

**FILING INSTRUCTIONS FOR DECLARATION FOR IMPORTATION OR EXPORTATION OF FISH OR WILDLIFE (USFWS FORM 3-177)**

NOTE: Failure to file a declaration for importation or exportation of fish or wildlife when required by the regulations in 50 CFR Part 14 is a violation of the Endangered Species Act of 1973 as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 et. seq.). Regulations concerning the importation and exportation of wildlife may be found in [50 CFR Part 14](#). Form 3-177 must be filed with the appropriate wildlife inspection office, U.S. Customs and Border Protection office or regional law enforcement office as required under 50 CFR Part 14. **Do not** file or forward this form to the Information Collection Clearance Officer in Arlington, Virginia.

Instructions: We strongly encourage all filers to use the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service electronic filing system (eDecs) to reduce paper and time. Filers may access the internet filing system at <https://eDecs.fws.gov/>. Filers may also access an on-line Adobe Acrobat version of Form 3-177 ([http://www.fws.gov/le/pdf/3177\\_1.pdf](http://www.fws.gov/le/pdf/3177_1.pdf)) where the form can be filled in on-line and printed. Filers cannot save their completed on-line form unless they own the Adobe Acrobat software. For filers who choose to file a paper form, you must file the original declaration, and up to 2 copies to be retained by the Importer/Exporter or Broker. Print or type legibly. All filers are required to provide all relevant information, including supplemental documentation (as required in 50 CFR 14).

1. Enter the date of import into, or export from, United States jurisdiction (as defined by 50 CFR 14).
2. Enter the USFWS Import/Export License Number as required in 50 CFR 14.
3. Check the appropriate box.
4. Enter the appropriate 2-letter Port code from the list below. If the Port is not listed, use the numeric code for the Region where the port is located.

\*When using the numeric code, enter the name of the port. You must include a copy of your USFWS Designated Port Exception Permit in the document package, if applicable.

|                           |    |                          |    |                          |     |
|---------------------------|----|--------------------------|----|--------------------------|-----|
| Agana, GU                 | AG | Fort Lauderdale, FL      | FL | Philadelphia, PA         | PA  |
| Alcan, AK                 | AL | Grand Portage, MN        | GP | Phoenix, AZ              | PX  |
| Anchorage, AK             | AN | Highgate Springs, VT     | HS | Port Everglades, FL      | PE  |
| Atlanta, GA               | AT | Honolulu, HI             | HA | Port Huron, MI           | PH  |
| Baltimore, MD             | BA | Houlton, ME              | HO | Portal, ND               | PL  |
| Blaine, WA                | BL | Houston, TX              | HN | Portland, OR             | PT  |
| Boston, MA                | BO | International Falls, MN  | IF | Raymond, MT              | RY  |
| Brownsville, TX           | BV | Jackman, ME              | JK | Saipan, MP               | SP  |
| Buffalo/Niagara Falls, NY | BN | Jacksonville, FL         | JX | San Diego/San Ysidro, CA | SY  |
| Calais, ME                | CA | Juneau, AK               | JU | San Francisco, CA        | SF  |
| Calexico, CA              | CX | Laredo, TX               | LR | San Juan, PR             | SJ  |
| Champlain, NY             | CP | Las Vegas, NV            | LV | San Luis, AZ             | SL  |
| Charleston, SC            | CR | Los Angeles, CA          | LA | Sault Saint Marie, MI    | SS  |
| Chicago, IL               | CH | Louisville, KY           | LO | Savannah, GA             | SA  |
| Cleveland, OH             | CL | Lukeville, AZ            | LK | Seattle, WA              | SE  |
| Dallas/Fort Worth, TX     | DF | McAllen, TX              | MC | Sumas, WA                | SU  |
| Del Rio, TX               | DR | Memphis, TN              | ME | Sweetgrass, MT           | SW  |
| Denver, CO                | DN | Miami, FL                | MI | Tomillo, TX              | TN  |
| Derby Line, VT            | DL | Minneapolis/St. Paul, MN | MP | Tampa, FL                | TP  |
| Detroit, MI               | DE | Mobile, AL               | MB | Wilmington, NC           | WI  |
| Douglas, AZ               | DG | New Orleans, LA          | NO | Region 1 - Other         | *01 |
| Dulles, VA                | DU | New York, NY             | NY | Region 2 - Other         | *02 |
| Dunseith, ND              | DS | Newark, NJ               | NW | Region 3 - Other         | *03 |
| Eastport, ID              | EA | Nogales, AZ              | NG | Region 4 - Other         | *04 |
| El Paso, TX               | EL | Norfolk, VA              | NF | Region 5 - Other         | *05 |
| Erlanger, KY              | ER | Orlando, FL              | OR | Region 6 - Other         | *06 |
| Fairbanks, AK             | FB | Oroville, WA             | OV | Region 7 - Other         | *07 |
| Fernandina Beach, FL      | FL | Pembina, ND              | PB | Region 8 - Other         | *08 |

