CANADIAN IMPORT CHANGES

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- **USDA-APHIS**: farmed aquatic animals
- **USFWS**: wild & public resource freshwater animals
- **NOAA-Fisheries**: wild marine animals (& aquaculture in the Exclusive Economic Zone- (EEZ))
- **FDA-CVM**: Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Point (HACCP) certification
  - Fall 2009 MOU with NOAA for all seafood export certification
- **2008 MOU** with APHIS, NOAA and FWS, APHIS can endorse upon request for other agencies, except for human consumption.
AQUATIC ANIMAL EXPORTS

Developed protocols with countries around the world:

- Australia
- Colombia
- China
- European Union
- Israel
- Japan
- Korea, Republic of
- Mexico
- Thailand

Developing protocols:

- CANADA & several Central & South American countries
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- New import requirements for
  - 405 aquatic species
  - 24 different end used
  - 35 diseases
    - Import permit issued by Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA)
    - Health certificate from the competent authority of the country of origin

Implementation date December 10, 2011
“KEY” LIVE AQUATIC ANIMALS REQUIRING HEALTH CERTIFICATES

Rainbow trout (*Oncorhynchus mykiss*)
Atlantic salmon (*Salmo salar*)
Tilapia (*Oreochromis spp.*)
Oysters (*Crassostrea gigas & C. virginica*)
Mussels (*Mytilus edulis & M. galloprovincialis*)
Manila clams

Ornamental
- Goldfish (*Carassius auratus*)
- Koi (*Cyprinus carpio*)
- Plus other species
EFFECTIVE 12/10/2012

- CULTURE
- DEAD BAIT, LIVE BAIT *
- DISPLAY IN ZOO OR PUBLIC AQUARIUM
- MANUFACTURING FEED FOR AQUATIC ANIMALS
- STOCKING

- * LIVE BAIT IS NOT ALLOWED INTO ONTARIO OR MANITOBA BY PROVINCIAL LAW
EFFECTIVE 2/4/2013

- AQUARIUMS – COMMERCIAL OR PRIVATE
- DIAGNOSTIC TESTING
- FEEDING AQUATIC ANIMALS TO AQUATIC ANIMALS
- RESEARCH/EDUCATION
- SHOW OR EXHIBITION
EFFECTIVE 4/8/2013

- FOOD SERVICE
- FURTHER PROCESSING FOR HUMAN CONSUMPTION
- RETAIL USE
- (WILD-CAUGHT FROM FRESH WATER FOR RETAIL USE?)
NECESSARY STEPS

- IMPORT PERMIT REQUESTED
- DISEASE TESTING THROUGH APPROVED LAB
- BIOSECURITY PLANS
- NEW OR DISINFECTED SHIPPING CONTAINERS
- INSPECTION BY ACCREDITED VETERINARIAN WITHIN 96 HOURS OF SHIPPING
- INTERNATIONAL HEALTH CERTIFICATE ENDORSED BY USDA APHIS VETERINARY SERVICES
PROTOCOLS AVAILABLE

- CULTURE
- LIVE FINFISH FOR BAIT OR FEED
- RESEARCH/EDUCATION
- LIVE ORNAMENTAL AQUATIC ANIMALS INTENDED FOR COMMERCIAL AQUARIUM USE IN CLOSED PREMISES IN CANADA
RESOURCES

CFIA: www.inspection.gc.ca

USDA: www.aphis.usda.gov/regulations/vs/iregs/animals

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