

SWISS Live Animals

For that extra special care

Swiss WorldCargo is one of the most highly-regarded air cargo carriers for the transportation of live animals, because we care about all aspects of the well-being of all animal species travelling on our network. To ensure their safe travels, we have continued to invest in improving and perfecting our processes throughout an animal's entire travel journey, while developing facilities on the ground that can benefit our animals on board. At our stations, we have trained live animal specialists who ensure adherence to both the relevant IATA regulations and our own specifically predefined provisions. And at our hub at Zurich Airport, the state-of-the-art animal centre provides an optimum environment for animal transfers to various locations throughout our network.

Note

Swiss WorldCargo dissociates itself from the transportation of live animals for research with the exception of live mice and live rats, complies with the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES) with regard to the transportation of animals and has a ban in place on the transportation of animal trophies in accordance with CITES Appendix I (cites.org/).

A ban on the transportation of ivory has already been in place for some time. In order to further help eliminate the illegal trade in and transportation of hunting trophies and preserve the wildlife heritage, this ban has been extended to the transportation of lion trophies as well as lion bones and body parts (CITES Appendix II) since 1 June 2015. SWISS hopes that these bans will contribute to finally eradicating this cruel practice.



Efficient handling

- Special handling based on animal type and species, e.g. ambient temperature kept between +12 °C and +20 °C for cats and dogs
- Temperature control during the journey



Fast and convenient

- SWISS X-Presso XL service, with 120-minute transfer time, makes the journey for live animals short and smooth
- Pick-up of live animals within Switzerland



Administrative assistance

- Issuing of transport documents
- Arranging shipper's certification
- Checking import or export licence and health certificate