

## **REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE EXPORTATION OF WILDLIFE PETS AND GIFTS**

The terms "pets" and "gifts" refers to live or preserved whole animals, or parts and derivatives of wildlife origin such as handbags with a piece of animal skin, ornaments containing feathers or teeth, stuffed birds etc..

The total quantity of each species which is exported under this category shall not exceed ten per cent (10%) of the national commercial export quota for that species.

Persons who will be authorised to export pets/gifts must fall into the following categories:

- Only persons of thirteen (13) years and above shall be allowed to export pets;
- A pet exporter must be either a foreigner who has been resident in Guyana for at least one (1) year or a non-resident Guyanese who has returned home for the same period;

**or**

a Guyanese who is going overseas for the first time to attain permanent resident status;

**or**

a Guyanese who is going away for at least one (1) year for the purpose of working or studying.

These persons shall be required to provide proof of their conformity to these regulations such as resident visas, work permits, student visas with accompanying documents, etc..

Only one person per family will be allowed to export pets/gifts and a maximum of two (2) items will be allowed. This means that, for example, the exportation of a live parrot and a caiman skin handbag, or two live snakes, or a frog and a stuffed bird, etc.. may be allowed.