5. Enter the appropriate one-letter Purpose Code from the list below

|   |   |                  |   |   |   |
|---|---|------------------|---|---|---|
| Biomedical research                             | M | Commercial       | T | Reintroduction/introduction into the wild | Y |
| Botanical Gardens                               | G | Educational      | E | Scientific                                | S |
| Breeding in captivity or artificial propagation | B | Hunting trophies | H | Zoos                                      | Z |
| Circuses/traveling exhibitions                  | Q | Personal         | P |   |   |

6. Enter the U.S. Customs and Border Protection document reference number(s) associated with the import or export, if applicable. For exports, enter any shipper's export declaration reference number, if applicable.
7. Enter the name of the carrier used to import or export – (airline, vessel, rail or truck company), or indicate personally owned vehicle.
8. Enter the Master and House Air Waybill number or Bill of Lading, if applicable.
9. Enter the applicable one-letter Transportation Code from the list below. For personal vehicles, also indicate the license plate number and State or Province.

|                         |   |                               |   |                                     |   |
|-------------------------|---|-------------------------------|---|-------------------------------------|---|
| Air cargo               | A | Ocean cargo                   | O | Rail                                | R |
| Border crossing on foot | B | Personal accompanying baggage | P | Truck (or other commercial vehicle) | T |
| Mail                    | M |                               |   | Personal vehicle                    | V |

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10. Enter the customs bonded physical location where the shipment is available for inspection.
11. Indicate the quantity of cartons in the entire shipment that contain wildlife.
12. List any unique markings or codes on cartons that contain wildlife as required in 50 CFR Part 14.
- 13a. Check the appropriate box to indicate U.S. importer or exporter. Enter the complete name, address (in the United States), e-mail address, if applicable, and telephone number of the U.S. importer or exporter.
- 13b. Enter an identifier number and the type of identifier (for example, DUNS number, U.S. Customs and Border Protection account number) for the U.S. Importer or Exporter, if applicable.
- 14a. Enter the complete name, address (in the foreign country), and telephone number of the foreign importer or exporter. Enter the e-mail address if applicable.
- 14b. Enter the applicable two letter ISO (International Organization for Standardization) country code from the list below.

