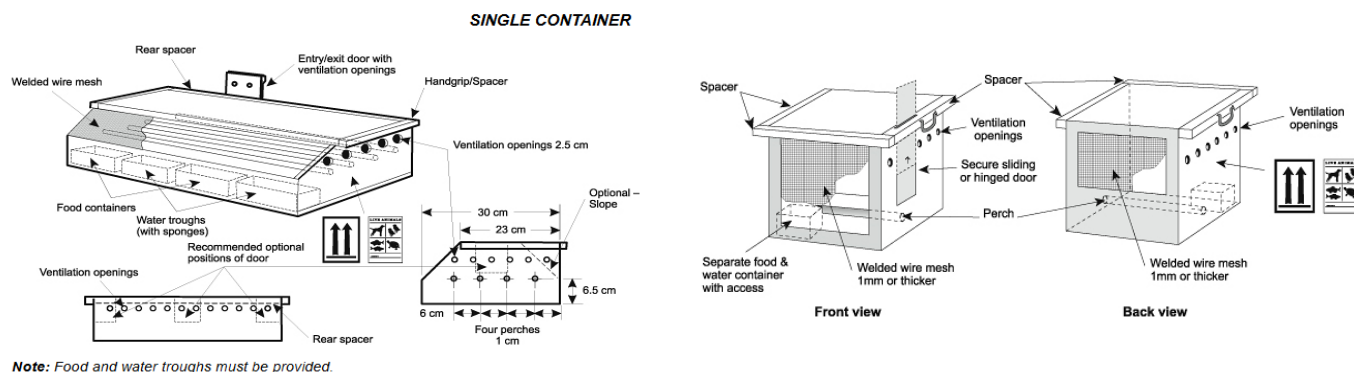




CONTAINER REQUIREMENTS FOR BIRDS

Sample diagrams of crate designs that meet requirements for IATA LAR CR#11-13 & 23

Refer to the latest IATA LAR for species-specific container requirements.



LIST OF REQUIREMENTS

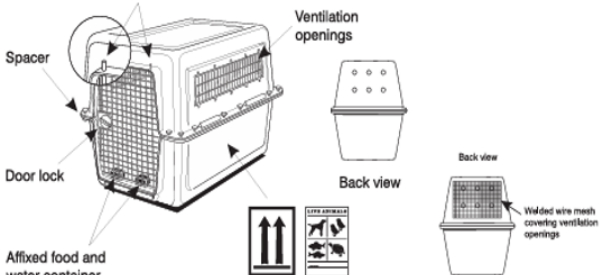
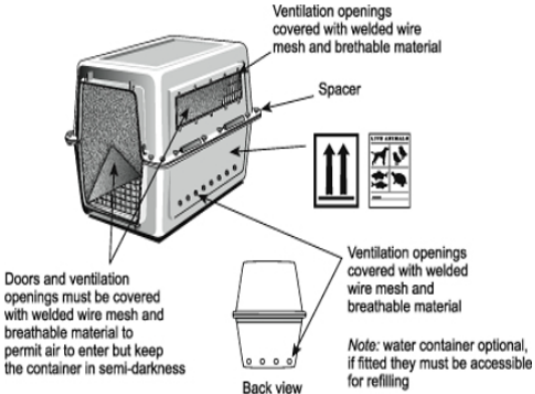
Construction	✓ Containers must be fully enclosed and made of strong, non-toxic materials (no treated wood). ✓ Must be durable, escape-proof, and able to withstand transport conditions. ✓ Must allow birds to stand upright or perch comfortably without risk of injury. ✓ Interior must be smooth and free of sharp projections. ✓ Must be clean, leak-proof, with appropriate bedding.
Perches	✓ Round perches must be provided for perching birds, with proper diameter for the birds to grip firmly and comfortably. ✓ All birds must be able to perch at the same time with proper spacing. ✓ Must be positioned to prevent contamination of food, water, or birds below, and allow birds to stand upright in natural posture with head clear of the roof and tail off the floor.
Ventilation	✓ Required on at least three sides, in the upper section. ✓ Must ensure adequate airflow while preventing escape or injury. ✓ All openings must be covered with wire mesh to prevent any part of the bird from protruding. ✓ Spacers/handles must be near ventilation openings to prevent blockage and allow safe handling.
Doors	✓ Must be secure, tamper-proof, and prevent accidental opening. ✓ Must be constructed of strong metal (plastic not permitted).
Curtains	✓ Lightweight, breathable curtains are optional. If used, they must cover exterior ventilation openings and be permanently attached to the top only, leaving the other three sides unattached.
Stocking Density	✓ Birds must be spaced appropriately to ensure adequate room per individual. ✓ Must allow natural posture, including standing upright or perching comfortably. ✓ Container size must be appropriate to the species and bird size.
Food/Water	✓ Provide separate food and water troughs, fixed or attached and easy to refill from outside the container. ✓ Shipper must provide written feeding and watering instructions at acceptance. ✓ If required for the journey, food must be supplied by the shipper.
Note: These are general IATA Live Animals Regulations (LAR) requirements for all bird species. Additional species-specific requirements may apply and must also be followed.	



BIRD SPECIES APPROVED FOR SHIPMENT IN RIGID PLASTIC PET CONTAINERS (CR1)

When this symbol  appears in a container requirement in Chapter 8 of the current IATA LAR, it indicates that rigid plastic containers are permitted. These must comply with all provisions of Container Requirements # 1 (CR1), along with all required modifications specified in the applicable species-specific container requirements (CR 11 to 23).

THE USE OF CR1 IS PERMITTED FOR THE BIRD SPECIES LISTED UNDER THE CONTAINER REQUIREMENTS BELOW.

CR 11 to 13, 15, 16, 18, and 21 to 23	CR 20 & 20a
Sample of modified CR1 (Which must include baseline requirements and required modifications listed below)	Sample of modified CR1 (Which must include lower ventilation, baseline requirements and required modifications listed below)
TYPICAL RIGID PLASTIC DOG CONTAINER Locking pins must engage the container beyond the extrusions by at least 1.6 cm (5/8 in) 	

BASELINE REQUIREMENTS FOR CR1

Structure & Security	✓ Solid roof & bottom (no doors or ventilation openings). ✓ Single door made of strong metal (plastic not permitted). ✓ Openings located in the upper two-thirds of all three sides. ✓ Top & bottom secured with metal nuts and bolts (all holes). ✓ No plastic clips, fasteners, or zip ties. ✓ All hardware is secure, properly installed, and in good condition.
Food & Water Receptacles	✓ Attached receptacles secured to the door and refillable from outside the container. ✓ Must meet all the food and water requirements listed on page 1.
Container Size	✓ All birds must be able to stand, turnabout, and rest/perch comfortably. ✓ Must meet all the density requirements listed on page 1.

REQUIRED MODIFICATIONS

Ventilation & Safety	✓ Wire mesh covering over all ventilation openings and doors to prevent any part of the bird from protruding.
Stress reduction	✓ Optional external light-reducing curtains covering exterior ventilation openings and permanently attached to the top only of the container.
For Perching Species	✓ Secure, round perches. ✓ Must meet all perching requirements listed on page 1.
For Non-Perching Species	✓ Non-slip flooring.