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# LANDING FIGURES FOR DOGS AND CATS INTO JERSEY -2012 to 2016

## Part A: Pet Travel Scheme - Background

### 1. Background

- 1.1. The UK and Jersey harmonised with the EU pet travel scheme on 1 January 2012, making it cheaper and easier for UK and Jersey citizens to travel with their pet dogs and cats and return to the UK and Jersey. The EU pet travel scheme places requirements on travelling pets to keep the UK and Jersey free of diseases, specifically rabies and the *Echinococcus multilocularis* (EM) tapeworm. There is free movement between Jersey and the UK.
- 1.2. A number of other EU countries harmonised with the EU rules at the same time creating a single set of pet travel requirements across the EU. At this point the EU decided to review and consolidate the pet travel regime, which has been amended several times since it came into effect in 2004.
- 1.3. The UK was fully involved in the negotiations for a [new EU pet travel Regulation \(576/2013\)](#)<sup>1</sup> which was published in June 2013 and came into effect on 29 December 2014. This Regulation repealed and replaced the existing EU Regulation (998/2003). Controls relating to the EM tapeworm were established under Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) (No 1152/2011) and remain unchanged.

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<sup>1</sup> <http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:L:2013:178:0109:0148:EN:PDF>

1.4. The fundamentals of the pet travel regime will remain the same under the new Regulation and all dogs, cats and ferrets entering the UK and Jersey will still require:

- microchipping
- vaccination against rabies
- a blood test (if travelling to or from an unlisted third country)
- a pet passport (or third country certificate)
- treatment against the EM tapeworm (dogs only)

There are exceptions to this list in certain circumstances. Full details of the preparations required for travel can be found at: [www.gov.je/PetTravel](http://www.gov.je/PetTravel) . If you are planning to travel with your pet it is essential that you read this detailed guidance.

1.5. The EU Regulation introduce a number of changes to the EU pet travel rules. These are designed to strengthen enforcement regimes across the EU and increase levels of compliance. There is also a new pet passport that is more secure and easier to trace. Further information on these changes is included in Part B below.

1.6. The EU pet travel scheme covers the movement of pets with their owners. Animals imported for sale or rehoming must travel under the commercial import regime laid down by the Balai Directive (Directive 92/65/EEC). However, some of the changes described in Part B will apply to pets moving for sale or rehoming from 29 December 2014, because the same anti-rabies preparations (and tapeworm treatments) are required under both regimes.

## **Part B: Information on the EU pet travel Regulation**

### **2. Maximum number of pet animals allowed to travel (Article 5)**

2.1. From 29 December 2014 anyone wishing to travel with more than five pets will have to conform to the requirements of the trade regime, established under the Balai Directive (92/65).

- 2.2. An exemption from this requirement will be introduced for anyone whose pets are aged over 6 months and are travelling to attend a show, competition or sporting event (or training for such an event).
- 2.3. In order to prevent abuse of this scheme the new Regulation requires travellers to provide written evidence of their registration.

### 3. Implantation of microchips (Article 18)

- 3.1. All dogs, cats and ferrets entering the country must be first microchipped. This microchip number provides an objective link between the animal and the pet passport, enabling the pet checker to confirm that the animal described in the passport is the one presented to them for checking. Separate compulsory microchipping UK regulations will also require keepers of dogs imported (including those from Jersey) into England and Wales to register on a database (operating in England and Wales) if the dog is in the country for more than 30 days, or it is transferred to a new keeper.
- 3.2. The pet travel Regulation requires any member state allowing non-veterinarians to implant microchips to lay down the minimum standards to which that person must be trained. UK have confirmed with the EU Commission that this means trained to a required level of competence rather than formally examined and certified. In Jersey an approval is required by non-veterinarians under the Veterinary Surgeons (Jersey) Law 1999.

### 4. Introduction of a new pet passport (Article 21)

- 4.1. A new style pet passport was introduced on 29 December 2014. All passports issued from this date will need to conform to the new format. Passports will continue to be issued to pet owners by those Official Veterinarians (OV) authorised to issue pet passports by the Department of the Environment. **Passports issued before the 29 December 2014 will remain valid for the lifetime of the pet or until they need to be replaced.**
- 4.2. A number of amendments will be made to the passport to improve security and traceability:
  - New laminated strips to cover those pages with the microchip information and each rabies vaccination.
  - A unique passport number that will be printed on each page.
  - The vet who issues the passport will need to provide their full contact details, which will improve the traceability of passports and provide a safeguard against abuse. There is a new page in the passport for the vet to record these details.

