



## 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 medical purposes</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.
Consignments that do not meet the above-mentioned requirements will not be accepted for control and may be confiscated.	



## Species protection Inspection offices: opening hours and locations

<b>BASEL</b> <b>Schlachthofstr. 55, 4056 Basel</b>			<a href="mailto:kanzlei.vetamt@bs.ch">kanzlei.vetamt@bs.ch</a>
Mon – Fri	09.30 – 11.30		Tel.: 061 267 58 58

<b>GENEVA AIRPORT</b> <b>20 voie des Traz, bâtiment fret, 1218 Grand-Saconnex /GE</b>			<a href="mailto:svf-aig@blv.admin.ch">svf-aig@blv.admin.ch</a>
			Fax: 022 717 73 49
Mon – Fri	08.00 – 12.00	13.15 – 17.30	Tel.: 022 717 73 45

<b>ZURICH AIRPORT</b> <b>Freight Area, Entrance 3</b>			<a href="mailto:zsgtd@blv.admin.ch">zsgtd@blv.admin.ch</a>
			Fax: 043 816 41 40
Mon - Fri	08.00 – 12.00	13.00 – 17.00	Tel.: 043 816 41 41
Sun		<b>advance notice needed</b>	

<b>BERN</b> <b>Federal Food Safety and Veterinary Office FSVO</b> <b>Schwarzenburgstr. 155, 3003 Bern</b>			<a href="mailto:cites@blv.admin.ch">cites@blv.admin.ch</a>
		<b>advance notice needed</b>	Tel.: 058 462 25 41

<b>CHIASSO</b> <b>Servizio CITES c/o Ispettorato doganale Mendrisiotto</b> <b>Via Rampa, 6830 Chiasso</b>			<a href="mailto:cites-chiasso@blv.admin.ch">cites-chiasso@blv.admin.ch</a>
			Fax: 058 465 65 23
Mon	10.00 – 12.00		Tel.: 058 465 65 24
Tue + Wed	09.30 – 12.30		
Thu + Fri		13.30 – 16.30	

<b>LE LOCLE</b> <b>Rue de France 91, 2400 Le Locle</b>			<a href="mailto:cites-lelocle@blv.admin.ch">cites-lelocle@blv.admin.ch</a>
		<b>advance notice needed</b>	Tel.: 058 469 17 50