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# Veterinary Services Import/Export User Fees

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**9 CFR § 130.3(b) —Individual Animals and Certain Birds Quarantined in APHIS-Owned or -Operated Quarantine Facilities, Including APHIS Animal Import Centers**

| Per Animal or Bird  | Daily User Fee |
|---|----------------|
| <b>Birds (excluding ratites and pet birds imported in accordance with Part 93 of this subchapter)</b> |                |
| 0-250 grams   | \$5.00         |
| 251-1,000 grams   | 10.00          |
| Over 1,000 grams  | 30.00          |
| <b>Domestic or zoo animals (excepts equines, birds, and poultry)</b>                                  |                |
| Bison, bulls, camels, cattle, or zoo animals  | 341.00         |
| All others, including, but not limited to, alpacas, llamas, goats, sheep, and swine                   | 69.00          |
| <b>Equines (including zoo equines, but excluding miniature horses)</b>                                |                |
| 1st through 3rd day (fee per day)   | 586.00         |

| <b>Per Animal or Bird</b>  | <b>Daily User Fee</b> |
|--|-----------------------|
| 4th through 7th day (fee per day)  | 196.00                |
| 8th through subsequent days (fee per day)  | 196.00                |
| Miniature horses   | 204.00                |
| <b>Poultry (including zoo poultry)</b>   |                       |
| Doves, pigeons, quail  | 9.25                  |
| Chickens, ducks, grouse, guinea fowl, partridge, pea fowl, pheasants                                   | 16.00                 |
| Large poultry and large waterfowl, including, but not limited to game cocks, geese, swans, and turkeys | 51.00                 |
| <b>Ratites</b>   |                       |
| Chicks (less than 3 months old)  | 32.00                 |
| Juveniles (3 months through 10 months old)   | 47.00                 |
| Adults (11 months old and older)   | 91.00                 |

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## **9 CFR § 130.3(b) — Bird or Poultry (nonstandard housing, care, or handling)**

| <b>Per Bird or Poultry</b>  | <b>Daily User Fee</b> |
|---|-----------------------|
| Birds 0–250 grams and doves, pigeons and quail  | \$14.00               |
| Birds 251–1,000 grams and poultry such as chickens, ducks, grouse, guinea fowl, partridge, pea fowl, and pheasants                | 28.00                 |
| Birds over 1,000 grams and large poultry and large winter fowl, including but not limited to gamecocks, geese, swans, and turkeys | 51.00                 |

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## **9 CFR § 130.3(c) — Exclusive Use of Space at APHIS Animal Import Centers**

| <b>Animal Import Center</b>                               | <b>Monthly User Fee</b> |
|---|-------------------------|
| <b>Newburgh, NY</b>                                       |                         |
| Space A—5,396 sq. ft <sup>2</sup> (503.1 m <sup>2</sup> ) | \$104,369.00            |
| Space B—8,903 sq. ft <sup>2</sup> (827.1 m <sup>2</sup> ) | 172,201.00              |
| Space C—905 sq. ft <sup>2</sup> (84.1 m <sup>2</sup> )    | 17,504.00               |

Square Foot (f<sup>2</sup>); square meter (M<sup>2</sup>)

User fees for any service rendered by an APHIS representative for each animal quarantined in a privately operated permanent or temporary import quarantine facility will be calculated at the hourly user fee rate listed in §130.4 for each employee required to perform the service.

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## **9 CFR § 130.3 —Processing Permit Applications**

| Service                             |              | Per Unit User Fee |
|-------------------------------------|--------------|-------------------|
| <b>Import compliance assistance</b> |              |                   |
| Simple (4 hours or less)            | Per shipment | \$249.00          |
| Complicated (more than 4 hours)     | Per shipment | 762.00            |

**Processing an application for a permit to import live animals, animal products or byproducts, organisms, vectors, or germplasm (embryos or semen) or to transport organisms or vectors <sup>1</sup>**

|  |                         |          |
|--|-------------------------|----------|
| Initial permit   | Per application         | 303.00   |
| Amended permit   | Per amended application | 176.00   |
| Renewed permit <sup>2</sup>  | Per application         | 176.00   |
| Processing an application for permit to import fetal bovine serum when facility inspection is required | Per application         | 1,075.00 |

<sup>1</sup> Using Veterinary Services Form 16-3, "Application for Permit to Import or Transport Controlled Material or Organism or Vectors," or Form 17-129, "Application for Import or in Transit Permits (Animals, Animal Semen, Animal Embryos, Birds, Poultry, or Hatching Eggs)"

<sup>2</sup> Permits to import germplasm, and live animals are not renewable.

