



# NOTICE TO THE WILDLIFE IMPORT/EXPORT COMMUNITY



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## **Subject: Changes to CITES Species Listings**

**Background:** Party countries of the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species (CITES) meet approximately every two years for a Conference of the Parties. During these meetings, countries review and vote on amendments to the listings of protected species in CITES Appendix I and Appendix II. Such amendments become effective 90 days after the last day of the meeting unless Party countries agree to delay implementation. The most recent Conference of the Parties (CoP 17) was held in Johannesburg, South Africa, September 24 – October 4, 2016.

**Action:** Except as noted below, the amendments to CITES Appendices I and II that were adopted at CoP 17, will be effective on January 2, 2017. Any specimens of these species imported into, or exported from, the United States **on or after January 2, 2017** will require CITES documentation as specified under the amended listings.

The import, export, or re-export of shipments of these species that are accompanied by CITES documents reflecting a pre-January 2 listing status or that lack CITES documents because no listing was previously in effect must be **completed by midnight** (local time at the point of import/export) **on January 1, 2017**.

Importers and exporters can find the official revised CITES appendices on the CITES website.

## **Species Added to Appendix I**

- *Abronia anzuetoi* (Alligator lizard)
- *Abronia campbelli* (Alligator lizard)
- *Abronia fimbriata* (Alligator lizard)
- *Abronia frosti* (Alligator lizard)
- *Abronia meledona* (Alligator lizard)
- *Cnemaspis psychedelica* (Psychedelic rock gecko)
- *Lygodactylus williamsi* (Turquoise dwarf gecko)
- *Telmatobius coleus* (Titicaca water frog)
- *Polymita* spp. (Land snail)

## **Species Added to Appendix II**

- *Capra caucasica* (Tur)
- *Abronia* spp. (Alligator lizard) – (A zero export quota for wild specimens for *Abronia aurita*, *A. gaiophantasma*, *A. montecristoi*, *A. salvadorensis* and *A. vasconcelosii*)
- *Rhampholeon* spp. (Pygmy or African leaf chameleon)
- *Rieppeleon* spp. (Pygmy chameleon)
- *Paroedura masobe* (Gecko)

- *Lanthanotidae spp.* (Earless monitor lizard) (A zero export quota for wild specimens has been established for commercial trade)
- *Atheris desaixi* (Bush viper)
- *Bitis worthingtoni* (Horned viper)
- *Bulnesia sarmientoi* *Cyclanorbis elegans*
- *Cyclanorbis senegalensis* (Flapshell turtle)
- *Cycloderma aubryi* (Flapshell turtle)
- *Cycloderma frenatum* (Flapshell turtle)
- *Rafetus euphraticus* (Softshell turtle)
- *Trionyx triunguis* (Softshell turtle)
- *Dyscophus guineti* (Tomato frog)
- *Dyscophus insularis* (Tomato frog)
- *Scaphiophryne boribory* (Rain frog)
- *Scaphiophryne marmorata* (Rain frog)
- *Scaphiophryne spinosa* (Rain frog)
- *Paramesotriton hongkongensis* (Newt) (**NOTE: Listed as Injurious under 50 CFR Part 16**)
- *Carcharhinus falciformis* (Silky shark) – Entry into effect of the inclusion in Appendix II delayed by 12 months, i.e. until 4 October 2017
- *Alopias spp.* (Thresher shark) – Entry into effect of the inclusion in Appendix II delayed by 12 months, i.e. until 4 October 2017
- *Mobula spp.* (Stingray) – Entry into effect of the inclusion in Appendix II delayed by 6 months, i.e. until 4 April 2017
- *Holacanthus clarionensis* (Clarion angelfish)
- *Nautilidae spp.* (Nautilus)
- *Beaucarnea spp.* (Elephant's foot or ponytail palm)
- *Dalbergia spp.* (Rosewood) (except for species included in Appendix I)  
All parts and derivatives are included, except:
  - a) Leaves, flowers, pollen, fruits, and seeds;
  - b) Non-commercial exports of a maximum total weight of 10 kg. per shipment;
  - c) Parts and derivatives of *Dalbergia cochinchinensis*, which are covered by Annotation # 4;
  - d) Parts and derivatives of *Dalbergia spp.* originating and exported from Mexico, which are covered by Annotation # 6.
- *Guibourtia demeusei* (Bubinga)  
All parts and derivatives are included, except:
  - a) Leaves, flowers, pollen, fruits, and seeds;
  - b) Non-commercial exports of a maximum total weight of 10 kg. per shipment;
  - c) Parts and derivatives of *Dalbergia cochinchinensis*, which are covered by Annotation # 4;
  - d) Parts and derivatives of *Dalbergia spp.* originating and exported from Mexico, which are covered by Annotation # 6.
- *Guibourtia pellegriniana* (Bubinga)  
All parts and derivatives are included, except:
  - a) Leaves, flowers, pollen, fruits, and seeds;
  - b) Non-commercial exports of a maximum total weight of 10 kg. per shipment;
  - c) Parts and derivatives of *Dalbergia cochinchinensis*, which are covered by Annotation # 4;
  - d) Parts and derivatives of *Dalbergia spp.* originating and exported from Mexico, which are covered by Annotation # 6.)