- A new 'valid from' date will now need to be completed for all rabies vaccinations (excluding booster vaccinations). This will enable the pet owner to see clearly when the passport will be valid for travel and simplify the compliance checking process.
- The pet owner must sign the passport when it is issued and before the pet travels out of the EU country the passport is issued in.

## **5. Checks on intra-EU movements (Article 33)**

5.1. The UK and Jersey has always checked 100% of pets travelling on approved routes and will continue to do so. However, from the 29 December 2014 **all** EU member states will be required to conduct non-discriminatory checks on pets moving between EU member states. This means that pet owners may have their pets checked for compliance with the EU pet travel rules whilst they are overseas, as well as on their return to the UK and Jersey.

## **6. A new 12 week minimum age for vaccination (Annex III)**

- 6.1. The new EU Regulation lays down a minimum age of 12 weeks for rabies vaccination (for the purposes of pet travel only).
- 6.2. This change has been introduced to create consistency across the EU and assist compliance checking.

## **7. Tighter definition of 'non-commercial movement' (Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 577/2013)**

- 7.1. In order to prevent situations where pets imported for sale or rehoming are disguised as pets to avoid the more onerous commercial rules (established under the Balai Directive) all pets must be accompanied by their owner or by an authorised person.
- 7.2. It is recognised, however, that when people travel by air it is not always possible for them to directly accompany their pet, for example because the pet needs to travel in the hold or on a different flight. The new Regulation clearly addresses this scenario. So long as the movement of the pet and the owner (or authorised person) are within 5 days of each other, the pet will still be considered to be 'accompanied' by its owner (or authorised person). This will only apply to people who are entering the UK (or another EU country) by air on a flight that began outside the EU. A declaration will be required to confirm that where a pet is not travelling with its owner, the movement of the owner or an authorised person took place within five days. For further information please contact the department – details are provided at the top of this document.

## 8. Clearer definition of cat, dog and ferret (Annex I)

8.1. The new EU Regulation specifically states that the only species of pet animal that can travel under the EU pet travel rules are:

- *Canis lupus familiaris* – domestic dog
- *Felis silvestris catus* – domestic cat
- *Mustela putorius furo* – ferret

8.2. The reason for this change is to make sure that wild animals can't be moved under rules designed for pet travel. This change will not affect the majority of pet owners. However, it may have an impact on owners with hybrid pets (such as a Bengal or Savannah cat, or a Wolfdog). These owners are advised to check contact the Department of the Environment.

## 9. Jersey legislation

The EU Regulations are administered and enforced by the Pet Travel Scheme (Jersey) Regulations 2011 and commercial movements under the Balai Directive (92/65) are administered and enforced under the Diseases of Animals (Rabies) (Importation of Mammals) (Jersey) Order 2011.

## Part C: Import figures for 2012 - 2016 for Jersey

### 10. Total Landings

Total landings per year 2012-2016 (figures 2-6) and failures recorded as a percentage (figure 1) are listed below. When pets arrive in Jersey the country the passport or official veterinary health certificate was issued is recorded. No licences had been issued prior to 2015 for any pets being imported for sale or re-homing (Trade). From 2015 the process for importing pets for sale and re-homing has been made clearer.

Of the 209 dogs imported for sale or re-homing that arrived in 2015 they came from: Spain (174); Romania (1), Slovakia (19) and Republic of Ireland (15).

Of the 136 dogs imported for sale or re-homing that arrived in 2016 they came from: Spain (121); Portugal (1), France (1), Republic of Ireland (9) and Poland (4).

## 11. Examples of pets failing the requirements:

- Pet does not have a valid rabies vaccination, pet has not waited 21 days after primary vaccination, booster not given in date, or vaccination has expired.
- Pet does not have a valid treatment against the EM tapeworm (dogs only), the treatment has not been given or is not within the 24-120 hour requirement.
- The rabies vaccination was given before the pet was identified with a microchip.
- In the new passports issued after the 29 December 2014 the rabies vaccination was given before the pet was 12 week old.
- The description of the pet is not completed correctly, no date of birth.
- Pet has not been issued with a pet passport.
- The passport has been completed incorrectly by the issuing authorised veterinarian, for example: rabies vaccination -missing stamp or signature of authorised veterinarian.
- Incorrect microchip number entered in passport.
- In the new passports issued after the 29 December 2014 the security features have not been applied over the identification page or the rabies vaccination stickers.
- The movement is commercial, the pet is being sold or re-homed.
- The pet is unaccompanied by the owner or a person authorised in writing by the owner and the owner has failed to declare the pet will not be sold or re-homed on arrival.
- In the new passports issued after the 29 December 2014 the owner details are not completed correctly, the owner has not signed the passport.
- The microchip could not be read.
- In the new passports issued after the 29 December 2014 the authorised veterinary details are not complete.
- Blood test not valid (for unlisted Third Country pets).

