Federal Ministry Republic of Austria Social Affairs, Health, Care and Consumer Protection

# Intra-Community movement of other pets (than dogs, cats and ferrets) when travelling to Austria

#### Scope

These conditions, based upon Regulation (EU) No. 576/2013 apply to the Member states of the European Union and the EEA (Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxemburg, Malta, the Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovak Republic, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden) Northern Ireland and Switzerland.

### Pet animals

Pet animals are defined as invertebrates (except bees, bumble bees, molluscs and crustaceans), ornamental aquatic animals, amphibia, reptiles, birds (except fowl, turkeys, guinea fowl, ducks, geese, quails, pigeons, pheasants, partridges and ratites (Ratitae) as well as rodents and rabbits (not intended for food production) which are accompanying their owners or a natural person responsible for such animals on behalf of the owner (written authorisation by the owner) during their movement and are not intended to be sold or transferred to another owner.

## Certificate

Pet animals defined above may enter Austria when travelling with private persons without health certificate. However, the Federal Ministry of Social Affairs, Health, Care and Consumer Protection (BMSGPK) would like to draw your attention to the fact that it is within the owner's responsibility to take precautions so that their animal does not to spread any animal diseases to susceptible animals (e.g. avian influenza). Before departure, BMSGPK therefore recommends to contact the locally competent official veterinarian with regard to restrictions due to animal diseases.

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