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To whom it may concern:

## <u>Updates on Procedure for Official Endorsement/ Certification of Export Documents</u> <u>for Dogs and Cats without Proof of Residency</u>

In order to ensure the integrity of the certification and maintain the good reputation of the veterinary services in Hong Kong, the procedure of handling official endorsement/ certification for dogs and cats has been updated.

To comply with the import requirements of the Specified Country/ Region, documental proof on the residency of animals is required for applications for official endorsement/ certification for exporting dogs or cats. For dogs age of 5 months or above must provide valid Dog Licence(s) issued by this Department in accordance with Cap. 421 *Rabies Ordinance* of Hong Kong. The documental proof are as following:

#### Specified Country/ Region:

Australia, Japan, New Zealand, Singapore and Taiwan

#### Documental Proof of Residency (including but not limited to):

- 1. Purchase or adoption record(s); or
- 2. Documentation on the ownership/ change of ownership; or
- 3. Vaccination or medical record(s) issued by a registered veterinary surgeon in Hong Kong; or
- 4. Record(s) of Importation of the animals to Hong Kong.

Without above-stated proof on the residency of the animals, additional verification procedures will be required.

### Additional Verification Procedures:

- The animal must be brought to this Department for microchip scanning and document checking by an authorized officer in according with the residency requirements of the specified country/ region. The residency in Hong Kong will be counted from the date of microchip scanning by AFCD.
- 2. A payment of endorsement fee is required for the additional verification procedures mentioned above.

Application for official endorsement/ certification could be rejected if the above-mentioned additional procedures are not complied with.

We appreciate your kind cooperation in captioned arrangement. For any queries, please do not hesitate to contact our department by calling 2150 7065.

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