Application Procedure for Importation of Dogs and Cats from Group IIIB Countries/Places

Step 1

Get full vaccination

- FULL vaccination against below diseases (please refer to guidelines G122):
  - Dogs: canine distemper, infectious canine hepatitis and canine parvovirus
  - Cats: feline panleucopaenia and feline respiratory disease complex
- last vaccination must be given not less than 14 days and not more than 1 year prior to export
- make sure the animal has been microchipped

Step 2

Reserve quarantine facility

- submit the permit application form (AF240/AF301), quarantine booking form (PC100) and vaccination record to AFCD
- after making application and obtaining a reference number from AFCD, your dog/cat will be on the waiting list for a quarantine space in the Government Animal Management Centre. Optionally, you may consider to book a quarantine space at a Licensed Quarantine Centre (LQC)

Step 3

Wait for AFCD's or LQC's confirmation of quarantine booking

- AFCD will contact you and an importation timeslot will be allocated. Your dog/cat must be imported into Hong Kong within the given period
- LQC will contact you directly regarding the available timeslot (if applicable)

Step 4

Apply for Special Permit

- confirm the allocated timeslot by completing the permit application:
  - ☐ pay the permit fee
  - ☐ provide confirmation proof issued by LQC (if applicable)

Step 5

Arrange transportation

- animals must be transported by the fastest and most direct route to HK
  - by air: as manifested cargo
  - by sea/land: keep in appropriate crate

Step 6

Obtain Animal Health Certificate

- must be issued not more than 14 days prior to export, EITHER by a government vet OR by a registered vet
- recommend to use the animal health certificate template prepared by AFCD.

Step 7

Advance notification of arrival

- notify Duty Officer of AFCD at least 24 hours before the expected arrival time

Step 8

Arrival in Hong Kong & official escort to quarantine facility

- provide the original documents for clearance:
  - ☐ Special Permit
  - ☐ Vaccination records
  - ☐ Animal Health Certificate
- arrange transportation to transport the animal to the assigned AFCD Animal Management Centre or LQC for minimum 120 days of quarantine
- AFCD staff will escort the transportation process

For details, please read:
https://www.afcd.gov.hk/english/quarantine/qua_ie/qua_ie_ipab/qua_ie_ipab_idc/qua_ie_ipab_idc_Group_IIIB.html