

Costs associated with Quarantine

Daily fees applied for boarding of animals for 14 days quarantine period. Daily fees will automatically double in rate if animal (s) is boarded beyond 14 days.

Horses (per horse per day)

◇ Regular stall \$2,500.00

Dogs (per animal per day)- \$1000.00

Cats (per animal per day)- \$1000.00

Farm animals (cost per animal)

◇ 1-10 \$700.00

◇ 10-20 \$600.00

◇ >20 \$500.00

Pet birds (per bird) \$150.00

Off-site quarantine fees (cost per animal per day)

◇ small animals \$750.00

◇ Large animals \$2000.00

N.B. All prices are quoted in Jamaican dollars.



Ministry of Agriculture & Fisheries

Veterinary Services Division Quarantine Unit



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Quarantine Unit

All animals imported into the country are required by law to be quarantined for a period of no less than fourteen (14) days at the National Quarantine Facility at Plumb Point.

Kingston is the **ONLY** Port of entry for live animals by law.

Requirements for importing and quarantining live animals

- ⇒ Apply and obtain a veterinary import permit.
- ⇒ Make an appointment for quarantine with the Quarantine Officer at least 3 weeks before animal (s) arrive. **NO ANIMAL SHALL BE LANDED UNLESS THE ANIMAL HAS A BOOKING IN QUARANTINE.**
- ⇒ All importers must fill out an import notification form prior to importing and return the

form to the Veterinary Services Division, for an officer to be on location at the time of the animal (s) arrival.

- ⇒ All importers are responsible for providing food, a food bowl, water bowl, bedding and any other accessories all of which should be labeled properly.
- ⇒ All owners are responsible for signing off on all items dropped off at the quarantine station with the caretaker. These items **MUST** be brought 24-48 hours before arrival of animals. For persons living outside of Kingston and St. Andrew allowances will be made once the necessary arrangements are made with the Quarantine Officer.
- ⇒ All importers are required to meet with the Veterinary landing officer at arrival time. All necessary paperwork should be presented and will be inspected by the attending officer.
- ⇒ If the animal (s) is in breach of the conditions set forth in the import

permit **OR** if the animal is displaying signs of illness **OR** found to have any external parasites it will be immediately exported or euthanized at the expense of the importer.

- ⇒ All importers are responsible for transport of animals from the airport to the Quarantine Station escorted by the Veterinary landing officer.
- ⇒ All importers are required to leave the name and number of their private Veterinarian in case any issues should arise.
- ⇒ All importers wishing to visit animals housed at the Quarantine Station are to make arrangements with a Veterinary Quarantine Officer.

For further information or to make enquiries please contact the Veterinary Quarantine Officer or the Customer Service Officer at (876) 977-2489/2492 or send an email to vsdpermits@moa.gov.jm