

## ARF Aruba – The Animal Relief Foundation Aruba

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### What To Do If You Have Found An Animal That You Want to Take Home

#### Getting a dog or cat to United States or Canada

If you have found a homeless animal at your hotel, on the beach or on the streets of Aruba that you wish to take back home with you, we will be happy to provide information and assist you in the procedures necessary to transport your new friend back to your home. Many times people befriend dogs or cats on the beach or at their hotel and want to take them home where they will have a better life. This is very possible but please contact us as soon as possible so that we can help you make the process easier.

The dog or cat will need to be evaluated by an Aruba veterinarian to make sure the animal is healthy enough to travel. So long as it is healthy, it will be given the appropriate vaccinations and the veterinarian will then provide a health certificate to allow the animal to be transported to another country. There is no rabies on the Island of Aruba so there is no quarantine period when taking a dog or cat back to the United States and most other countries.

Puppies, kittens and cats can usually travel in the passenger compartment of your airline as long as the combined weight of the animal and carrier is less than 20 pounds. The carrier must be a standard pet carrier approved by the airlines. ARF-Aruba can assist in obtaining appropriate carriers to transport your adopted pet. The flight fees for animals vary depending on the airline.

Unfortunately there are currently only two airlines willing to transport adult dogs; American Airlines and Delta Airlines. Costs vary and depending on the airline. Both airlines have weather temperature restrictions during summer months for the safety of the animal. That will need to be taken into consideration when planning to take home an adult dog. In the event that your airline does not transport adult dogs and you have found a dog that you want to provide with a better life, we will work with you to make it possible.

We have helped numerous tourists who have found adult dogs and need to make arrangements for future transportation to their new home. ARF-Aruba does not charge a fee for our assistance and only asks that the new family assume the costs for the animal, which generally consist of the vet fees and air transportation.

#### Adoption While You Are in Aruba

If you want to adopt from Aruba but do not have a particular dog, puppy, cat or kitten in mind, we always have animals that need homes. Please contact ARF-Aruba as early in your stay as possible. We will provide you with information regarding available animals and make arrangements for you to see them in their foster home, shelter or the veterinarian's boarding area. The more time we have to help you in this adoption process, the smoother the process will go.

#### Adoption from Aruba

If you are in the United States or Canada and are interested in a puppy or kitten, we can find a volunteer transporter who will bring the new addition to an airport close to your home. When adopting one of our dogs or cats, we request that you complete an adoption application and an adoption agreement. Our available animals can be seen on [Petfinder](#) and our [Facebook](#) page.

## **Veterinary Services in Aruba**

### **Animal Care Clinic**

Website: [www.acc-aruba.com](http://www.acc-aruba.com) Email: [info@acc-aruba.com](mailto:info@acc-aruba.com)

Location: Paradera 177-A **Oranjestad**, Aruba - Phone: 582-8382

### **Contreras Veterinary Services**

Phone: 587-0917 Website: [www.convetaruba.com](http://www.convetaruba.com) Email: [convet@setarnet.aw](mailto:convet@setarnet.aw)

### **Veterinaire Klineken Aruba**

Phone: 582-1720 Website: [www.arubavets.com](http://www.arubavets.com) Email: <http://www.arubavets.com/contact/contact.php>

Location: Wayaca 128 **Wayaca**, Aruba - Phone: 582-1720

Location: Noord 50 b **Noord**, Aruba - Phone: 587-0911

Location: Pastor Hendrikstraat 53 **San Nicolas**, Aruba - Phone: 584-6855

## **Will my Cell Phone work in Aruba**

Your cell phone will work here but check on roaming charges. Contact your local service provider before traveling to Aruba. It is possible to rent a cell phone right at the airport in the arrivals terminal. A deposit and proper identification are required.

## **Calling from Aruba** (Dialing instructions)

**Placing a Local Call to a Landline Number:** telephone number - 3 to 7 digits (e.g. 123, 581-2345).

**Placing a Local Call to a Mobile Number:** telephone number -7 digits (e.g. 591-2345).

**Placing an International Call to the Home Country:** 00 + country code + area code + telephone number.

**Placing an International Call to Another Destination:** 00 + country code + (area code +) telephone number

**Emergency Number:** 911

## **Calling Aruba from the United States**

011 - US exit code; must be dialed first for all international calls made from the USA

US to Aruba international dialing format: **011 + 297 + ??? ????**