Figure 1

<b>IMPORTATION OF DOGS</b>					
	<b>2012</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2016</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>1913</b>	<b>2085</b>	<b>2139</b>	<b>2546</b>	<b>2285</b>
<b>Pets</b>	<b>1913</b>	<b>2085</b>	<b>2139</b>	<b>2337</b>	<b>2149</b>
<b>Trade</b>				<b>209</b>	<b>136</b>

<b>IMPORTATION OF CATS</b>					
	<b>2012</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2016</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>145</b>	<b>136</b>	<b>131</b>	<b>183</b>	<b>120</b>
<b>Pets</b>	<b>145</b>	<b>136</b>	<b>131</b>	<b>161</b>	<b>110</b>
<b>Trade</b>				<b>22</b>	<b>10</b>

<b>Percentage of failures each year</b>					
	<b>2012</b>	<b>2013</b>	<b>2014</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2016</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>3.06</b>	<b>4.68</b>	<b>2.60</b>	<b>3.81</b>	<b>3.16</b>

Figure 2

2012- Dogs by Country																										
	UK	France	Spain	Belgium	Netherlands	Czech Republic	Germany	Russia	Romania	Greece	South Africa	Switzerland	Slovakia	Denmark	Ireland	Hungary	Poland	Portugal	Luxembourg	Italy	Cyprus	Arab Emirates	Sweden	Finland	Bulgaria	
January	80	17	3			1					3	2					2	1			1					110
February	59	14	1	2					1								3			2		1				83
March	71	25	5					1				1														103
April	183	30	2	1	1	1						1						1								220
May	115	38	5	3	5	3	2			1		1				3		2	1	1	1				1	182
June	149	21	1		2	1	2						1	1	1	1	1	1								182
July	110	35	3	1	1	3	5					2		1	1								2	1		165
August	180	20	1		2	4	3			1				2	1		1		1				2			218
September	171	34	5		2		4					2	2	1			2	3								226
October	131	29	5	1			1			1					1		2	3			12					186
November	90	21	3			2									3		1	1								121
December	69	38	3	2			1							1			1	1		1						117
<b>Totals</b>	<b>1408</b>	<b>322</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1913</b>



## 2012- Cats by Country

	UK	France	Spain	Switzerland	Poland	Denmark	Netherlands	Portugal	Cyprus	Belgium	
January	12	5	3	1	1		1				23
February	6	1	2								9
March	7	6									13
April	4	5									9
May	8	1	2				1		1		13
June	3	4								2	9
July	5	2							1		8
August	4	3									7
September	10	9		1				1			21
October	10	2									12
November	6	1	1								8
December	8	2			1	4			1		16
<b>Totals</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>148</b>

Figure 3

2013- Dogs by Country																											
	UK	France	Spain	Belgium	Netherlands	Czech Republic	Germany	Russia	Romania	Greece	Costa Rica	Switzerland	Slovakia	Bulgaria	Ireland	Hungary	Poland	Portugal	Luxemburg	Italy	Cyprus	Arab Emirates	Sweden	Austria	Andorra		
January	91	20	5				1						1	1			2	7									128
February	65	17	2	1														2									87
March	62	18	4		1							1											1				87
April	199	30	1		2	1	1										1		1	2							238
May	156	37	12	4	4		4			1		2	1		2	1	2										226
June	150	24	6		1		1						1		2		1	1			2	1			1		191
July	167	17	5		2	2	6	1	3			1			1		1	1		1				2			210
August	205	34	11		1	1	19				1	4					1	2			2						281
September	189	38	10	1		2	6					2	1	1		2	2	7	1								262
October	97	21	22	2	1	2	2		1									1									149
November	103	19	17				2								1		1				1						144
December	64	6	5						1			2			1		1	2									82
<b>Totals</b>	<b>1548</b>	<b>281</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2085</b>	

## 2013- Cats by Country

	UK	France	Spain	Greece	Poland	Switzerland	Luxemburg	Portugal	Cyprus	
January	8	1	2		1					12
February	9	6							1	16
March	1	3				1				5
April	4	3								7
May	10		1							11
June	5		1				2			8
July	5	6			1					12
August	9	3						1		13
September	16	8						2	1	27
October	2		1	1	1					5
November	11	1								12
December	7	1								8
<b>Totals</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>136</b>

