting EU import requirements, as of July 1, 2023 Poland will waive the application of the simplified rules for the movement of animals accompanying their owners, up to 5 animals, moving from the territory of Ukraine.

From that date, the animals must meet **all** the requirements set out in European Union law:

1. The animals of the species dogs (*Canis lupus familiaris*), cats (*Felis silvestris catus*), ferrets (*Mustela putorius furo*)

The animals of the aforementioned species being moved to the member states of the EU fulfil the following requirements:

- 1) the animal has been properly identified with a microchip
- 2) the animal has been vaccinated against rabies and the vaccine is still valid (<https://www.wetgiw.gov.pl/nadzor-weterynaryjny/szczepienie-na-wsciekliwe>)
- 3) the animal has a current serological test to determine the titre of rabies antibodies (<https://www.wetgiw.gov.pl/nadzor-weterynaryjny/badanie-poziomu-przeciwcial>)
- 4) the animal is accompanied with a health certificate compliant with the model defined in EU law (<https://www.wetgiw.gov.pl/nadzor-weterynaryjny/swiadectwo-zdrowia>), or in certain cases has a valid passport issued by one of the member states of the EU (<https://www.wetgiw.gov.pl/nadzor-weterynaryjny/dokumenty-identyfikacyjne>)

Information is also available on the website: <https://www.wetgiw.gov.pl/nadzor-weterynaryjny/podroz-ze-zwierzetami-towarzyszacymi-z-panstw-trzecich-do-polski>

2. Other animal species moved as companions (birds/avians, rodents, rabbits, amphibians, reptiles, ornamental marine animals, invertebrates)

- a) **birds:** <https://www.wetgiw.gov.pl/nadzor-weterynaryjny/ptaki>
- b) **domestic rabbits:** <https://www.wetgiw.gov.pl/nadzor-weterynaryjny/kroliki-domowe>
- c) **other animals:** <https://www.wetgiw.gov.pl/handel-eksport-import/pozostale-zwierzeta>