|                                   |    |                               |    |  |    |
|-----------------------------------|----|-------------------------------|----|--|----|
| Afghanistan                       | AF | Croatia                       | HR | Ireland, Northern                                    | GB |
| Åland Islands                     | AX | Cuba                          | CU | Isle of Man  | IM |
| Albania                           | AL | Curacao                       | CW | Israel   | IL |
| Algeria                           | DZ | Cyprus                        | CY | Italy  | IT |
| Andorra                           | AD | Czech Republic                | CZ | Ivory Coast  | CI |
| Angola                            | AO | Democratic Republic of Congo  | CD | Jamaica  | JM |
| Anguilla                          | AI | Denmark                       | DK | Japan  | JP |
| Antarctica                        | AQ | Djibouti                      | DJ | Jersey   | JE |
| Antigua and Barbuda               | AG | Dominica                      | DM | Jordan   | JO |
| Argentina                         | AR | Dominican Republic            | DO | Kazakhstan   | KZ |
| Armenia                           | AM | Ecuador                       | EC | Kenya  | KE |
| Aruba                             | AW | Egypt                         | EG | Kiribati   | KI |
| Australia                         | AU | El Salvador                   | SV | Korea, Democratic People's Republic of (North Korea) | KP |
| Austria                           | AT | England                       | GB | Korea, Republic of (South Korea)                     | KR |
| Azerbaijan                        | AZ | Equatorial Guinea             | GQ | Kuwait   | KW |
| Bahamas                           | BS | Eritrea                       | ER | Kyrgyzstan   | KG |
| Bahrain                           | BH | Estonia                       | EE | Lao People's Democratic Republic                     | LA |
| Bangladesh                        | BD | Ethiopia                      | ET | Latvia   | LV |
| Barbados                          | BB | Falkland Islands (Malvinas)   | FK | Lebanon  | LB |
| Belarus                           | BY | Faroe Islands                 | FO | Lesotho  | LS |
| Belgium                           | BE | Fiji                          | FJ | Liberia  | LR |
| Belize                            | BZ | Finland                       | FI | Libyan Arab Jamahiriya                               | LY |
| Benin                             | BJ | France                        | FR | Liechtenstein  | LI |
| Bermuda                           | BM | French Guiana                 | GF | Lithuania  | LT |
| Bhutan                            | BT | French Polynesia (Tahiti)     | PF | Luxembourg   | LU |
| Bolivia                           | BO | French Southern Territories   | TF | Macao  | MO |
| Bonaire, Saint Eustatius and Saba | BQ | Gabon                         | GA | Macedonia  | MK |
| Bosnia and Herzegovina            | BA | Gambia                        | GM | Madagascar   | MG |
| Botswana                          | BW | Georgia                       | GE | Malawi   | MW |
| Bouvet Island                     | BV | Germany                       | DE | Malaysia   | MY |
| Brazil                            | BR | Ghana                         | GH | Maldives   | MV |
| British Indian Ocean Territory    | IO | Gibraltar                     | GI | Mali   | ML |
| British Virgin Islands            | VG | Great Britain                 | GB | Malta  | MT |
| Brunei Darussalam                 | BN | Greece                        | GR | Marshall Islands                                     | MH |
| Bulgaria                          | BG | Greenland                     | GL | Martinique   | MQ |
| Burkina Faso                      | BF | Grenada                       | GD | Mauritania   | MR |
| Burundi                           | BI | Guadeloupe                    | GP | Mauritius  | MU |
| Cambodia                          | KH | Guatemala                     | GT | Mayotte  | YT |
| Cameroon                          | CM | Guernsey                      | GG | Mexico   | MX |
| Canada                            | CA | Guinea                        | GN | Micronesia, Federated States of                      | FM |
| Cape Verde                        | CV | Guinea-Bissau                 | GW | Moldova, Republic of                                 | MD |
| Cayman Islands                    | KY | Guyana                        | GY | Monaco   | MC |
| Central African Republic          | CF | Haiti                         | HT | Mongolia   | MN |
| Chad                              | TD | Heard and McDonald Islands    | HM | Montenegro   | ME |
| Chile                             | CL | High Seas                     | ZZ | Montserrat   | MS |
| China, People's Republic of       | CN | Holy See (Vatican City State) | VA | Morocco  | MA |
| Christmas Island                  | CX | Honduras                      | HN | Mozambique   | MZ |
| Cocos (Keeling) Islands           | CC | Hong Kong                     | HK | Myanmar  | MM |
| Colombia                          | CO | Hungary                       | HU | Namibia  | NA |
| Comoros                           | KM | Iceland                       | IS | Nauru  | NR |
| Congo                             | CG | India                         | IN | Nepal  | NP |
| Congo, Democratic Republic of     | CD | Indonesia                     | ID | Netherlands  | NL |
| Cook Islands                      | CK | Iran, Islamic Republic of     | IR | Netherlands Antilles                                 | AN |
| Costa Rica                        | CR | Iraq                          | IQ | Neutral Zone   | NT |
| Cote d'Ivoire (Ivory Coast)       | CI | Ireland                       | IE |  |    |

