**APPROVAL AS A CAPTIVE BREEDING PROGRAM**

**AUSTRALIAN INSECT FARM**

Australian Insect Farm is an approved captive breeding program that meets Australia’s Scientific Authority for the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES) requirements under section 303FK of the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999* (EPBC Act). A review of the operation is due by 30 June 2025 under Regulation 9A.16 of the *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Regulations 2000* (EPBC Regulations) for the following invertebrates:

*Coscinocera hercules*

*Dilocrosis brownii*

*Macropanesthia rhinoceros*

*Megacrania batesii*

*Phyllium monteithi*

**SPECIAL CONDITIONS:**

1. Any specimens taken from the wild are only to be used in the captive breeding program to supplement breeding stock for the maintenance of genetic diversity.
2. Any specimens taken from the wild cannot be exported.
3. The Australian Insect Farm by 31 May each year must provide to the Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment an annual report on the quantities, sex ratio and locations for specimens collected for the captive breeding program.

Date: June 2020

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William Quinn  
Delegate of the Minister for the Environment

**NOTES:**

**Captive bred specimens**

Approval of this program means that captive bred specimens derived from the program are eligible for commercial export under the EPBC Act. A captive bred specimen is defined as a specimen bred in captivity to F2 generation under controlled conditions from legally sourced parental stock.

**Variations to approval**

The approval holder is required to seek a variation to the approval if they wish to export specimens from a species, genus or family that is not specifically covered by this approval.

**Five-yearly review**

This notice covers a period of five years, until 30 June 2025*.* Before the end of five years your approval will need to be reviewed to establish whether the program is still operational and continues to meet the requirements of the EPBC Act.

**Commercial export permits**

Every international commercial shipment must be covered by an export permit. Exporters can apply for a permit from the Department’s website at: <http://www.environment.gov.au/biodiversity/wildlife-trade/commercial>

**Australian Customs**

Export goods must now be declared to the Australian Border Force on an export declaration. This is in addition to the Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment export permit. You can read more about Australian Boarder Force export declarations at:  
<https://www.abf.gov.au/importing-exporting-and-manufacturing/exporting/how-to-export/export-declaration>