



**Species and number to be imported (List all species by common name)**

Office Use	Species	Number	Name and Address of Source
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(If additional space is needed, attach a supplemental sheet.)

Applicant's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**INSTRUCTIONS**

1. An Importation Permit is required in order to import or possess any wildlife species in Class I or II obtained outside the state of Tennessee. No permit is required to import or possess species identified as Class III. (See supplemental sheet listing species found in the various wildlife classes.)
2. An Importation Permit is required for all Class II fish species except the following:
  - (a) Goldfish
  - (b) Triploid Grass Carp
  - (c) Salmon - all species
  - (d) Species approved for fish farming
  - (e) Fish, crustaceans and aquatic snails held in aquaria
  - (f) Salt water mussels held in aquaria other than zebra mussels.
3. All information requested on the application must be completed accurately.
4. You may choose to purchase either an Importation Permit for one shipment of wildlife or an annual permit good for unlimited shipments for that year.
5. The following species may be legally released into the wild if approval is obtained **in advance** from the TWRA:
  - (a) Bobwhite Quail
  - (b) Red Fox
  - (c) Grey Fox
  - (d) Raccoon
  - (e) Non-native Game Birds
  - (f) Mallard Ducks
  - (g) Native species of fish—in private lakes and ponds
  - (h) Cottontail Rabbit
6. **It is illegal to release any other Class I, II, or III species into the wild. Wildlife that are released, except fish in private ponds, are regarded as part of Tennessee's wildlife populations and are no longer considered personal property.**
6. Additional permit(s) must be obtained to possess, propagate, or exhibit wildlife.
7. All bills of lading and shipping papers that relate to wildlife listed on this Importation Permit must be available for inspection at all times.
8. Individuals must comply with regulations that govern the interstate transport of wildlife. Some species may be regulated by the U.S. Department of Agriculture, U.S. Department of Interior, U.S. Department of Public Health, and the Tennessee Department of Agriculture.
9. All imported animals must be reported to the TWRA within 5 days after the shipment is received.
10. Wild Turkeys (including their eggs), whitetail deer, and American black bear are illegal to possess, propagate, or release in Tennessee, except under the authority of a zoo or wildlife rehabilitation permit.
11. All applications must be submitted with the proper fee in order to be processed.