

**FISH & WILDLIFE NEW INSPECTION FEES EFFECTIVE**  
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The U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service is increasing inspections fees for import and export of wildlife and wildlife products in order to recover more of the costs of inspecting shipments. The Service will implement the new fees effective January 8, 2009. Without a fee increase, the Service will be forced to cut back on inspection services. The new fees and new wildlife requirement changes were published in the Federal Register December 9, 2008.

A \$37.00 premium fee will be charged for imports or exports of species protected under Federal Law when a permit is required. This fee will also apply to non-commercial import and export transactions including Hunting Trophies that consist of protected game species.

Such protected wildlife includes federally listed endangered or threatened species, migratory birds, marine animals, injurious species and wildlife protected under the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species (CITES). The premium fee will increase each year over the remaining years covered by the fee schedule, rising from \$37.00 in 2009 to \$93.00 in 2012. The fee schedule is as follows:

**2009: \$37.00 2010: \$56.00 2011: \$74.00 2012: \$93.00**

Please be aware that the inspection fee will be required on non-commercial trophy shipments that contain any of the above-mentioned wildlife. Should you have any questions at all, please do not hesitate to call a Trophy Specialist at your local Coppersmith Global Logistics office or myself.

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