



Zimbabwe

PARKS AND WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY

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Ref: Measures in place to prevent and mitigate the risk of pathogen spill over and transmission from wildlife trade.

Reference is made to the above subject:

Following your request on the above matter, Zimbabwe is happy to share with you the measures in place to prevent and mitigate the risk of pathogen spill over and transmission from wildlife trade. These include:

1. The Government of the Republic of Zimbabwe, through Zimbabwe Parks and Wildlife Management Authority (ZIMPARKS) set up wildlife veterinary offices throughout the country. These offices are involved in continuous diseases surveillance including zoonotic diseases, for example, rabies, anthrax, avian influenzas etc
2. ZIMPARKS is also setting up laboratories for quick diagnosis of wild animal disease.
3. The country also has national zoonotic and one health committees to mitigate against possible outbreaks. The stakeholders include human medicine personnel and domestic animals veterinary personnel.
4. Other measures put in place for export of wildlife trophies include:
 - Issuance of a Veterinary certificate by Ministry of Agriculture veterinary department.
 - Cleaning/bleaching, done to remove blood and flesh using chemicals such as hydrogen peroxide for skulls and bones. This is done by shipping agents.
 - Fumigation, done at private fumigators for 4 days in sealed containers.
 - Packing in separate clear plastics.
 - Phytosanitary certificate for wood products against wood borers. Issued by Ministry of Agriculture Plant quarantine services.
 - Sealing with Insecticides such as "Chirindamura dust, shumba dust" (active ingredient containing 500g/l (49.02% w/w) pirimiphos-methyl.

With Regards


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protection and sustainable
utilization of natural
resources for the benefit
of the present and future
generations.

VISION

To be the world leader in
sustainable conservation.

CORE VALUES

- Integrity
- Accountability
- Commitment
- Teamwork
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