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Personalized trip timeline: *Max to Paris*

Counted backward from Departure Day (Tue, Jun 15, 2027). Every date here is an example.

DATE	MILESTONE	WHO
Mon, Mar 1	**Records received and checked** Microchip is ISO 11784/11785 (15 digits) and was implanted **before** the rabies vaccine that counts for travel. Rabies certificate dates and validity read from your records.	PET TRAVEL PAPERWORK OWNER
Thu, Mar 4	**Packet delivered** This dated timeline, the vet clinic handout and the pre-filled form data summary arrive by email.	PET TRAVEL PAPERWORK
By Tue, May 25	**Latest day for a primary rabies vaccine (only if needed)** At least 21 days before arrival (some vaccines need 30; your vet confirms). In this example Max's booster (Feb 24, 2027) was given before the previous vaccine lapsed, so no new wait applies.	VET
Book: Tue, Jun 8	**USDA-accredited vet exam window opens Jun 6** Exam and signed EU health certificate within 10 days before arrival in the EU (window: Jun 6–16). Chip scanned and matched to the rabies certificate.	VET OWNER
Jun 8–10	**USDA APHIS endorsement via VEHCS** Your vet submits the certificate in VEHCS; APHIS endorses it, also within the 10-day window. Allow a few business days.	VET USDA
Mon, Jun 14	**Final check** Sign the non-commercial owner declaration. Endorsed certificate, rabies certificate and declaration go in one folder, plus printed copies.	OWNER
Tue, Jun 15	**Departure day: MIA → CDG** Carry the folder in your hand luggage. Max's chip must scan on arrival on Wed, Jun 16.	OWNER

Fees paid separately (not part of our fee)

- Vet exam and certificate visit: set by your clinic (ask for a quote)
- USDA APHIS endorsement: $101 per certificate when no lab tests are listed
- Airline pet fee: set by your airline

Key rules behind these dates

- Microchip first, then the rabies vaccine
- Primary rabies vaccine: wait at least 21 days
- Exam and USDA endorsement: within 10 days before EU arrival

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Vet clinic handout *& checklist*

For the USDA-accredited veterinarian. Exam appointment (example): **Tue, Jun 8, 2027** · EU arrival: **Wed, Jun 16, 2027** · Destination: France (non-commercial)

- ☐ **Microchip scan.** Scan the ISO 11784/11785 chip (15 digits). Number **matches** the rabies certificate and the health certificate: 900 000 000 000 001 (example).
- ☐ **Chip before rabies.** Chip implant date (Feb 2, 2026, example) is **on or before** the primary rabies vaccine date (Mar 10, 2026, example).
- ☐ **Rabies vaccine details.** Primary (Mar 10, 2026) and booster (Feb 24, 2027, example): product, manufacturer, batch/lot, date given and valid-until date recorded exactly as on each certificate.
- ☐ **Rabies validity check.** Vaccine valid on the arrival date (Jun 16). If it was a primary vaccine, at least 21 days have passed (or the manufacturer's period). For EU travel, APHIS treats a US primary vaccine as valid for 1 year.
- ☐ **Clinical exam.** Pet examined and fit to travel on the exam date (Jun 8, inside the Jun 6–16 window).
- ☐ **EU non-commercial health certificate.** Complete the current EU certificate model for non-commercial pet travel in VEHCS (versions in force from Oct 1, 2026). Owner and itinerary fields are on page 3.
- ☐ **VEHCS submission.** Sign and submit to USDA APHIS for endorsement via VEHCS the same day if possible; endorsement must also fall within the 10-day window.
- ☐ **Copies for the owner.** Return the endorsed certificate to the owner (digital or paper, as APHIS issues it for France) plus copies of the rabies certificate.

Owner brings to the appointment

- All rabies certificates (including the primary vaccine if the current one is a booster) and the microchip record
- Flight details and the destination address (page 3) · The pet, leashed or in a carrier

Veterinarian (USDA-accredited) · name _____ Signature _____ Date _____

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Pre-filled form *data summary*

Reference sheet for the vet's VEHCS entry. Fields marked *for the vet* are left blank on purpose.

Owner details

Name	**Jordan Reyes (example)**
Address	**100 Example Ave, Miami, FL 33101 (fictional)**
Phone	**(000) 000-0000 (example)**
Email	**jordan@example.com**

Destination address

Address in France	**12 Rue Exemple, 75007 Paris (fictional)**
Arrival	**Wed, Jun 16, 2027 · Paris CDG**
Travel	**With the owner, non-commercial**

Pet details

Name	**Max**
Species / breed	**Dog · Golden Retriever**
Sex	**Male**
Date of birth	**Apr 2021 (example)**
Color / coat	**Golden, long coat**
Weight	**70 lb (example)**

Microchip & rabies certificate data

Microchip no.	**900 000 000 000 001 (example)**
Implant date	**Feb 2, 2026**
Rabies (primary)	**Mar 10, 2026 · 1-year validity for EU**
Rabies (booster)	**Feb 24, 2027, before the primary lapsed**
Valid until	**Feb 23, 2030 (3-year product, example)**
Product / lot	**As written on each certificate**
Clinical exam	*for the vet*
Signature	*for the vet*

Non-commercial owner declaration: checklist

- [ ] The trip is non-commercial: no sale or transfer of ownership.
- [ ] Max travels with the owner (or an authorized person) within 5 days of the owner's trip.
- [ ] No more than 5 pets on this trip (1 in this example).
- [ ] Signed by the owner before departure and kept with the endorsed certificate.

In a real packet, page 3 is filled in from your own records; the vet verifies every field before signing.

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