DEPARTMENT FOR ENVIRONMENT, FOOD AND RURAL AFFAIRS

ANIMAL HEALTH ACT 1981

IMPORTATION OF ANIMAL PRODUCTS AND POULTRY PRODUCTS
ORDER 1980 (AS AMENDED)

GENERAL IMPORT LICENCE

The Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, by this licence issued under the terms of Article 4 of the Importation of Animal Products and Poultry Products Order 1980 (as amended) authorises subject to and in accordance with the conditions set out below, the landing in England of:

- Treated (as defined in chapter 3 of 1992/118/EC) skins/furs or plates of badger, bear (all species), beaver, bobcat, coyote, ermine, fisher, fox (all species), kolinsky, lynx, marmot, marten, mink, muskrat, nutria, ocelot, otter, possum, rabbit, raccoon, sable, seal (all species), skunk, squirrel, stone marten, tanuki, woodchuck and weasel (not for human consumption)

from

All countries

Country of Origin

at

All ports and airports

Port of Entry

until further notice unless revoked by the Secretary of State.

This licence hereby revokes licence number TAY/GEN/2003/1011.

Dated 06 October 2003

Officer of the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs
CONDITIONS ATTACHED TO THIS LICENCE

1. Any product presented for importation under the terms of this licence must comply with the following requirements and be accompanied by a commercial document from the exporter stating that the following requirements have been complied with:

   I. the product must be solely skin and/or fur, with no anatomical parts attached.

   II. the product must have been, either;

      i) dried or

      ii) dry-salted or wet salted for at least 14 days prior to dispatch, or

      iii) salted for seven days in sea salt with the addition of sodium carbonate to 2%, or

      iv) dried for 42 days at a temperature of at least 20°C or

      v) dressed (maintained at a pH of no greater than 3 for a minimum period of 6 hours)

   III. If the species is one listed by the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species (CITES) it must be accompanied by the appropriate certification.

2. The products must be made available, if so required, for inspection by an officer of DEFRA at any place nominated by him/her for such an inspection. The importer shall afford all assistance necessary to such an officer to enable him/her to carry out the inspection in such a manner as he/she shall determine and the importer shall be responsible for meeting any costs of carrying out such an inspection.

NOTES

1. Nothing in this licence gives exemption from any prohibition or restriction imposed by the Imported Food Regulations 1984, the provisions of the Food Safety Act 1990 and Regulations made under it, the Animal By-Products (Identification) Regulations 1995, the Marketing Authorisations for Veterinary Medicinal Products Regulations 1994, or by any regulation superseding or amending the same.

2. This is not a Department of Trade and Industry licence and gives no exemption from any prohibition, regulation or restriction imposed by the Department of Trade and Industry.

3. Please note that while this licence was current at the time of its issue, conditions can be subject to frequent change and importers are advised to check the latest position with International Animal Health Division, Imports Policy Branch, (see below).

4. This is not a CITES licence and gives no exemption from any prohibition, regulation or restriction imposed by CITES.

5. All customers are advised to contact the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species (CITES) prior to import at Global Wildlife Division, DEFRA, 1/17 Temple Quay House, 2 The Square, Temple Quay, Bristol, BS1 6EB. Tel: 0117 372 8749 http://www.ukcites.gov.uk/