

Before You Hunt Abroad

Congratulations on your decision to hunt abroad! Regardless of what country you are traveling to, there are several things you need to know before you go.

One of the most important things to decide is who will preserve the memories of your hunt once the trophies arrive in the United States. **Contact Wood Wildlife Studio prior to your hunt.** We will issue shipping tags to be affixed to every item of your trophy. For example, if you take a kudu, you will need three tags: one for the horns, one for the cape, and one for the back skin. Keep this in mind when requesting the number of tags.

You will also need to contact an import broker. It is critical that you have this information when you arrive at camp, so your outfitter can forward the information to the forwarder.

The **forwarder** is a group that prepares your skins for shipping and completes the export documents to leave the country. Once you receive the shipping tags, it is critical that you reach out to the **import broker** in the United States. Convey the type of animal trophies you will be seeking on this trip. Your import broker will be able to tell you which specimen might require a special permit.

Once you return, **follow up with the broker** to notify them of your success. At this time, it may be necessary to file certain documents with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Department in Washington, D.C. These documents need to be approved and in your hands prior to the arrival of the trophies into the U.S. Your import broker will assist you in completing these documents and payment of fees. Take some time to discuss this with the broker so you are prepared.

When ordering your shipping tags, please let us know your broker's information, so we can include that information on the tags.

<u>Swine and primates</u> from foreign countries must be shipped to a USDA accredited facility. Wood Wildlife Studio will be happy to assist you in locating a facility for your trophy to be cleared.

Wood Wildlife Studio would love to discuss your hunt and answer any questions you might have. It is our intention to remove the worry and stress as you prepare for your hunt, so you can concentrate on the experience of a lifetime!