



Proposed Amendments to Species Appendices



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CMS has two Appendices as designated by the original convention text:

- Appendix I contains migratory species that are endangered, taking is prohibited with limited exception
- Appendix II contains species with unfavorable conservation status, taking is allowed but restricted



Amendment Process

1. Member states submit proposed amendments to species listings
2. The Scientific Council reviews the proposal and advises the COP on their scientific merit
3. Proposals are voted on at the COP, they are adopted if 2/3 of Parties support their approval
4. Changes to Appendixes take effect after 90 days



Species Proposals Include:

- Species Classification
- Biological data including species range, population, etc.
- Data outlining direct and indirect threats to conservation
- Protection Status
- Comments from Range States



Appendix I

No	Scientific Name	English Name	Proponent Country
1	CETACEA, Ziphiidae <i>Ziphius cavirostris</i>	Cuvier's beaked whale, Goose beaked whale (Mediterranean population)	European Union
2*	CARNIVORA, Felidae <i>Panthera leo persica</i>	Asiatic Lion	Kenya
3	ARTIODACTYLA, Bovidae <i>Eudorcas rufifrons</i>	Red-fronted Gazelle	Niger, Senegal
4	GRUIFORMES, Ortididae <i>Otis tarda</i>	Great Bustard	Mongolia
5	CHARADRIIFORMES, Scolopacidae <i>Calidris pusillia</i>	Semipalmated Sandpiper	Ecuador, Paraguay



Appendix I (cont.)

No	Scientific Name	English Name	Proponent Country
6	CHARADRIIFORMES, Scolopacidae <i>Calidris tenuirostris</i>	Great Knot	Philippines
7	CORACIIFORMES, Coraciidae <i>Coracias garrulus</i>	European Roller	European Union
8*	RAJIFORMES, Pridae spp.	Sawfish (Five individual species)	Kenya
9*	RAJIFORMES, Mobulinae <i>Manta alfredi</i>	Reef Manta Ray, Coastal Manta Ray	Fiji
10*	RAJIFORMES, Mobula spp.	Manta Ray (Species)	Fiji



Appendix II

No.	Scientific Name	English Name	Proponent Country
1	CARNIVORA, Ursidae <i>Ursus maritimus</i>	Polar Bear	Norway
2*	CARNIVORA, Ursidae <i>Panthera leo</i>	Lion (All other subspecies)	Kenya
3	ARTIODACTYLA, Bovidae <i>Kobus kob leucotis</i>	White-eared kob	Ethiopia
4	PASSERIFORMES, Parulidae <i>Cardellina canadensis</i>	Canadian Warbler	Ecuador
5	CARCHARHINIFORMES, Carcharhinidae <i>Carcharhinus falciformis</i>	Silky Shark	Egypt
6	CARCHARHINIFORMES, Sphyrnidae <i>Sphyrna mokarran</i>	Great Hammerhead Shark	Costa Rica, Ecuador



Appendix II (cont.)

No.	Scientific Name	English Name	Proponent Country
7	CARCHARINIFORMES, Sphyrnidae <i>Sphyrna lewini</i>	Scalloped Hammerhead shark	Costa Rica, Ecuador
8	LAMNIFORMES, Alopidae <i>Alopias spp.</i>	Thresher sharks	European Union
9*	RAJIFORMES, Pristidae spp.	Sawfish	Kenya
10*	RAJIFORMES, Mobulidae, <i>Manta alfredi</i>	Reef Manta Ray, Coastal Manta Ray	Fiji
11*	RAJIFORMAS, Mobula spp.	Other Ray Species	Fiji
12	ANGUILLIFORMES, Anguillidae <i>Anguilla anguilla</i>	European Eel, Common Eel	Monaco



Importance to COP

- The CMS Appendices are the basis for all CMS instruments
- Adding a species to the Appendices gives them the benefit of international co-operation for conservation
- Coverage should focus on threatened or endangered species
- New species should be added based on reliable scientific evidence



Future Actions

- Review the proposals for amendments to the Appendices
- Consider the scientific basis for listing
- Evaluate national position based on:
 - Importance of species for national conservation goals
 - Stakeholder opinions

