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Title 70 Wildlife Resources  
Chapter 4 Miscellaneous Regulations  
Part 4 Exotic Animals

Tenn. Code Ann. § 70-4-411 (2015)

**70-4-411. Importation of wildlife -- Permits -- Papers.**

(a) All persons wishing to possess Classes I and II live wildlife obtained outside the state of Tennessee shall have in their possession the importation permit required by this part. The permit and all bills of lading and shipping papers relating to any wildlife that such person may have in such person's possession shall be open and available for inspection at all reasonable times by authorized agency officers and employees for the purpose of ensuring compliance with this part.

(b) Animals brought into this state under the authority of an annual importation permit must be reported to the agency within five (5) days of the date of importation.

(c) An importation permit is required for all interstate movement of live wildlife except Class III, except no permit is required for zoos and temporary exhibitors.

**HISTORY:** Acts 1991, ch. 487, § 1.