

Information You Need To Know

IMPORT PERMIT – Kangaroo Industry

Legislation

National Parks and Wildlife Act 1972 (Section 59)

National Parks and Wildlife (Wildlife) Regulations 2019

Overview

The Department for Environment and Water (DEW) is responsible for regulating the keeping and selling of native wildlife in accordance with the *National Parks and Wildlife Act 1972* ('the Act') and all Regulations and Proclamations made under the Act. A permit is required to import protected animals, or the carcasses or eggs or specimens of protected animals, into South Australia.

Under the Act it is an offence to import a protected animal without a permit. Maximum penalty \$2000.

Permit Description

The permit entitles the holder to transport into the State of South Australia (import), a protected animal, or the carcass or egg of a protected animal.

Policy statement

Regulating the movement of protected animals enables the Department to ensure that protected animals have been legally acquired, and to assist with safeguarding against biosecurity risks (e.g. disease prevention).

Animal welfare

The welfare of all native animals is important to DEW and the treatment of native animals must comply with the *Animal Welfare Act 1985* and any applicable code(s) of practice, animal welfare standards, guidelines or procedures where they exist.

Can the permit be transferred?

No. A permit is not transferable.

Will a permit be guaranteed?

Lodging an application does not guarantee approval and the issuing of a permit. You will be contacted if further information is required to complete the assessment.



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How long will it take to assess an application?

Please allow sufficient time for your application to be assessed. Assessment and approval of this application may take up to five (5) working days.

Fees

There are no fees applicable to this permit.

Import of Kangaroo Carcasses and Skins

For the import of kangaroo carcasses or skins legally acquired from an approved interstate Kangaroo Management Program, the applicant must be the holder of a Class 7 Permit to Sell Protected Animals (Kangaroo Meat Processor) or a Class 8 Permit to Sell Protected Animals (Tannery and Skins).

The Class 7 or 8 permit holder is permitted to receive multiple consignments and the sum total of all consignments received must not exceed the quantity per species that is specified in the permit.

Do I need to keep records?

Yes, if you are the holder of a Class 7 permit under Section 58 of the Act. You must record any imports in your meat processor return within 48 hours of receiving them, and submit this information in your monthly return to DEW within 14 days from the end of the calendar month.

How long does a permit last?

An import permit may have a duration of up to 3 months. The permit expires when the permitted number of animals or skins of each species, or the expiry date, is reached, whichever occurs first.

Lodging an application

Lodging an application does not guarantee approval of a permit. You will be contacted if further information is required to complete the assessment.

Please allow sufficient time prior to imports for your application to be assessed. Assessment and approval of this application may take up to five (5) working days.

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In addition to the limitations, restrictions and conditions included in the permit, the permit holder must also comply with the legislative and regulatory provisions which relate to the permit. A summary of the relevant provisions relating to Import Permit, is set out below. The legislation and regulations can be viewed in their entirety at www.legislation.sa.gov.au.

Construction and labelling of containers for transport of protected animals, carcasses or eggs (regulation 39)

A carcass (or skin) of a kangaroo must be transported in a container or package that is designed, constructed and maintained to withstand the process of transport and ensures the carcass or skin is protected against damage, deterioration, or unauthorised interference. Containers used to transport kangaroo carcasses or skins are exempt from labelling requirements.



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Kangaroos, emus, or their carcasses, not to be imported or exported without transport documentation (regulation 40)

Kangaroo carcasses or skins must not be imported without transport documentation, which must be provided to and carried by the vehicle driver. Transport documentation, whether in paper, electronic or any other form, must include:

- name, address and Import Permit number of the person importing the carcass or skin
- destination to which the carcass or skin is to be delivered
- name and address of the person who will have possession of the carcass or skin after delivery
- the species and total number of carcasses or skins transported
- if there is more than 1 species, the list of species and total number of carcasses or skins for each species.

The vehicle driver, or a person who has custody or control of the transport documentation, must, if requested by the Director or a warden, produce the transport documentation for inspection.

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