



**CONVENTION ON
INTERNATIONAL TRADE IN
ENDANGERED SPECIES OF
WILD FAUNA AND FLORA**

**IMPORT
PERMIT**

1. Original Permit/Certificate No.
11US082589/9

2. Valid until
06/05/2012

3. Permittee (name and address, country)
NATIONAL MARINE FISHERIES SERVICE
OFFICE OF PROTECTED RESOURCES
MM HEALTH AND STRANDING RESPONSE PROGRAM
1315 EAST WEST HIGHWAY
SILVER SPRING, MD 20910
U.S.A.

4. Consignor (name and address, country)
National Marine Fisheries Service
c/o Dr. Jeremiah T. Saliki
Athens Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory, University of Georgia
501 DW Brooks Drive
Athens, GA 30602
U.S.A.

5. Special Conditions
MUST COMPLY WITH ENCLOSED GENERAL AND ATTACHED SPECIAL PERMIT CONDITIONS.

MAY COPY FOR MULTIPLE USE; PERMITTEE TO RETAIN ORIGINAL AND COMPLETE A COPY TO SUBMIT TO THE USFWS INSP. UPON IMPORT.

FOR EACH IMPORT, COMPLETE BLOCKS 4, and BLOCK A &/OR C 11 AND 12

FOR EACH INTRODUCTION FROM THE SEA, WRITE "Introduction from the Sea" IN BLOCK 4, AND COMPLETE BLOCK B &/OR D 11.

EACH IMPORT SHIPMENT MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY THE FOREIGN CITES EXPORT PERMIT.

A COPY OF CURRENT NMFIS/USFWS JOINT PERMIT #932-1905/MA009526 ISSUED UNDER THE MARINE MAMMAL PROTECTION ACT & U.S. ENDANGERED SPECIES ACT MUST BE PRESENTED TO THE USFWS INSPECTOR AT THE TIME OF IMPORT.

THIS RE-ISSUES AND AMENDS 10US082589/9 ISSUED 01/29/2010.

5a. Purpose of Transaction
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6. U.S. Management Authority
DIVISION OF MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY
U.S. FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20240
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA



06/06/2011
Issuing Date United States Management Authority
AUTHORITY: Endangered Species Act of 1973 (16 USC 1531 et. seq.)

-May not be used for commercial purposes. For live animals, only valid if the transport conditions comply with the CITES Guidelines for Transport of Live Animals or, in the case of air transport, with IATA Live Animals Regulations.

7/8. Common Name and Scientific name (genus and species) of Animal or Plant	9. Description of Part or Derivative, including identifying marks or numbers (age/sex if live)	10. Appendix No. and Source
A. Common Name WHALES, DOLPHINS ALL CETACEANS Scientific Name CETACEA	9. IMPORT: DEAD, SALVAGED PARTS OR SURPLUS MATERIAL COLLECTED FROM LIVE ANIMALS. Blood in EDTA	10. 1 W 11. Quantity (including units) 20 tubes of 5 ml NO 12. Country of Origin SB
B. Common Name WHALES, DOLPHINS ALL CETACEANS Scientific Name CETACEA	9. INTRODUCTION FROM THE SEA: DEAD, SALVAGED PARTS OR SURPLUS MATERIAL COLLECTED FROM LIVE ANIMALS. Serum	10. 1,2 W 11. Quantity (including units) 20 tubes of 1 ml NO 12. Country of Origin SB
C. Common Name (SUBORDER) SEALS, SEA LIONS Scientific Name PINNIPEDIA	9. IMPORT: DEAD, SALVAGED PARTS OR SURPLUS MATERIAL COLLECTED FROM LIVE ANIMALS; EXCLUDES WALRUS (Odobenus rosmarus).	10. 1 W 11. Quantity (including units) NO 12. Country of Origin
D. Common Name (SUBORDER) SEALS, SEA LIONS Scientific Name PINNIPEDIA	9. INTRODUCTION FROM THE SEA: DEAD, SALVAGED PARTS OR SURPLUS MATERIAL COLLECTED FROM LIVE ANIMALS; EXCLUDES WALRUS (Odobenus rosmarus).	10. 1,2 W 11. Quantity (including units) NO 12. Country of Origin
E. Common Name [REDACTED] Scientific Name [REDACTED]	9. [REDACTED]	10. [REDACTED] 11. Quantity (including units) [REDACTED] 12. Country of Origin [REDACTED]



