



## **environmental affairs**

**Department:  
Environmental Affairs  
REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA**

### **REQUIREMENTS FOR APPLICATIONS TO TRADE IN RHINOCEROS HORNS WITHIN THE REPUBLIC**

#### **1. SUPPORTING INFORMATION/ DOCUMENTATION TO BE SUBMITTED BY SELLER**

- Proof of payment of the permit processing fee
- Certified copy of the identity document or permanent residence certificate and Passport
- Proof of residential address (FICA documents to verify residential address and not older than three months)
- Proof of legal possession of the horn(s):
  - Certified copy of TOPS possession permit or
  - Certified copy of Provincial possession permit for Mpumalanga & Western Cape - Applicants must have been authorised by permits to possess horns from the relevant issuing authority
- Genetic profiling Certificate of each horn to be sold to prove that the DNA sample of the horn was analysed. The applicant must apply for the DNA Analysis Certificate from the Veterinary Genetics Laboratory of the Faculty of Veterinary Science of the University of Pretoria at Onderstepoort.
- Applicant must provide details of marking of the individual rhinoceros horns including:
  - Photographs of good quality of the individual horns
  - ZA identification numbers
  - Micro-chip numbers

#### **2. SUPPORTING INFORMATION/ DOCUMENTATION TO BE SUBMITTED BY A BUYER**

- Proof of payment of the permit processing fee
- Certified copy of buyer's ID or permanent residence certificate and/or Passport

- Proof of buyer's residential address (FICA documents to verify residential address and not older than three months)
- Certified copy of seller's permit
- Details of the rhino horn to be bought including.
  - Photographs of good quality of the individual horns
  - ZA identification numbers
  - Micro-chip numbers
- Number of specimens to be bought/received;
- Reference number of the Genetic Profiling Certificate of each horn to be bought/received

**NB.** The issuing authority may request additional information in terms of section 88(2)(a) of National Environmental Management: Biodiversity Act, 2004(Act 10 of 2004) and regulation 9(1) of the Threatened or Protected Species Regulations, 2007.