

§ 670.17 Specific issuance criteria.

With the exception of specially protected species of mammals, birds, plants and invertebrates designated in subpart E of this part, permits to engage in a taking or harmful interference:

(a) May be issued only for the purpose of providing—

- (1) Specimens for scientific study or scientific information; or
- (2) Specimens for museums, or other educational uses; or
- (3) Specimens for zoological gardens, but with respect to native mammals or birds, only if such specimens cannot be obtained from existing captive collections elsewhere, or if there is a compelling conservation requirement; and
- (4) For unavoidable consequences of scientific activities or the construction and operation of scientific support facilities; and

(b) Shall ensure, as far as possible, that—

- (1) No more native mammals, birds, plants or invertebrates are taken than are necessary to meet the purposes set forth in paragraph (a) of this section;
- (2) No more native mammals or native birds are taken in any year than can normally be replaced by net natural reproduction in the following breeding season;
- (3) The variety of species and the balance of the natural ecological systems within Antarctica are maintained; and
- (4) The authorized taking, transporting, carrying, or shipping of any native mammal or bird is carried out in a humane manner.

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