- *Guibourtia tessmannii* (Bubinga)  
All parts and derivatives are included, except;
  - a) Leaves, flowers, pollen, fruits, and seeds;
  - b) Non-commercial exports of a maximum total weight of 10 kg. per shipment;
  - c) Parts and derivatives of *Dalbergia cochinchinensis*, which are covered by Annotation # 4;
  - d) Parts and derivatives of *Dalbergia spp.* originating and exported from Mexico, which are covered by Annotation # 6.)
- *Pterocarpus erinaceus* (Kosso or African rosewood)
- *Adansonia grandidieri* (Baobab) (Seeds, fruits, oil and live plants)
- *Siphonochilus aethiopicus* (African ginger) – (Populations of Mozambique, South Africa, Swaziland and Zimbabwe)

### **Species Transferred from Appendix I to Appendix II**

- *Puma concolor coryi* (Florida cougar) (**NOTE: Listed as Endangered**)
- *Puma concolor cougar* (Cougar) (**NOTE: Listed as Endangered**)
- *Equus zebra zebra* (Mountain Zebra) (**NOTE: Listed as Endangered**)
- *Lichenostomus melanops cassidix* (Helmeted honeyeater) (**NOTE: Listed as Endangered**)
- *Ninox novaeseelandiae undulate* (Norfolk boobook)
- *Crocodylus acutus* (Population of the Integrated Management District of Mangroves of the Bay of Cispata, Tinajones, La Balsa and Surrounding Areas, Department of Córdoba, Colombia) (**NOTE: Listed as Endangered and Threatened – depending on population**)
- *Crocodylus porosus* (Population of Malaysia) (Wild harvest restricted to the State of Sarawak; zero quota for wild specimens for the other States of Malaysia (Sabah and Peninsular Malaysia), with no change in the zero quota unless approved by the Parties) (**NOTE: Listed as Endangered and Threatened – depending on population**)
- *Dyscophus antongilii* (Tomato frog)

### **Species Transferred from Appendix II to Appendix I**

- *Manis crassicaudata* (Pangolin)
- *Manis culionensis* (Pangolin)
- *Manis gigantea* (Pangolin)
- *Manis javanica* (Pangolin)
- *Manis pentadactyla* (Pangolin)
- *Manis temminckii* (Pangolin) (**NOTE: Listed as Endangered**)
- *Manis tetradactyla* (Pangolin)
- *Manis tricuspis* (Pangolin)
- *Macaca Sylvanus* (Barbary macaque)
- *Psittacus erithacus* (African grey parrot)
- *Shinisaurus crocodilurus* (Chinese crocodile lizard)
- *Sclerocactus blainei* (Cactus) – The name was amended to follow the standard nomenclature adopted by the Conference of the Parties in Resolution Conf. 12.11 (Rev. CoP17).
- *Sclerocactus cloverae* (Cactus) – The name was amended to follow the standard nomenclature adopted by the Conference of the Parties in Resolution Conf. 12.11 (Rev. CoP17).
- *Sclerocactus sileri* (Cactus)

### Species Deleted from the Appendices

- *Bison bison athabasca* (Wood bison) (**NOTE: Listed as Threatened**)
- *Tillandsia mauryanab* (Plant – No English common name)