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Country codes (continued)

|  |    |  |    |                           |    |
|--|----|--|----|---------------------------|----|
| New Caledonia                                | NC | Saint Vincent and the Grenadines         | VC | Thailand                  | TH |
| New Zealand                                  | NZ | Samoa                                    | WS | Timor-Leste               | TL |
| Nicaragua                                    | NI | San Marino                               | SM | Togo                      | TG |
| Niger  | NE | Sao Tome and Principe                    | ST | Tokelau                   | TK |
| Nigeria                                      | NG | Saudi Arabia                             | SA | Tonga                     | TO |
| Niue   | NU | Scotland                                 | GB | Trinidad and Tobago       | TT |
| Norfolk Island                               | NF | Senegal                                  | SN | Tunisia                   | TN |
| Norway                                       | NO | Serbia                                   | RS | Turkey                    | TR |
| Oman   | OM | Seychelles                               | SC | Turkmenistan              | TM |
| Pakistan                                     | PK | Sierra Leone                             | SL | Turks and Caicos Islands  | TC |
| Palau  | PW | Singapore                                | SG | Tuvalu                    | TV |
| Palestinian Territory, Occupied              | PS | Sint Maarten                             | SX | Uganda                    | UG |
| Panama                                       | PA | Slovakia                                 | SK | Ukraine                   | UA |
| Papua New Guinea                             | PG | Slovenia                                 | SI | United Arab Emirates      | AE |
| Paraguay                                     | PY | Solomon Islands                          | SB | United Kingdom            | GB |
| Peru   | PE | Somalia                                  | SO | United States of America  | US |
| Philippines                                  | PH | South Africa                             | ZA | Unknown                   | XX |
| Pitcairn                                     | PN | South Georgia and South Sandwich Islands | GS | Uruguay                   | UY |
| Poland                                       | PL | Spain                                    | ES | Uzbekistan                | UZ |
| Portugal                                     | PT | Sri Lanka                                | LK | Vanuatu                   | VU |
| Qatar  | QA | Sudan                                    | SD | Vatican City              | VA |
| Reunion                                      | RE | Suriname                                 | SR | Venezuela                 | VE |
| Romania                                      | RO | Svalbard and Jan Mayen                   | SJ | Viet Nam                  | VN |
| Russian Federation                           | RU | Swaziland                                | SZ | Virgin Islands, British   | VG |
| Rwanda                                       | RW | Sweden                                   | SE | Wales                     | GB |
| Saint Barthelemy                             | BL | Switzerland                              | CH | Wallis and Futuna Islands | WF |
| Saint Helena, Ascension and Tristan Da Cunha | SH | Syrian Arab Republic                     | SY | Western Sahara            | EH |
| Saint Kitts and Nevis                        | KN | Taiwan (Province of China)               | TW | Western Samoa             | WS |
| Saint Lucia                                  | LC | Tajikistan                               | TJ | Yemen                     | YE |
| Saint Martin                                 | MF | Tanzania, United Republic of             | TZ | Zambia                    | ZM |
| Saint Pierre and Miquelon                    | PM |  |    | Zimbabwe                  | ZW |

14c. Enter an identifier number and the type of identifier (for example, DUNS number, U.S. Customs and Border Protection account number) for the foreign Importer or Exporter, if applicable.

15a. Enter the business name of the appropriate agent, if applicable.

15b. Enter an identifier number and the type of identifier (for example, DUNS number, U.S. Customs and Border Protection account number) for the U.S. Customs Broker, Shipping Agent or Freight Forwarder, if applicable.