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**9 CFR § 130.3 — Inspection of Live Animals at Land Border Ports Along the United States-Mexico Border**

| <b>Type of Live Animal</b>                                    | <b>Per Head User Fee</b> |
|---|--------------------------|
| Any ruminants (including breeder ruminants) not covered below | \$11.00                  |
| Feeder  | 8.25                     |
| Horses, other than slaughter                                  | 288.00                   |
| In-bond or in-transit   | 20.00                    |
| Slaughter   | 13.00                    |

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## **9 CFR §130.3(d)— Import or Entry Services for Live Animals at Land Border Ports Along the United States-Canada Border**

| <b>Type of Live Animal</b>  | <b>Per Unit User Fee</b> |
|---|--------------------------|
| <b>Animals being imported into the United States: Breeding animals (Grade animals, except horses)</b> |                          |
| Sheep and goats   | Per head \$2.25          |
| Swine   | Per head 2.00            |
| All others  | Per head 17.00           |

**Type of Live Animal****Per Unit User Fee****Feeder animals**

|   |          |       |
|---|----------|-------|
| Cattle (not including calves)   | Per head | 2.75  |
| Sheep and calves  | Per head | 2.25  |
| Swine   | Per head | 0.50  |
| Horses (including registered horses)<br>other than slaughter and in-transit | Per head | 49.00 |
| Poultry (including eggs), imported for<br>any purpose                       | Per load | 88.00 |
| Registered animals, all types (except<br>horses)                            | Per head | 11.00 |
| Slaughter animals, all types (except<br>poultry)                            | Per load | 79.00 |

**Animals transiting<sup>1</sup> the United States**

|                              |          |        |
|------------------------------|----------|--------|
| Cattle                       | Per head | 11.00  |
| Sheep and goats              | Per head | 1.25   |
| Swine                        | Per head | 1.75   |
| Horses and all other animals | Per head | 118.00 |

## **Type of Live Animal**

## **Per Unit User Fee**

<sup>1</sup> The user fee in this section will be charged for in-transit authorizations at the port where the authorization services are performed. For additional services provided by APHIS at any port, the hourly user fee in §130.3 will apply.

Minimum user fee for these services is listed in §130.4.

Reimbursable overtime, as provided for in part 97 of this chapter, applies if a service must be conducted on a Sunday or holiday or at any other time outside the normal tour of duty of each employee performing the service.

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### **9 CFR 130.3 — Other Services**

#### **Service**

#### **Per Unit User Fee**

#### **Germplasm being exported<sup>1</sup>**

|   |                          |          |
|---|--------------------------|----------|
| Embryo: Up to 5 donor pairs   | Per certificate          | \$163.00 |
| Embryo: Each additional group of donor pairs, up to 5 pairs per group on the same certificate | Per group of donor pairs | 100.00   |
| Embryo: Semen   | Per certificate          | 171.00   |

#### **Release from export agricultural hold**

|                          |             |        |
|--------------------------|-------------|--------|
| Simple (2 hours or less) | Per release | 118.00 |
|--------------------------|-------------|--------|



**Service****Per Unit User Fee**

|                                 |             |        |
|---------------------------------|-------------|--------|
| Complicated (more than 2 hours) | Per release | 601.00 |
|---------------------------------|-------------|--------|

<sup>1</sup> This user fee includes a single inspection and resealing of the container at the APHIS employee's regular tour of duty station or at a limited port. For each subsequent inspection and resealing required, the hourly user fee in § 130.4 will apply.

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## **9 CFR § 130.3(c) — Pet Birds**

User fees for pet birds of U.S. origin returning to the United States, except pet birds of U.S. origin returning from Canada:

**Service****Pet Lot User  
Fee**

|  |          |
|--|----------|
| (1) Which have been out of the United States 60 days or less | \$362.00 |
|--|----------|

|  |        |
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| (2) Which have been out of the United States for more than 60 days | 938.00 |
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These user fees include standard care, feed, and handling.

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## **9 CFR § 130.3(c) - Pet Birds Quarantine in an Animal Import Center or Other APHIS-Owned or Supervised Quarantine Facility**

These user fees include standard care, feed, and handling.

| <b>Number of Birds in Isolate</b> | <b>Daily User Fee</b> |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|

|           |         |
|-----------|---------|
| 1         | \$22.00 |
| 2         | 24.00   |
| 3         | 26.00   |
| 4         | 30.00   |
| 5 or more | 32.00   |

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## **9 CFR § 130.4 — Inspecting and Approving Import/Export Facilities and Establishments**

These user fees do not apply to inspection activities covered in § 130.4(a)(2)

| <b>Service</b>  | <b>Per Unit User Fee</b> |          |
|---|--------------------------|----------|
| Embryo collection center inspection and approval (all inspections required during the year for facility approval).  | Per year                 | \$767.00 |
| Inspection for approval of biosecurity level three labs (all inspections related to approving the laboratory for handling one defined set of organisms or vectors) <sup>1</sup> | Per inspection           | 3,262.00 |

### **Inspection for approval of slaughter establishment**

|                                    |          |        |
|------------------------------------|----------|--------|
| Initial approval (all inspections) | Per year | 938.00 |
| Renewal (all inspections)          | Per year | 703.00 |

### **Inspection of approved establishments, warehouses, and facilities under 9 CFR Part 94 through 96**

| <b>Service</b>  | <b>Per Unit User Fee</b> |        |
|---|--------------------------|--------|
| Approval (compliance agreement) (all inspections for first year of 3-year approval) | Per year                 | 747.00 |
| Renewal (all inspections for second and third years of 3-year approval)             | Per year                 | 513.00 |

<sup>1</sup> The hourly user fee rate in § 130.4 applies to biosecurity level two laboratories.

