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## **CONDITIONS GOVERNING THE IMPORTATION OF TROPICAL AQUARIUM FISH & OTHER AQUATIC SPECIES INTO THE CAYMAN ISLANDS**

Prior to applying for an import permit, prospective importers must first apply to the Department of Environment for permission to import live aquarium fish and other aquatic animal species.

All fish, fingerlings, fry gametes, eggs and other aquatic animal species entering the Cayman Islands **must** be accompanied by an Import Permit issued by the Cayman Islands Department of Agriculture and a completed Official International Aquatic Health Certificate issued within 14 days of arrival in the Cayman Islands.

The Official Aquatic Health Certificate must be endorsed by a full-time salaried Veterinary Officer of the National Government of the country from which the fish are to be exported, and must contain:

1. The common and scientific names of the species to be imported
2. The type of stock being imported (cultured, wild, fish, fry, gametes)
3. Origin of consignment
4. Number of fish or total weight of consignment
5. Name and address of consignor
6. Name and address of consignee
7. Health declaration\*:
  - a. The stock to be exported have been examined and as best as can be ascertained show no signs of infectious disease, parasitism or pathology
  - b. No case of disease caused by *Streptococcus iniae*, *Aeromonas hydrophilia* (*Furunculosis*), *Flexibacter columnaris* (*Columnaris disease*), *Trichodina spp.* or iridovirus has been diagnosed in the aquaculture establishment from which the stock has originated in the past six months, **OR**
  - c. The source establishment is free from the above-mentioned pathogens as demonstrated by laboratory examination of a statistically significant sample size.

\*Live copepods shall be exempt from health certificate requirements and shall not be subject to the obligation of obtaining or presenting a health certificate for purposes of import.



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## APPLICATION FOR THE IMPORTATION OF TROPICAL AQUARIUM FISH & OTHER AQUATIC SPECIES

CONSIGNOR'S DETAILS		CONSIGNEE'S DETAILS	
NAME		NAME	
ADDRESS		ADDRESS	
TEL	FAX	TEL	FAX

### CONSIGNMENT DETAILS

(Use additional sheet if necessary)

SCIENTIFIC NAME	COMMON NAME	LIFE STAGE <sup>1</sup>	NUMBER

<b>FINAL LOCATION:</b>
<b>INTENDED USE (e.g. ornamental, research, teaching)</b>

<sup>1</sup> e.g. Adults, juveniles, fingerlings, fry, larvae, eggs, gametes

### SHIPMENT DETAILS

(If not available 48 hours notice must be given of arrival of shipment)

AIRLINE/SHIPPING COMPANY	FLIGHT NUMBER/VESSEL NAME	EXPECTED DATE AND TIME OF ARRIVAL
SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT		

### OFFICE USE ONLY

Application Received: _____	Importer Notified: _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Health Certificate	Recommendations
<input type="checkbox"/> Approved <input type="checkbox"/> Denied	
	SIGNATURE _____