



Tidewalker Australian Terriers

How to: Bring a puppy home from Canada into the United States

It's easy to buy an Australian Terrier puppy in Canada and take it home to the United States.

- 1) The breeder supply's a health certificate from their local Veterinarian for the puppy. The Letter will list all shots that the puppy has been given and the diseases they vaccinate against, if the puppy is less than 3 months old they are not required to have a rabies shot. The rabies shot does not need to be given until age 3 weeks according to importation law. Its best to bring a puppy into the US before that date and have your own Vet administer the rabies shot on the required date. Tidewalker Kennels will help you with all this paperwork and make it easy to take your new Aussie into the US.
- 2) The breeder will supply a receipt for the purchase of the puppy, to be shown on request at customs.
- 3) Traveling by Air. Book your ticket and confirm space for the puppy at the same time. (The airlines confirm space even when dogs are under the seat as they only allow a few dogs on the airline per flight)

Each airline has its own rules, check the airlines website and call the airline. Dogs under 20lbs may go under the seat in an airline approved carrying case (e.g. the "Sherpa" bag). Costs vary from \$50 -\$100 one way. The puppy bag counts towards one of the two bags allowed in cabin.

- 4) Travel by Car. Have all documentation ready to show at the border crossing if requested. Health certificate and receipt.

Here are two (2) useful websites that speak to the requirements of importing a dog (puppy). One from Canada and one from the United States.

http://www.aphis.usda.gov/import_export/animals/animal_import/animal_import_s_pets.shtml

<http://www.cdc.gov/animalimportation/dogs.html>