Figure 4

2014- Dogs by Country																											
	UK	France	Spain	Belgium	Netherlands	Czech Republic	Germany	Finland	Romania	Greece	Italy	Switzerland	Ireland	USA	Slovakia	Denmark	Hungary	Poland	Portugal	Luxemburg	Italy	Cyprus	Denmark	Sweden	Austria	Croatia	
January	64	13	21															1	3		2						104
February	17	3	1									1							2	2			1				27
March	85	13	21			1												1						2			123
April	182	28	7			1	2	1				1					1	1		1							225
May	190	38	17				5		1										5		1	2					259
June	185	17	19	4	3	1	8											3				1		1	1	1	244
July	115	22	25	2			5					1				1	1		1			1					174
August	217	28	9	1	4	1	8						1				1	5	8					1			284
September	174	30	26	1	1		2				2	1	1		1		2	1	4			2	1				249
October	127	23	6							1									5								162
November	102	19	39	4		1	2		1										1					1		2	172
December	65	36	6				1						1	1					3	1							114
<b>Totals</b>	<b>1523</b>	<b>270</b>	<b>197</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2137</b>

## 2014- Cats by Country

	UK	France	Spain	Mexico	Poland	Ireland	USA	Portugal	Cyprus	
January	8	1	1					1		11
February	2									2
March	7		1							8
April	8	1								9
May	14	3	1					2	1	21
June	5	1					1			7
July	9			1						10
August	4	3	1		3					11
September	14	7							1	22
October	7	4	1			1				13
November	2	1			1					4
December	9	4								13
<b>Totals</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>131</b>

Figure 5

2015- Dogs by Country																										
	UK	France	Spain	Belgium	Netherlands	Czech Republic	Germany	Russia	Romania	Switzerland	Ireland	USA	South Africa	Estonia	Slovakia	Denmark	Hungary	Poland	Portugal	Luxemburg	Italy	Cyprus	Sweden	Canada	Malta	
January	102	18	10															3	6				1		1	141
February	65	18	15		1		1												1							101
March	73	21	6			1	2												2		3			3		111
April	205	41	19	5	1		4	1		1		3						3	3	2						288
May	205	26	32		1		4		1	5							1	3								278
June	162	19	5	2		1	4			1			1					2	1							198
July	156	28	17		6		9		18	1					19		2	2	1							259
August	240	36	14	2	1	3	9									2		6	13		2	2				330
September	250	37	47	2			2		1	1								2	5			1				348
October	168	26	10						3		2				2			1	2		1	1	1			217
November	92	22	25	2	1	3								1	1	1		1	2			1				152
December	62	32	18	1			1				1							1	6		1					123
<b>Totals</b>	<b>1780</b>	<b>324</b>	<b>218</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2546</b>

## 2015- Cats by Country

	UK	France	Spain	Romania	Poland	Norway	Netherlands	Portugal	Cyprus	Switzerland	Romania	Ireland	
January	14							2					16
February	6		1										7
March	3	4	1					2				1	11
April	14	1											15
May	13	2			2								17
June	11	1	1										13
July	9	3	1	3	2		1				3		22
August	6				1					1			8
September	8	9			1			1					19
October	7	30	2		1				1				41
November	5	1				1							7
December	5	5											10
<b>Totals</b>	<b>101</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>186</b>

Figure 6

2016- Dogs by Country																								
	UK	Finland	France	Spain	Belgium	Netherlands	Czech Republic	Germany	Poland	Romania	Andorra	Portugal	Switzerland	Ireland	Italy	Luxemburg	Sweden	Hungary	Cyprus	United Arab Emirates	Austria	Slovakia	Denmark	
January	92		13	8		1						7			1		1	1						124
February	63		11	28								3												105
March	62		13	14				2	3			4							1					99
April	155		37	9	3	2			3			8				3		2						222
May	153		14	9	2			6	4						1				1		1			191
June	181	1	28	51			1	3		1	1	4	3				2		1					277
July	154		18	12		1		8	6			4	3				1	1	1					209
August	221		42	21	3	2	2	10	5	1		18	2	1			1							329
September	204		32	10				3	9	1		5	3		1		1	3	1					273
October	175		21	19				2	2	1		2	2		1	1								226
November	67		15	7	1								1	1			1					2		95
December	79		32	14	1	3						3		1						1			1	135
<b>Totals</b>	<b>1606</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>276</b>	<b>202</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2285</b>



2016- Cats by Country												
	UK	Italy	France	Spain	Canada	Poland	Luxembourg	Netherlands	Portugal	Cyprus	Czech Republic	
January	10	2		1		1						14
February	3		1									4
March	7		1	2				2				12
April	2	1	2						1			6
May	6		1	1		1						9
June	6	1	1						1			9
July	5		3	1		1						10
August	5		1				4				1	11
September	6		5									11
October	5		3	1	1							10
November	1		10							1		12
December	4		6									10
<b>Totals</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>120</b>