Lufthansa Cargo: No transport of dogs and cats for use in animal experiments.
Regulation which has applied since 1 April to remain in force permanently

Lufthansa Cargo has further tightened up its strict regulations governing the transport of live animals. Since 1 April, the company has no longer transported dogs or cats which are intended for use in animal experiments. This regulation will thus remain in force permanently.

Lufthansa and Lufthansa Cargo traditionally submit themselves to strict conditions with respect to the transport of live animals. The “IATA Live Animals Regulations”, which also apply in Germany, merely represent minimal conditions for Lufthansa, which are even exceeded by internal quality measures. In addition, the national and international laws and regulations are precisely observed. Lufthansa Cargo also strictly complies with the restrictions on the transport of certain animals, for example, within the scope of the regulations of the “Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species” (CITES).

A self-imposed embargo for the transport of apes, as well as of whales and dolphins, has also been applied by Lufthansa Cargo for many years. On principle, Lufthansa Cargo does not transport any captured wild animals.

Lufthansa Cargo will also continue in future to stand for the professional and species-oriented transport of animals. Through the involvement of internationally-recognized experts for transport processes and Europe’s most modern animal station operated by Lufthansa Cargo at Frankfurt Airport, the company will guarantee and further improve the optimal transport of animals in future, too.

“Lufthansa Cargo is regarded by its customers worldwide as a highly professional transporter of live animals. Many companies and private individuals place their trust in our services because they know that with us their animals are in the best hands. This should and will continue to be the case in future. The decision not transport dogs and cats for animal experiments provides a further
signal that for us the focus is on the welfare of the animals”, says Axel Heitmann, Director Competence Center Animals at Lufthansa Cargo.

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Lufthansa Cargo ranks among the world’s leading cargo carriers. In the 2009 financial year, the airline transported around 1.5 million tonnes of freight and mail and clocked up 7.4 billion revenue tonne-kilometres. The Company currently employs about 4,500 people, worldwide. Lufthansa Cargo focuses on the airport-to-airport business. The cargo carrier serves some 300 destinations in 90 countries with its own fleet of freighters, the belly capacities of Lufthansa’s passenger aircraft and an extensive road services network. The bulk of the cargo business is routed through Frankfurt Airport. Lufthansa Cargo is a wholly-owned Lufthansa subsidiary. In the 2009 financial year, it posted revenues totalling 1.9 billion euros.

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