

Import of a species listed in CITES Appendices

About the Service

This service enables individuals and companies to apply for the import certificate for live animal and plant species and their derivatives that listed in CITES convention appendices. The validity of certificate is one year from the date of issuance, then check on the consignment when it arrives in the country at the port of entry and release it after ensuring that it complies with all import requirements

Service Process

Required Documents

- For import species or derivatives or products listed in Appendix I: 1. A preliminary approval letter OR CITES certificate of Export or Re-Export OR
- letter from a breeding center in the exporting (or origin) country including the identification marks such as ring, microchip or tag. (Not mandatory)
- For import species or derivatives or products listed in Appendix II or III: 1. CITES Export or Re-Export certificate from the exporting country.
- 2. In the case of importing plants listed in Appendix II and industrially produced from countries certified by CITES,
- a copy of the phytosanitary certificate shall be attached indicating that the species is included in the CITES appendix as an alternative certificate for CITES certification.
- Treated Animal derivatives 1. CITES export or re-export certificate from the exporting country.
- 2. A certificate stating that the consignment has been treated in one of the ways recommended in the OIE to eliminate pathogens.
- In case of import to participate in exhibitions and circus 1. No objection certificate from the sponsor or organization.
- 2. CITES export or re-export certificates from the exporting country, indicating the identification mark. 3. Approval of the competent authority to organize exhibitions for live animals.

Conditions & Requirements

1. The customer shall comply with the provisions of Law No. 11 of 2002 on the regulation of international trade in Endangered species of Fauna and Flora. CITES Certificate includes a maximum four species only. Certificates are issued for one shipment only. Ensure that the exporting country does not have a trade ban on the CITES website. To import caviar listed on the CITES Appendix, a caviar universal labelling system must be attached. In case of import from Appendix I for commercial purposes, the breeding centers or nurseries must be registered in CITES website. In case of import from a non-CITES party, a permit or certificate shall be attached from the competent authorities listed in the CITES website. The provisions of veterinary and agricultural quarantine shall be applied on all shipments. All consignments shall be entered through the approved border ports in the UAE and the release certificate for the veterinary and agricultural consignments shall be obtained electronically. The provisions of Ministerial Decree No. 335 of 2018 on regulating the importation of live animals, their products and their by-products and Federal Law No. 22 of 2016 on regulating the Possession of Dangerous Animals and its executive regulations and its Amended shall be applied on all shipments. In case of transiting, unloaded and reloaded specimens in the state: - It is not required a permit, certificate, or any other document from the ministry (Administrative Authority). - Any specimen may be tested to verify the existence of a permit of export issued by the Administrative authority in the exporting or re-exporting State in accordance with the provisions set forth in the CITES Convention. Additional Information: Addresses of the administrative authorities for CITES parties. [Click here](#) To search if the species or specimen listed in the CITES appendices. [Click here](#)

Service completion duration

- 2 Days

Service channels

MOCCAE

Ministry of Climate change & Environment Website

Jabel Ali Port Center for Agricultural and Veterinary Quarantine

Dubai Airport Cargo village Center for Veterinary Quarantine

Dubai Airport Free Zone Center for Veterinary Quarantine

Dubai Flower Center for Agricultural Quarantine

Zayed International Airport Center for Agricultural and veterinary Quarantine

Khalifa Port Center for Agricultural and veterinary Quarantine

Khatm Al Shaklah Center for Agricultural and veterinary Quarantine

Mazyad Center for Agricultural and veterinary Quarantine

Al Guwaifat Center for Agricultural and veterinary Quarantine

Hatta Center for Agricultural and Veterinary Quarantine

Al Maktoum Airport Center for Agricultural and Veterinary Quarantine

Khalid Port Center for Agricultural and Veterinary Quarantine

Sharjah Airport Center for Agricultural and Veterinary Quarantine

Service Code

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