### Amended or New Annotations for Current Species Listings

- *Vicugna vicugna* (Vicuna) (**NOTE: Listed as Endangered and Threatened – depending on population**)

Replacement of the existing annotations to the populations of Argentina, Chile, Ecuador, Peru and the Plurinational State of Bolivia of the above taxon by the following: The exclusive purpose of this annotation is to allow international trade in fibre from vicuñas (*Vicugna vicugna*) and its derivative products, only if the fibre comes from the shearing of live vicuñas. Trade in products derived from the fibre can only take place in accordance with the following provisions:

1. Any person or entity processing vicuña fibre to manufacture cloth and garments must request authorization from the relevant authorities of the country of origin (the countries where the species occurs, that is, Argentina, Bolivia, Chile, Ecuador and Peru) to use the "vicuña country of origin" wording, mark or logo adopted by the range States of the species that are signatories to the Convention for the Conservation and Management of the Vicuña.

2. Marketed cloth or garments must be marked or identified in accordance with the following provisions:

2.1 For international trade in cloth made from live-sheared vicuña fibre, whether the cloth was produced inside or outside the range States of the species, the wording, mark or logo must be used so that the country of origin can be identified. The VICUÑA [COUNTRY OF ORIGIN] wording, mark or logo should take on the form as described below:



The wording, mark or logo must appear on the reverse side of the cloth. In addition, the selvages of the cloth must bear the words VICUÑA [COUNTRY OF ORIGIN].

2.2 For international trade in garments made from live-sheared vicuña fibre, whether the garments were produced inside or outside the range States of the species, the wording, mark or logo indicated in paragraph 2.1 must be used. This wording, mark or logo must appear on a label in the garment itself. If the garments are produced outside the country of origin, the name of the country where the garment was produced should also be indicated, in addition to the wording, mark or logo referred to in paragraph 2.1.

3. For international trade in handicraft products made from live-sheared vicuña fibre produced inside the range States of the species, the VICUÑA [COUNTRY OF ORIGIN] - ARTESANÍA wording, mark or logo must be used as detailed below:



# VICUÑA [PAÍS DE ORIGEN] - ARTESANÍA

4. If live-sheared vicuña fibre from various countries of origin is used for the production of cloth and garments, the wording, mark or logo of each of the countries of origin of the fibre must be indicated, as detailed in paragraphs 2.1 and 2.2.

5. All other specimens shall be deemed to be specimens of species listed in Appendix I and the trade in them shall be regulated accordingly.

- *Panthera leo* (Lion) (African populations in Appendix II) **(NOTE: Listed as Endangered and Threatened – depending on population. See [50 CFR 17.40\(r\)](#))**

Maintenance in Appendix II of the above taxon with the addition of the following annotation: A zero annual export quota is established for specimens of bones, bone pieces, bone products, claws, skeletons, skulls and teeth removed from the wild and traded for commercial purposes. Annual export quotas for trade in bones, bone pieces, bone products, claws, skeletons, skulls and teeth for commercial purposes, derived from captive breeding operations in South Africa will be established and communicated annually to the CITES Secretariat.

- *Crocodylus moreletii* (Morelet's crocodile)

Deletion of the part of the existing annotation stating “zero quota for wild specimens traded for commercial purposes” in relation to the population of Mexico of the above taxon, so that the revised annotation reads as follows:

Except the population of Belize, which is included in Appendix II with a zero quota for wild specimens traded for commercial purposes, and the population of Mexico, which is included in Appendix II.

- *Aquilaria spp.* and *Gyrinops spp.* (Plants – no English common name)

Amendment of existing annotation #14 related to the above taxa to read as follows:

All parts and derivatives, except:

a) seeds and pollen;

b) seedling or tissue cultures obtained in vitro, in solid or liquid media, transported in sterile containers;

c) fruits;

d) leaves;

e) exhausted agarwood powder, including compressed powder in all shapes;

f) finished products packaged and ready for retail trade, this exemption does not apply to wood chips, beads, prayer beads and carvings.

- *Bulnesia sarmientoi* (Plant – no English common name)

Amendment of the existing annotation #11 related to the above taxon to read as follows:

Logs, sawn wood, veneer sheets, plywood, powder and extracts. Finished products containing such extracts as ingredients, including fragrances, are not considered to be covered by this annotation.

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