

**FILING INSTRUCTIONS FOR ELECTRONIC DECLARATION (eDecs) FOR IMPORTATION OR EXPORTATION OF FISH OR WILDLIFE**

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

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

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

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

10. Enter the customs bonded physical location where the shipment is available for inspection.

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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).