

EK Operator Variations For Live Animals (IATA LAR)

EK-01 All animals, including insects, but excluding live aquatics, crustaceans, worms, snails, mollusks and baby poultry, transported on Emirates, are subject to advance arrangements and approvals (min 4 working days are required to process inquiries); the listed excepted animals remain subject to the transportation requirements as prescribed in these Regulations;

Note: Acceptance and transportation of shipments of live animals to/from other airlines is also subject to prior arrangements and approval (min 6 working days are required to process inquiries);

EK-02 Emirates will not accept animals as checked baggage, except for falcons, cats, dogs (certain breed restrictions apply, refer EK-05) and pet birds (restrictions in EK-06 apply);

EK-03 Emirates will accept the following animals in cabin:

- Falcons - only on Pakistan routes. Operator's prior approval is required if the number of falcons to be carried in cabin exceeds 15 heads or if falcons are required to be transported in the passenger cabin on other than Pakistan routes;
- Properly trained "service" dogs - only on the US and Canada routes;

EK-04 For all animals, the optimum temperature requirement must be reflected on the travel containers and for those transported under cargo mode, additionally in the Handling Information Box of the Air Waybill; the wording for reflecting the temperature requirement must be as follows: "**Keep between X and Y degrees Celsius whenever possible during transportation and storage**", where X and Y are respectively the minimum and the maximum recommended temperatures.

EK-05 Acceptance of dogs and cats is governed by the following restrictions:

- Emirates will not accept dog & cats less than 4 months of age;
- Emirates will not accept certain breeds of dogs and cats, including snub nosed, as these animals, variably, are susceptible to increased risk of heat stroke (when exposed to stress or temperatures above 21C), breathing difficulties or increased travel stress. Emirates has identified the following such breeds:

Dogs:

- American Staffordshire Terrier
- American Pit Bull Terrier
- Boston Terrier
- Boxer
- Brussels Griffon (Petite Brabancon)
- Bull Mastiff
- Bull Terrier
- Chinese Pug
- Chow Chow
- Dutch Pug (Mopshond, Mops Hund, Carlino)
- (English) Bulldog
- English Toy Spaniel (King Charles Spaniel)
- French Bulldog
- Lhasa Apso
- Japanese Chin (Chin, Japanese Spaniel, Japanese Pug)
- Pekingese
- Pug
- Shar-Pei
- Shih Tzu
- Staffordshire Bull Terrier
- Tibetan Spaniel

Cats:

- Burmese
- Exotic
- Himalayan
- Persian

Note: This list is subject to changes. The restriction applies mainly on pure breeds. Some cross breeds of the above listed dogs and cats can be accepted under special pre-arrangements.

EK-06 Acceptance of Wild and Endangered species and parts thereof is governed by the following restrictions:

- Emirates will not accept wild caught animals;
- Endangered species listed in the CITES list I Chapter 6 and all primates can be accepted only as cargo and only if the shipper or shipper's agent certifies in writing that the animals are born and bred in captivity and the transportation is performed between qualified zoological gardens/ societies, wild parks and recognized wildlife protection centres, intended for conservation or breeding purpose. Such transportation is restricted to EK online services only;
- Products and parts of endangered animals and plants listed in CITES list I Chapter 6 will not be accepted. This is also applicable to hunting trophies;

Note: Acceptance of animals listed in CITES List II of Chapter 6 is subject to special/ prior approval.

EK-07 Emirates will not accept animals with the following behaviour:

- sedation/tranquilisation, unless it's administered on certain animals transported between qualified zoological gardens/ societies, wild parks and recognized wildlife protection centres, intended for conservation or breeding purpose. In this case a certificate from qualified veterinarian doctor, describing the medication and dosage administered, must be provided by the shipper;
- offensive or aggressive behaviour.. American Pit Bull Terriers (Pit Bull) will not be accepted under any conditions. Crossbreeds are excepted

EK-08 To protect animal welfare, Emirates has established special arrangements for handling animals in transit via Dubai:

- When animals transiting Dubai are transported as checked baggage, the flight connection time must not exceed 6 hours;
- When animals transiting Dubai are transported as cargo, the flight connection time must be not less than 6 hours;
- The Total Transportation Time (the total flying and ground time at intermediate points) for any birds, including baby poultry, must not exceed 17 hours;
- Due to harsh climatic conditions (heat), no birds, including baby poultry, but with exception to falcons, will be accepted for transit via Dubai between 1 May and 30 September;
- all warm blooded animals, whose Total Transportation Time exceeds 17 hours, will be accepted for carriage on Emirates only as cargo and subject to mandatory transit rest arrangements (involving mandatory rest time, as recommended) at the Dubai Intl. Airport. Transit charges apply and are to be born by the shipper/consignee;

The following arrangements are applicable only to animals transported as cargo:

- Emirates reserves the right to decide on the level and duration of rest required for warm blooded animals transported under cargo mode and involving less than 17 hours, if required from animal welfare point of view;
- in addition to the requirements of the International Industry Rules and Regulations, shippers must provide the following minimum information for all animals to be accepted for carriage on EK:
 - for dogs and cats, nick name and breed name (nick name to be shown on the animal's travel container);
 - individual animal weight, age, sex;

- details of any prior ground or air transportation, immediately before the planned air carriage and its duration;

Note: the 24 hour emergency contact number must always be shown on the animal's travel container and in the Handling Information Box of the Air Waybill.

EK-09 Emirates will not accept the following animals due to their nature:

- poisonous animals including poisonous reptiles and insects, unless transported between qualified zoological gardens/ societies, wild parks and recognized wildlife protection centres, intended for conservation or breeding purpose, and packaged and prepared for carriage strictly as per requirements of these Regulations;
- Obnoxious animals (known to produce offensive odours), e.g. minks, skunks. Sheep and goats will be accepted for carriage on passenger services in quantities not exceeding more than 2 adult animals per flight. Larger quantities can be carried only on freighter services;
- pigs;

EK-10 Emirates will not accept animals intended for laboratory purposes, except rats and mice;

EK-11 Emirates will not be liable for any loss or expenses arising from death of animals due to natural causes or death or injury caused by the conduct of the animal itself. All Air Waybills, covering carriage of live animals, must have the clause as follows:

"Carrier not responsible for mortality due to natural cause"

EK-12 The shipper is required to declare when animals are pregnant, or have given birth in the last 48 hours. EK will not accept pregnant animals beyond 1/3 of their normal pregnancy duration (wild and domestic alike).

The following must be provided by the shipper when the animal is declared pregnant:

- A veterinarian certificate from a recognized veterinarian clinic certifying how far along the animal is pregnant (days/weeks/months) and what portion of its pregnancy it's in (e.g. 1/3, 2/3 or 3/3).
- For animals that are in 1/3 of their pregnancy, the certificate must certify that the animal is fit to travel and there is no risk of birth occurring during the journey.

EK-13 Exceptions to EK-05, EK-06 and EK-08 must be approved by Emirates Cargo Management in Headquarters, through local Emirates SkyCargo offices.

Assistance, as well as information about other existing country restrictions and embargoes can be obtained from the local Emirates offices.