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Animal Health (Importation of Miscellaneous Goods and Animals) (Jersey) Order 2017

Application to Import Amphibians

To import amphibians, you must obtain a licence and abide by the conditions to prevent the spread of infectious diseases to Jersey's amphibian population. Please read the control of infectious disease notes located at the end of the form.

The amphibian must be placed into isolation upon arrival to Jersey and tested for Amphibian chytrid and will only be released upon the receipt of a negative result. Please note that a fee is chargeable for the disease testing.

It is the importers responsibility to check whether the Amphibian(s) you intend to import are listed under the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES). If they are listed you must obtain the relevant forms from this department and the country of export. For a full explanation about CITES, and for specific identification <u>www.cites.org</u> or contact the department for advice.

Please allow 10 working days for processing

Please note that it is illegal to import amphibians without a valid licence.

1. Importer details (the amphibian(s) final destination in Jersey)

Name:	
Address including post code	
Contact number:	Email:

2. Exporter details (where the amphibian(s) originate from)

Name:		
Address including post code		
Contact number:	Email:	

3. Transporter Details (if different from importer (1))

Name:		
Address including post code		
Contact number:	Ema	il:

4. **Species details** (Please continue on a separate sheet as necessary)

Common name of species	Latin Name Of Species	Quantity

5. Travel details

Airport arrival	Estimated date and time of arrival :	Flight number :
Port arrival	Estimated date and time of arrival :	Vehicle Registration :

Important information:

Before signing this form please read the following consent information carefully. It explains how your information will be used and provides a brief description of your rights under Jersey's Data Protection Law. For further information on how the Environment handles personal data please visit www.gov.je/howweuseyourinfo

Your consent:

I confirm and agree:

- That this application is made with my authority and the information supplied in this form is accurate to the best of my knowledge; I am aware that it's an offence to knowingly submit false or misleading information with an application.
- > To pay any costs incurred in relation to my application.
- To the information supplied in this form, together with any other accompanying information, to be used for the purpose of processing my application a licence to import Amphibians in accordance with Importation under the Animal Health (Importation of Miscellaneous Goods and Animals) (Jersey) Order 2017.

- That information provided in this form, together with any other accompanying information may be disclosed to the organisations listed below, where it is necessary. For example, to carry out compliance checks and investigations concerning breaches or potential breaches of law, for enforcement purposes and for providing statistical reports.
 - The approved ferry or air carrier transporting the amphibian to Jersey
 - Customs and Immigration Service
 - Other enforcement authorities in the Isle of Man, Bailiwick of Guernsey and the United Kingdom, EU and Third Countries
- That the information provided may also be used to control and/or eradicate a notifiable disease outbreak in Jersey.
- That the department will not use my personal information for any other purpose, without my permission, unless it is legally required to do so.
- I understand that under Jersey's Data Protection Law I have the right to withdraw my consent to the further processing of my information. However, I understand that this may cause delays in administering my application, affect the issue of a licence or cause me to be in breach of other legal requirements. (Should you wish to exercise this right please contact us on tel. 441600).

Importer Declaration

Signature:	Date:	
Name:		

Control of infectious diseases

These notes are intended to raise awareness and to assist with the control of infectious diseases.

There is great concern amongst biologists regarding the global threat of extinction to many populations of amphibians. Current threats are several and varied, but the largest threats commonly facing amphibians worldwide are that of Chytridiomycosis, a fungal disease of the skin and Rana Viruses, a group of highly infectious viruses that can decimate amphibian populations. Current research indicates that Jersey does not have these diseases and we want to ensure that they do not arrive here.

Jersey has three native, amphibian species; the agile frog *Rana dalmatina*; the common toad *Bufo bufo*; and the palmate newt *Triturus helveticus*. The agile frog is classed as threatened, and the common toad as vulnerable, therefore work is being carried out to conserve these important local populations.

The most likely way of disease arriving into the island is through the importation of infected animals, however symptoms can take time to show on infected animals. These diseases are highly contagious and could be disastrous should they reach our native populations.

We would be grateful if you could adhere to or assist with the following items.

- Ensure that alien species never come into contact with our native herpetofauna (reptiles and amphibians).
- Under no circumstances should alien species be released into the wild (including gardens).

- Notify the department if the amphibians in your garden become sick or die, we would be grateful for the corpse if possible.
- If your pet amphibian becomes sick you should contact your private veterinary surgeon. However, if your pet dies the department would be grateful for the corpse.
- Please ensure hygiene is excellent when maintaining your pet's terrarium. Do not dispose of any materials from your terrarium in a place where native herpetofauna can come into contact with it, this includes water, plant material, rocks and wood/bark etc. Any materials should be disposed of by double bagging and placed in your dustbin for incineration. Water should be flushed down the toilet.
- Wash your hands after handling alien species.
- Please ensure that clothing and shoes, used when working with alien species are not used when visiting the countryside.
- Herpetofauna may use your garden, therefore you should ensure that there is no transmission route for infectious disease from your animals to the wild.

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