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### Scope / conditions

#### **The import provisions apply to amphibians and reptiles from the EU**

[particular conditions apply to imports of animals kept in “confined establishments” (such as zoos, circuses or animal shows)]

According to bilateral treaties, the rules governing exchanges between EU Member States and Switzerland are the same as for intracommunity movements. As there are no harmonized rules for this particular case, national regulations apply.

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### Overarching protective measures

The [protective measures](#) in force on the day of import apply in all cases.

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### Health certificate / TRACES

For salamanders and newts, the veterinary officer in the country of origin must send an electronic TRACES notification. The cantonal authority must record the establishment of destination in Switzerland in the TRACES electronic system before the first import takes place (see below “Health certificate / TRACES”).

In all other cases, no health certificate is required.

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### Additional conditions

Certain animal species are additionally subject to species conservation regulations. Please check the conservation status in the CITES species list (see below “Further information”).

The animals must not show signs of disease, and must originate from establishments and areas that are not subject to restrictions.

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### Inspection on entry into the country

Please note that it is not possible to import all categories of animals and goods into Switzerland at all border crossing points. Please contact the customs authorities for any questions regarding customs regulations and procedures.

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### Miscellaneous



An animal welfare license from the Cantonal Veterinary Office is required for the keeping of wild animal species and if animals are being imported for one of the following purposes: trading, advertising, animal shows, zoos, circuses, and/or animal experiments.

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## Administration and Informations

### Legal framework

[Legal framework of the animal health sector governing movements of live animals, germinal products \(semen, oocytes and embryos\) from animals and animal by-products between EU Member States and Switzerland](#)

### Further info

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