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## **9 CFR § 130.3(f) — Endorsing Export Certificates**

Export health certificates may need to be endorsed for an animal being exported from the United States if the country to which the animal is being shipped requires one. APHIS endorses export health certificates as a service.

User fees for endorsement of export health certificates that do not require verification of tests or vaccinations below:

| <b>Certificate Categories</b>   | <b>User Fee</b> |
|---|-----------------|
| Animal and non-animal products  | \$101.00        |
| Hatching eggs   | 113.00          |
| Poultry (including slaughter poultry)   | 113.00          |
| Ruminants, except slaughter ruminants moving to Canada or Mexico                      | 67.00           |
| Slaughter animals (except poultry but including ruminants) moving to Canada or Mexico | 70.00           |

| <b>Certificate Categories</b>        | <b>UserFee</b> |
|--------------------------------------|----------------|
| Other endorsements or certifications | 101.00         |

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## **9 CFR § 130.3(f)—User Fees for the Endorsement of Export Health Certificates that Require the Verification of Tests or Vaccinations**

| <b>Number<sup>1</sup> of test or vaccinations and Number of animals or birds on the certificate</b> | <b>User Fee</b> |
|---|-----------------|
| <b>1-2 tests or vaccinations</b>  |                 |
| Nonslaughter horses to Canada, first horse  | \$100.00        |
| Nonslaughter horses to Canada, each additional horse  | 58.00           |
| Other animals or birds, first animal  | 160.00          |
| Other animals or birds, each additional animal  | 10.00           |
| <b>3-6 tests or vaccinations</b>  |                 |
| First animal  | 206.00          |
| Each additional animal  | 18.00           |

| <b>Number<sup>1</sup> of test or vaccinations and Number of animals or birds on the certificate</b> | <b>User Fee</b> |
|---|-----------------|
|---|-----------------|

**7 or more tests or vaccinations**

|              |        |
|--------------|--------|
| First animal | 275.00 |
|--------------|--------|

|                        |       |
|------------------------|-------|
| Each additional animal | 21.00 |
|------------------------|-------|

<sup>1</sup> Rabies vaccinations are not included in this number.

If an export certificate covers more than one animal, but the number of tests required for different animals are not the same, the user fee for the certificate is the fee which would be due if all the animals on the certificate required the same number of tests as the animal which requires the greatest number of tests.

The user fees prescribed in this section will not apply to an export health certificate if the export health certificate is prepared for endorsement completely at the site of the inspection by an APHIS veterinarian in the course of performing inspection or supervision services for the animals listed on the certificate.

If a service must be conducted on a Sunday or holiday or at any other time outside the normal tour of duty of the employee, then reimbursable overtime, as provided for in part 97 of this chapter, must be paid for each service, in addition to the user fee listed in this section.

The user fees apply to each export health certificate endorsed for animals and birds depending on the number of animals or birds covered by the certificate and the number of tests or vaccinations required. However, there will be a maximum user fee of 12 times the hourly rate user fee listed in § 130.4(a) of this part for any single shipment.

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## 9 CFR § 130.4 — Hourly Rate and Minimum User Fees

User fees for import- or export-related veterinary services listed in 9 CFR 130.4(a)(1) through (a)(18), except those services covered by flat rate user fees elsewhere in part 130, will be calculated at the hourly rate listed in the following for each employee required to perform the service.

### User Fee

#### Hourly rate

|          |          |
|----------|----------|
| Per hour | \$166.00 |
|----------|----------|

|                  |       |
|------------------|-------|
| Per quarter hour | 42.00 |
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| Per service minimum fee | 51.00 |
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## 9 CFR § 130.4 —Overtime Hourly Rate

There is an additional charge if you need an APHIS employee to work on a Sunday, on a holiday, or at any time outside the normal tour of duty of the employee.

Instead of the hourly rate user fee, the rate listed below for each employee providing the service will be charged.

### Overtime Rates (outside the employee's normal tour of duty) User Fee

#### Premium hourly rate Monday through Saturday and holidays

|          |          |
|----------|----------|
| Per hour | \$196.00 |
|----------|----------|

## **Overtime Rates (outside the employee's normal tour of duty) User Fee**

|                  |       |
|------------------|-------|
| Per quarter hour | 49.00 |
|------------------|-------|

## **Premium hourly rate for Sundays**

|          |        |
|----------|--------|
| Per hour | 221.00 |
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|                  |       |
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| Per quarter hour | 56.00 |
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