15c. Enter the contact information for the appropriate agent, including name, telephone and fax numbers, and e-mail address, if applicable

16a. List the scientific name for each species. This is a Latin name including genus and species (and sub-species, when required to determine if the fish or wildlife is protected at the subspecies level). Use multiple species lines if a species is associated with multiple permits or certificates, descriptions, sources, or countries of species origin.

16b. List the common name in English for each species in 16a.

17a. List the foreign CITES permit or certificate number for each species in 16a, if applicable. List one permit or certificate number per block. Use multiple species lines if a species is listed on more than one CITES permit or certificate.

17b. List the U.S. CITES permit or certificate number for each species in 16a, if applicable. List one permit or certificate number per block. Use multiple species lines if a species is listed on more than one CITES permit or certificate.

18a. Enter the applicable description code for each species in 16a from the list below.

|   |      |   |      |
|---|------|---|------|
| Baleen  | BAL* | Coral rock (live rock)                                  | ROC  |
| Bark (raw, dried, powdered, unprocessed)                            | BAR* | Culture of an artificially propagated plant             | CUL* |
| Bone piece (not manufactured)                                       | BOP* | Cutting (plant, including division)                     | CUT  |
| Bone product or carving   | BOC  | Dead animal (whole animal)                              | BOD* |
| Bone (including jaw, but not skull)                                 | BON* | Dead specimen (live specimen that died during shipment) | DEA  |
| Bulb, corm or tuber   | BUL  | Derivative (except those included elsewhere)            | DER* |
| Calipee (turtle cartilage for soup)                                 | CAL* | Dried plant   | DPL* |
| Carapace (raw or unworked)  | CAP* | Ear (except when part of whole trophy)                  | EAR* |
| Carving (other than bone, horn, or ivory)                           | CAR* | Egg (dead or blown, excluding caviar)                   | EGG* |
| Caviar (unfertilized dead processed eggs of sturgeon or paddlefish) | CAV* | Egg (live)  | EGL* |
| Chip (timber)   | CHP* | Eggshell (raw or worked)                                | ESH  |
| Claw (including talon)  | CLA* | Extract   | EXT* |
| Cloth   | CLO* | Feather   | FEA* |
| Coral (raw or unworked, excluding live or coral rock)               | COR* | Fiber (plant fiber, tennis racket string)               | FIB* |
| Coral product   | CPR  | Fin (fresh, frozen, or dried fin or part)               | FIN* |

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Description codes (continued)

