

## Pet Processing Checklist

**Microchip (*THIS MUST BE DONE FIRST!*):** ISO or ISO compatible chip. (HomeAgain® and AVID® microchips are acceptable). *Include the microchip number on the subsequent rabies and health certificate and FAVN test result form.*

**Rabies Vaccinations (INACTIVATED):** Most recent vaccination certificate.

- Complete history of two vaccinations...*AFTER MICROCHIPPING.*
- Most recent vaccination given not less than 30 days and not more than 12 months.
- Given in series (not less than 30 days between vaccinations) and within their recognized life-span (ie. 1 year vaccine versus a 3 year rabies vaccine) to be considered valid.

**Fluorescent Antibody Viral Neutralization (FAVN) Test:**

○ *AFTER MICROCHIPPING AND 2 RABIES VACCINATIONS (INACTIVATED)*

○ *A passing level  $\geq 0.5$  IU/ml.*

○ Sent to an approved Laboratory:

DOD Veterinary Food Analysis and Diagnostic Laboratory

2472 Schofield Rd., Building 2630

Fort Sam Houston, TX 78234-6232

Phone: (210) 295-4604

FAX: (210) 270-2559

Kansas State University

Rabies Laboratory

1800 Denison Avenue

Manhattan, KS 66506

Phone: (785) 532-4483

FAX: (785) 532-4522

**Advance Notification:** Send notification to Port of entry Animal Quarantine Service as soon as travel arrangements are known *AND AFTER THE FIRST 3 STEPS.*

○ Receive Notification Approval

○ Advance Notification Form:

JDVC Website: [http://www.usari.army.mil/organization/vet/r\\_doc.aspx](http://www.usari.army.mil/organization/vet/r_doc.aspx)

or

MAFF Website: <http://www.maff.go.jp/aqs/english/index.html>

○ Ports of Entry contact information: <http://www.maff.go.jp/aqs/english/contactus.html>

**Health Certificate:** Obtain within 10 days of arrival.

○ **Military Veterinarians may use the MDJ OP 2209 (without USDA Certification)**

○ **Civilian Veterinarians: require USDA Certification from a Federal USDA Veterinarian ([http://www.aphis.usda.gov/animal\\_health/area\\_offices/](http://www.aphis.usda.gov/animal_health/area_offices/)); form is valid for 30 days, however, a second 10-day health certificate may be required for the airlines.**

Both health and rabies certificates must be endorsed with raised seals.

**Age Requirement:** Japan discourages importation of dogs and cats < 12 months old. These steps represent the earliest and quickest timeline for puppies and kittens:

○ Microchip and Vaccination at  $\geq 91$  days old.

○ Vaccination at  $\geq 121$  days old.

○ FAVN test at  $\geq 151$  days old.