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SPECIAL PERMIT CONDITIONS

- 1) **The Permittee must ensure that any persons conducting activities under this permit are aware of and knowledgeable about the limitations and conditions of this permit and how to properly use this permit/certificate at the US port of entry.**
- 2) **For each import and/or introduction from the sea, Permittee must submit to a US Fish and Wildlife Service, Office of Law Enforcement, Wildlife Inspection Office a copy of the completed permit, a copy of the current NMFS/USFWS joint permit # 932-1905/MA009526, a completed Declaration of Importation (Form 3-177), and, in the case of import, the foreign CITES export permit or re-export certificate. The Permittee and consignee names on import and export documents must match, and the foreign export permit must be properly validated by the country of export.**
 - a) On all (foreign) country of origin CITES export permits,
 1. The exporter must be either, the foreign entity; or "National Marine Fisheries Service, Office of Protected Resources, MM Health and Stranding Response Program, c/o the foreign entity."
 2. The recipient ("importer" or "destination") must be either "National Marine Fisheries Service, Office of Protected Resources, MM Health and Stranding Response Program", or the "U.S. entity, c/o National Marine Fisheries Service, Office of Protected Resources, MM Health and Stranding Response Program."
 - b) On the US import permit, block 4 must be completed with either the foreign entity or the name of "National Marine Fisheries Service, Office of Protected Resources, MM Health and Stranding Response Program, c/o the foreign entity."
 - c) All export documents must be properly validated by the country of export prior to export or the export shipment will be considered unlawful.
 - d) All export documents and import documents must be stamped "CANCELED" at the time that the shipment is brought into the United States or the activity will be considered unlawful.
 - e) For each activity, the USFWS Declaration for Importation or Exportation of Fish or Wildlife Form 3-177 must list the same U.S. Importer of Record and the same foreign exporter as named on the permits.

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1. Block 13a must indicate the complete name, address (in the United States), e-mail address, if applicable, and telephone number of the U.S. importer (National Marine Fisheries Service, Office of Protected Resources, MM Health and Stranding Response Program).
 2. Block 14a must indicate the complete name, address (in the foreign country), and telephone number of the foreign exporter.
 3. All USFWS Declaration for Importation or Exportation of Fish or Wildlife Form 3-177s for each importation must be stamped "CLEARED" by a USFWS Wildlife Inspector or the activity will be considered unlawful.
- f) The permittee is to retain a copy of the USFWS Declaration for Importation or Exportation of Fish or Wildlife Form 3-177 filed at the time of clearance and inspection of the consignment.
- 3) Non-compliant use of this and other permits might have a negative impact when considering the issuance or renewal of future permits.
 - 4) No animals may intentionally be killed for the purpose of collecting specimens, and no remunerations, either financial or in-kind, may be offered for the taking of animals from the wild. This does not preclude legitimate collection and transportation expenses (e.g., hiring staff, freight costs). It does, however apply to paying bounties or incentive pay for the removal of animals from the wild.
- 5) Invasive Sampling, Live Animals:**
- a) All invasively collected samples must be collected by permittee institution biologists, or individuals trained in the appropriate techniques and specifically pre-approved in writing by the coordinator of the Marine Mammal Health and Stranding Response Program. These written approvals must remain on file at a designated repository at permittee institution for a period of 5 years.
 - b) Importation of samples collected prior to the issuance of this permit are authorized if the samples were collected by qualified individuals properly trained in the collection techniques and adequate documentation is available on when, where, and by whom the samples were collected.

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- c) Care must be taken when handling live animals to minimize any possibility of injury to the animals. If, for any reason, any animal in the wild dies or incurs a debilitating injury while the samples are being collected, further collection of samples must be suspended until methods are evaluated and, if appropriate, modified to prevent further incidences of injury or death. If two or more animals die or incur debilitating injuries within a 6-month period, sample collection must be suspended and the DMA contacted (fax: 703-358-2281) for a review of the procedures. Further sampling must remain suspended until DMA authorizes the continuation with any necessary modification to prevent further incidences of injury or death.
- 6) **Salvaged specimens:** Import and Introduction from the Sea of such specimens is authorized provided:
- a) The samples were collected from dead animals that were not killed intentionally (died of causes unrelated either to the collection of samples or the capture of the animal for the purpose of obtaining samples). Samples collected from animals that accidentally died as the result of capture for reasons *other than* the collection of samples (*i.e.*, capture for the translocation or radio-collaring) would be considered salvage.
- b) Salvage materials resulting from fishery activities, aboriginal takes, or management programs are restricted to specimens that have already been taken, and the permittee may not encourage in any way the taking of any animals to obtain specific specimens.
- c) Salvage materials resulting from research may only be imported if MMHSRP staff member are directly involved so as to ensure compliance with salvage provisions or if cetacean specimens are collected as part of a specific research program approved by the Scientific Committee of the International Whaling Commission.

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- 7) **Record Maintenance:** The permittee must maintain a record of all activities conducted within the effective time period of this permit, and it must be presented to DMA (4401 N. Fairfax Dr. Room 212, Arlington, VA 22203) with each re-issuance request (or upon termination of the permit). This record should include for each import and introduction from the sea:
- a) the species, number, and type(s) of specimens,
 - b) date(s) collected,
 - c) date shipped,
 - d) location(s) of collection,
 - e) who collected the sample(s),
 - f) conditions under which samples were collected (salvage, captive-held or wild-caught),
 - g) authorizing government agency,
 - h) any mortalities or debilitating injuries that may have occurred as a result, directly or indirectly, of the collection activities,
 - i) copies of the completed and canceled import permit used for each importation,
 - j) copies of the validated and cancelled foreign export permit associated with each importation,
 - k) copies of all cleared "Declaration for Importation or Exportation of Fish or Wildlife" Forms (3-177) associated with each importation, and
 - l) a complete description of the actions National Marine Fisheries Service, Office of Protected Resources, MM Health and Stranding Response Program has implemented to ensure any persons conducting activities under this permit are aware of how to properly use this permit/certificate.

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