



NOTICE TO EXPORTERS OF NATIVE NON-CITES CORAL SPECIMENS

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The Department of Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities wishes to advise that permits are not required for the export of non-CITES listed Australian native coral species where they are harvested from commercial fisheries approved under the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (EPBC Act).

Native coral species that are:

- not listed under CITES; **and**
- not listed under Part 13 of the EPBC Act; **and**
- have been lawfully collected from an Australian fishery; **and**
- that fishery was declared as an approved wildlife trade operation under the EPBC Act at the time of the collection

(<http://www.environment.gov.au/coasts/fisheries/index.html>)

do not require permits for export from Australia.

Exporters are still required to abide by the relevant state or territory legislation and licensing requirements in the harvest of native Australian coral species.

It is recommended that exporters of Australian native coral species harvested from commercial fisheries that have previously held an export permit issued by this department include a copy of this notification with their goods to be exported to avoid confusion and possible seizure of goods.

The department reminds exporters that specimens of species listed under Part 13 of the EPBC Act **still require a permit**.

Further information or queries regarding this notice should be addressed to:

Wildlife Trade Regulation Section.

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