



## Private travelers

Control upon import of wild animals, plants and products thereof subject to regulations on species conservation (without import permit)

<b>Customs offices</b>	All customs offices where goods traffic is allowed
<b>Customs</b>	<p>The shipment must be announced at the customs office. The following documents must be presented:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➔ if applicable, the original of the CITES export permit from the country of provenance</li> <li>➔ the invoice/delivery note concerning the shipment</li> </ul> <p>The fee for the species conservation control is collected in advance by the customs office. The selected species conservation control office shall be pre-informed by customs.</p> <p>The opening hours and locations of the control offices are listed on the next page.</p>
<b>Species conservation control</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➔ <b>Documentation check</b></li> </ul> <p>For the following CITES product groups only a documentation check is required. The species conservation control offices reserve the right to order random physical checks:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Leather goods from animal species cited in CITES Appendices II and III</li> <li>➤ Products containing caviar extract</li> <li>➤ Blood or tissue samples from monkeys as per CITES Appendice II for the pharmaceutical industry</li> <li>➤ Products containing extract of orchids individually packed for retail</li> </ul> <p><b>Procedure:</b> The documents relating to the consignment (copy of import declaration, CITES export permit from the country of provenance, or the invoice/delivery note of the consignment must be submitted at the selected species conservation control office within 48 hours (two working days) of customs clearance.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➔ <b>Physical check</b></li> </ul> <p>All other products subject to the ordinance (SR 453.1) must, as before, be submitted to a species conservation control office within 48 hours (two working days) of customs clearance. The species conservation control office is informed in advance by customs.</p> <p><b>Procedure:</b> The consignment must be submitted so that it can be checked that the contents and accompanying documents conform to each other.</p> <p>The importer who is also responsible for repacking and loading the inspected consignment must provide technical aids (containers, etc.) that are not available at the species conservation control offices.</p> <p>The following documents must be submitted to the control office:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ For animal and plant products cited in CITES Appendices II and III: the original of the CITES export permit issued by the authorities of the country of provenance</li> <li>➤ For unprotected consignments the invoice/delivery note for the consignment</li> </ul>
<b>Animal health control</b>	Animals and products thereof from <b>outside</b> the EU, Norway and Island that are also subject to animal health legislation can only be presented at the airports of Zurich and Geneva.
<p>Consignments that do not meet the above-mentioned requirements will not be accepted for control and may be confiscated.</p>	



## Species protection inspection offices: opening hours and locations

<b>BASEL</b> Schlachthofstr. 55, 4056 Basel			<a href="mailto:cites@bs.ch">cites@bs.ch</a> Tel.: +41 61 267 58 58
Mon – Fri	09:30 – 11:30		

<b>GENEVA AIRPORT</b> 20 voie des Traz, bâtiment fret, 1218 Grand-Saconnex / GE			<a href="mailto:svf-aig@blv.admin.ch">svf-aig@blv.admin.ch</a> Tel.: +41 22 717 73 45
Mon – Fri	08:00 – 12:00	13:15 – 17:30	

<b>ZURICH AIRPORT</b> Bereich Fracht, nach Eingang 3			<a href="mailto:zsugd@blv.admin.ch">zsugd@blv.admin.ch</a> Tel.: +41 43 816 41 41
Mon – Fri	08:00 – 12:00	13:00 – 17:00	
Sun	by appointment		

<b>BERN</b> Federal Food Safety and Veterinary Office (FSVO), Schwarzenburgstr. 155, 3003 Bern			<a href="mailto:kontrollen@blv.admin.ch">kontrollen@blv.admin.ch</a> Tel.: +41 58 462 25 41
Mon – Fri	by appointment		

<b>CHIASSO</b> Servizio CITES c/o Ispettorato doganale Mendrisiotto, Via Rampa, 6830 Chiasso			<a href="mailto:cites-chiasso@blv.admin.ch">cites-chiasso@blv.admin.ch</a> Tel.: +41 58 465 65 24
Tue – Wed	09:30 – 12:30		
Thu – Fri		13:30 – 16:30	
Advance notice recommended			

<b>LE LOCLE</b> Le Crêt-du-Loche 10, 2304 La Chaux-de-Fonds			<a href="mailto:cites-leloche@blv.admin.ch">cites-leloche@blv.admin.ch</a> Tel.: +41 58 469 17 50
Mon – Fri	by appointment		