

Animal Health (Importation of Miscellaneous Goods and Animals) (Jersey) Order 2017

General Licence to import reptiles.

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Under Article 2(1)(b) of Animal Health (Importation of Miscellaneous Goods and Animals) (Jersey) Order 2017 no person shall import any reptiles unless imported in accordance with this general licence granted on behalf of the Minister for the Environment.

This licence revokes any previous general or specific licences issued to import Reptiles.

Importers must comply with the following conditions:

1. The animal health and welfare section of the department must be notified in writing, of the exact date and time of import* at least 24 hours prior to arrival. The notification form should be emailed to Pets@gov.je
2. The reptiles shall be transported confined in a suitable container with adequate ventilation from which they cannot escape. Exporters must comply with the welfare laws relating to the exporting country, and if transported by air, in accordance with International air Transport Association (IATA) standards.
3. The reptiles when landed shall be moved directly, in the container in which they landed, from the port of landing to the destination address above.
4. On arrival at the destination, the reptiles shall be isolated for **two weeks** at the premises.
5. The facility must:
 - be of an adequate size and design for the type and number of animals to be imported
 - be able to meet the animal welfare needs of the imported animals.
6. During the isolation the reptiles shall not be allowed to come into contact with any other reptiles unless similarly licensed.
7. Should the reptiles to which this licence relates die unexplained or be lost during transfer from the port of landing to the agreed final destination, the importer will report the death or loss to the Department of the Environment.

*** a notification form is available from the department or our website**

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You must also comply with Article 25 – (Requirements for General Licences)

(1) Where a licence is granted under any relevant legislation it must be in writing and may be –
(a) either of general application (a “**general licence**”) or specific to any particular animal, bird, person, premises or any other thing or particular situation (a “**specific licence**”);

- (b) subject to conditions; and
- (c) amended, suspended or revoked in writing at any time.
- (2) (This paragraph has been deleted as it refers to “specific licences”)
- (3) A person moving an animal, bird or thing under the authority of a **general licence** must –
 - (a) at all times during the movement, carry a document containing details of –
 - (i) what is being transported, including the quantity,
 - (ii) the date of the movement,
 - (iii) the names of the persons responsible for the animal, bird or thing being moved at the place of departure and the place of destination,
 - (iv) the addresses of the place of departure and the place of destination;
 - (b) when so demanded by an inspector, produce the document and allow a copy to be taken of it or details to be extracted from it; and state which general licence gives the authority for the movement; and
 - (c) retain the documentation relating to each movement for at least 6 months after the last movement made under its authority.
- (4) If an animal, bird or thing has been moved to premises under a licence, an inspector may serve a notice on the occupier of those premises imposing such restrictions in relation to the premises as the inspector considers are necessary to reduce the risk of spreading disease.
- (5) A person to whom a licence is granted under any relevant legislation must comply with any conditions of the licence.

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