|  |      |  |      |
|--|------|--|------|
| Fingerling (juvenile fish of one or two years age for the aquarium trade, operation)   | FIG* | Plate of fur skins (include rugs if made from several skins)   | PLA* |
| Flower   | FLO* | Plywood (material consisting of 3 or more sheets of wood glued and pressed one on another and generally disposed so that the grains are at an angle) | PLY* |
| Flower pot (made of tree fern or other plant fiber)  | FPT* | Powder   | POW* |
| Foot   | FOO* | Root (dead)  | ROO* |
| Frog leg   | LEG* | Rug (made from one skin only)  | RUG* |
| Fruit  | FRU* | Sawn wood (sawn lengthwise or produced by profile-chipping; normally exceeds 6mm in thickness)   | SAW* |
| Gall bladder   | GAB* | Scale (turtle, other reptile, fish, pangolin)  | SCA* |
| Gall   | GAL* | Seedling   | SDL* |
| Garment (excluding shoe or trim)   | GAR* | Seed   | SEE* |
| Genitalia (castrate and dried penis)   | GEN* | Shell product (from mollusc or turtle)   | SPR* |
| Graft rootstock  | GRS* | Shell (mollusc, raw or unworked)   | SHE* |
| Hair   | HAI* | Shoe (including boot)  | SHO* |
| Hair product (including paint brush)   | HAP* | Side (including flanks except tinga frames)  | SID* |
| Horn carving (including horn or antler product)  | HOC* | Skeleton (substantially whole)   | SKE* |
| Horn piece (not manufactured)  | HOP* | Skin piece (raw or tanned, including scraps)   | SKP* |
| Horn (substantially whole, including antler)   | HOR* | Skin (substantially whole, raw or tanned, including tinga frames).   | SKI* |
| Ivory carving  | IVC* | Skull (except when part of whole trophy)   | SKU* |
| Ivory jewelry  | IJW* | Soup   | SOU* |
| Ivory piano key (# of keys)  | KEY* | Specimen (scientific or museum, including blood, tissue, histological preparation)   | SPE* |
| Ivory piece (not manufactured, includes scraps)  | IVP* | Stem (plant)   | STE* |
| Jewelry (other than ivory)   | JWL* | Swim bladder (hydrostatic organ including isinglass, sturgeon glue)  | SWI* |
| Leather product (small manufactured, including belt, handbag, wallet, watch band)  | LPS* | Tail   | TAI* |
| Leather product (large manufactured, including briefcase, furniture, suitcase)   | LPL* | Teeth (excluding tusk)   | TEE* |
| Leaves   | LVS* | Timber (raw except log and sawn wood)  | TIM* |
| Live rock (coral rock)   | ROC* | Trim (shoe, garment, or decorative)  | TRI* |
| Live specimen  | LIV* | Trophy (all the parts of one animal, if they are exported together; e.g. horns, skull, cape, backskin, tail and feet constitute one trophy)          | TRO* |
| Log (all wood in the rough, whether or not stripped of bark or sapwood, or roughly squared, for processing into sawn wood, pulpwood or veneer) | LOG* | Tusk (substantially whole, worked or not)  | TUS* |
| Meat   | MEA* | Unspecified  | UNS* |
| Medicinal part or product  | MED* | Veneer (thin layers of wood of uniform thickness, usually less than 6mm)   | VEN* |
| Musk   | MUS* | Wax (including ambergris)  | WAX* |
| Nest (including product)   | NES* | Wing   | WNG* |
| Oil  | OIL* | Wood product (including furniture, rainsticks)   | WPR* |
| Piano with ivory keys (# of pianos)  | PIV* |  |      |

\* CITES recognized description code

18b. Enter the appropriate one-letter wildlife source code for each species in 16a from the list below.

|  |   |  |   |
|--|---|--|---|
| Plants that are artificially propagated, parts and derivatives   | A | Pre-convention specimens                               | O |
| Animals bred in captivity (from parents that mated in captivity)   | C | Specimens originating from a ranching operation        | R |
| CITES Appendix I animals or plants commercially bred or propagated in CITES registered facilities                          | D | Source unknown (lack of information must be justified) | U |
| Animals born in captivity (from parents that mated in the wild) or animals that do not qualify as captive-bred under CITES | F | Specimens taken from the wild                          | W |
| Confiscated or seized specimens  | I | Introduction from the sea                              | X |

19a. Enter the quantity of items containing wildlife, and unit of measure for each species in 16a from the list below. Multiply pairs by two.

|                           |    |               |    |             |    |
|---------------------------|----|---------------|----|-------------|----|
| Number (individual units) | NO | Meters        | MT | Grams       | GM |
| Centimeters               | CM | Square meters | M2 | Milligrams  | MG |
| Square centimeters        | C2 | Cubic meters  | M3 | Kilograms   | KG |
| Cubic centimeters         | C3 | Liters        | LT | Milliliters | ML |

19b. Indicate the total value of items containing wildlife in U.S. dollars (rounded to the nearest dollar) for each species in 16a.

20. Enter the two-letter ISO (International Organization for Standardization) code for the country where the animal was taken from the wild or where the animal was born.

21. Indicate whether each species of live wildlife identified in 16a is venomous.

22. Click the "Submit Now" button to submit your eDec. Clicking the "Submit Now" button and accepting the terms displayed is equivalent to signing the form.

Knowingly making a false statement may subject the declarant to the penalty provided by 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 16 U.S.C. 3372(d).