



Procedures for taking adult dog to the U.S. | Sgt. Pepper's Friends

Prior to traveling.

The dog must have a health certificate from the veterinarian. He / she must have proper vaccinations, including rabies. The Sgt. Pepper's Friends team will take care of this!

At the airport in Aruba.

We will meet you in front of the U.S. Departures hall 3-4 hours prior to flying.

We will check in at the ticket counter with you (we will provide them the necessary paperwork) and we will pay the fee for the dog's ticket.

Fill out the paperwork from the airlines. When you fill out Blue U.S. customs form, check off the block that declares you are carrying an animal.

You may wheel the dog in the crate on a cart.

We will walk with you until the first passport check.

After Aruba immigration, you will come to the first security checkpoint.

There is a door on the left. The security person will take the dog through that door. You will go through security normally. You pick up the dog after going through security.

Continue on to U.S. customs. Pick up your luggage.

Give the customs officer your passport and blue card.

The officer will ask you to take a seat and will call the USDA officer. He/she will take you to the back and ask to see the original health certificate (in an envelope stating 'Original Health Certificate').

We also provide a separate envelope which states 'Customs', with a copy of the health certificate, the vet states and the dog's passport.

They will probably also examine any food. The food must be unopened and made in the U.S.

Once you clear U.S. customs, you will drop your checked luggage on the appropriate belt and leave the dog on the cart at the large gray door on the left.

You will most likely not see the dog again until you arrive at your destination.

After boarding the airplane.

When you board the plane in Aruba, tell the flight attendant to let the captain know that you are traveling with a pet and make sure that the pet is boarded on the plane.

The dog will be the last to be boarded.

Before they close the door they should tell you that your dog is on the plane. If the door closes and you have not been told, ring the call button.

Transfer to another flight.

Repeat the same process in Miami / Atlanta / New York when you board the plane. Make sure that the dog is boarded on the plane!

To head off any delays, let the gate agent in Miami / Atlanta / New York also know that you are traveling with pet(s) as checked luggage.

After arrival.

When you arrive at your destination, you will pick up the dog at the oversized baggage area. The adopters will meet you at the gate of arrival. Their contact information is written down on the back of the envelope stating 'Owner' and contains the dogs passport, vet states and a copy of the health certificate.

Our contact info:

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