

PET PASSPORT for Travel within the EU or taking your **DOG** to USA



The United Kingdom, Hawaii, Guam, Japan and some other locations have special requirements for pets so, please contact your local veterinarian as soon as you find out that you will be travelling to a new location. You can also check their respective websites.

In Italy the American “pet passport” is considered only a certification and it is valid 30 days to enter the country. Therefore, your pet must have the European passport to travel within the EU or to take your pet back to the US. See below for necessary forms and documents you will need to apply for a pet passport at the Pisa Health Department.

**Pets can travel only if older than four months!!

**Your local veterinarian can help you prepare the documents for the European passport.

These are the requirements for the pet passport:

- Your dog must be registered. (See “Registering your pet in Italy”)
- Your dog must have a microchip valid for Europe. (See “Registering your pet in Italy”)
- You must provide the filled out request form (encl. 2) and the Italian form (encl. 5) available at your vet’s office, at USL or at ACS. **Recommend that you use the Camp Darby address if you live outside of the Province of Pisa or you must go to that province’s USL office. Camp Darby, Via Vecchia Livornese, 56018 Tirrenia (PI). Also, use your cell phone number on all paperwork.
- You must provide a photocopy of the record of rabies vaccination. The vaccination must be done not less than 30 days before your move but not more than 11 months before your move (in Europe they accept only the annual vaccination and not the three-year-vaccination).
- You have to provide proof of payment of the fee that must be paid in advance through the Community Bank or Italian Post Office. (The Italian Post office requires a specific voucher available at Pisa Health Department- USL 5).
- If available, you should provide a microchip sticker.

Then you will bring the documents to Pisa Health Department n5 **USL 5**: (see map, encl. 4. Call ACS for further details.)

**The European passport for your pet will be issued usually five to seven working days after turning in the paper work.

**The passport is valid as long as the rabies vaccination is valid.

**10 days prior to departure to the US, you will need a health certificate for your pet issued by your local veterinarian. The certificate should be in the language of the country you are travelling to and of the country you are leaving. This is usually called a bilingual (or trilingual) health certificate. These forms are available at the Camp Darby VTF as well as your local veterinarian. The validity of this certification varies according to the country you are travelling to.

