

**Regulation relevant to alien species - Estonia (EE)**

Name of Act (area)	<b>The Nature Conservation Act</b>
Number of Act	Accepted: 21. April 2004 (no number)
Special section(s) relevant to IAS	Chapter 8
Content of regulations	<p><b>§49</b> - If the results of a scientific monitoring show negative impacts caused by a certain in order to avoid environmental hazard and/or threats to human health. Implemented</p> <p><b>§ 57 Non-native species</b></p> <p>(1) It is prohibited to introduce live specimens of non-native species in the wild, and to plant or sow non-native plants in the wild, except for the plant forest trees is permitted pursuant to the Forest Act.</p> <p>(2) A list of non-native species likely to disrupt natural balance, live specimens of which shall not be brought into Estonia and transactions with live specimens of which shall not be conducted, shall be established b</p> <p>(3) Controlling the abundance of a non-native species accidentally released in the wild s</p> <p>(4) Specimens of non-native species kept in artificial conditions may be relocated for keeping in artificial conditions in another location only with the permission of the Environmental Board. The restrictions does not apply to household pets within the meaning of subsection 2 (3) of</p> <p>(5) It is prohibited to rear specimens of non-native species which are likely to disrupt natural balance in artificial conditions or conduct transactions with the live specimens of such species, except in cases which can the Environmental Board.</p> <p>(6) Minks and raccoon dogs may be kept in artificial conditions in farms holding a permit issued by the Environmental Board in mainland Estonia. The req conditions and the procedure for the issue of permits shall be established by a regulatio Implemented in <b>Farmed mink and raccoon dog keeping requirements and licensing pr</b></p> <p>(7) Specimens of minks and raccoon dogs may be imported into Estonia only on the bas gene pool renewal and to the extent of not more than 20 per cent of the breeding stock</p> <p><b>§58</b> - Introduction to and removal from the wild of native species. (1) It is prohibited to countries in the wild, except in the case of scientifically justified reintroduction with the species may be relocated with the permission of the Environmental Board.</p>

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Name of Act (area)	<b>The List of Invasive Alien Species</b>
Number of Act	Ordinance of the Minister of Environment, no 126 of 7th Oct 2004
Special section(s) relevant to IAS	Whole document
Content of regulations	List of invasive alien species (importing live specimens and and all transactions with live Law, Chapter 8, §57).
Link to national version (nat language) or a file	<a href="https://www.riigiteataja.ee/akt/12828512?leiaKehtiv">https://www.riigiteataja.ee/akt/12828512?leiaKehtiv</a>
If available in English – link to UK version:	Not available
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Name of Act (area)	<b>The Fisheries Act</b>
Number of Act	Accepted: 27.Sept.1995 (no number)
Special section(s) relevant to IAS	Chapter 3
Content of regulations	<b>§22</b> Introducing and re-stocking of non-native fish species or species of other aquatic or Minister of Environment. No licence for introduction of alien fish to Estonian water bod restocking of bodies of water with fish shall be established by the Government of the R licence is seen here (in Estonian) <a href="https://www.riigiteataja.ee/akt/13136839">https://www.riigiteataja.ee/akt/13136839</a>
Link to national version (nat language) or a file	<a href="https://www.riigiteataja.ee/akt/108112012002?leiaKehtiv">https://www.riigiteataja.ee/akt/108112012002?leiaKehtiv</a>
If available in English – link to UK version:	(consolidated text 18 November 2012) <a href="http://www.legaltext.ee/et/andmebaas/tekst.asp?loc=text&amp;dok=X40096K10&amp;keel=en&amp;">http://www.legaltext.ee/et/andmebaas/tekst.asp?loc=text&amp;dok=X40096K10&amp;keel=en&amp;</a>
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Name of Act (area)	<b>The Water Act</b>
Number of Act	Accepted: 11.May 1994 (no number)
Special section(s) relevant to IAS	Chapter 1
Content of regulations	<b>§1</b> - The aim of the Water Law is to maintain the chemical quality of ground water, and stability in those water bodies.
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If available in English – link to UK version:	(consolidated text April 2004) <a href="http://www.legaltext.ee/et/andmebaas/tekst.asp?loc=text&amp;dok=X50046K4&amp;keel=en&amp;">http://www.legaltext.ee/et/andmebaas/tekst.asp?loc=text&amp;dok=X50046K4&amp;keel=en&amp;</a>
Name of Act (area)	<b>The Release of Genetically Modified Organisms into Environment Law</b>
Number of Act	Accepted: 14. April 2004 (no number)
Special section(s) relevant to IAS	Chapter 1, Chapter 2
Content of regulations	<b>Chapter 1, §1</b> - The aim of the law is protecting living environment and human health a organisms. <b>Chapter 1, §5</b> - In order to evaluate possible hazards, caused by genetically modified or commission (Commission of Gene Technology) will be founded. <b>Chapter 2, §6</b> - Genetically modified organisms can be released into environment only l
Link to national version (nat language) or a file	<a href="https://www.riigiteataja.ee/akt/123122010024?leiaKehtiv">https://www.riigiteataja.ee/akt/123122010024?leiaKehtiv</a>
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Name of Act (area)	<b>The Environmental Surveillance Law</b>
Number of Act	Accepted: 06. June 2001 (no number)

Special section(s) relevant to IAS	Chapter 1
Content of regulations	<b>§2</b> In cases of activities that include organisms potentially hazardous to living environment conducted. If any negative effect will be registered, the activities will be terminated.
Link to national version (nat language) or a file	<a href="https://www.riigiteataja.ee/akt/125102012011?leiaKehtiv">https://www.riigiteataja.ee/akt/125102012011?leiaKehtiv</a>
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Name of Act (area)	<b>Animal Protection Act</b>
Number of Act	Accepted: 13.Dec. 2000 (no number)
Special section(s) relevant to IAS	Chapter 7
Content of regulations	<b>Ch. 7, § 27-30</b> - The display of animals to the public is permitted in zoos. A zoo shall be health and well-being of the animals and prevents their escape. An activity licence is required. If requirements described above are not in compliance, the licence will be refused.
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Name of Act (area)	<b>Forest Act</b>
Number of Act	Accepted: 7. June. 2006 (no number).
Special section(s) relevant to IAS	Chapter 2
Content of	<b>Ch. 2, § 24.9</b> - The list of alien tree species permitted to use in reforestation shall be established by a regulation.

regulations	Environment. Implemented in the <b>List of Alien trees permitted to use in reforestation</b> (see below).
Link to national version (nat language) or a file	<a href="https://www.riigiteataja.ee/akt/105012011016?leiaKehtiv">https://www.riigiteataja.ee/akt/105012011016?leiaKehtiv</a>
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Name of Act (area)	<b>Plant Protection Act</b>
Number of Act	Accepted: 21. April. 2004 (no number).
Special section(s) relevant to IAS	Chapter 1, 2 and 5 (in relation to plant health mostly)
Content of regulations	<p><b>Ch. 1, § 2</b> - The Agricultural Board shall notify in writing to the European Commission and the competent authority of the harmful organisms and plant protection products admitted to the market (species listed in EU directive 2000/29/EC) and the supervision operations on which notice must be given pursuant to legislation of the European Union.</p> <p><b>Ch. 2, § 9</b> - Upon existence of harmful organisms or in the case of suspicion of contamination or danger of contamination, the measures established on the basis of this Act must be applied.</p> <p>Control measures against harmful organisms are defined as restrictions applied in order to prevent the spread of the harmful organism or the destruction of the harmful organism in a prescribed manner. Control measures against harmful organisms include: the obligation to restrict cultivation for a specified term; the obligation to select resistant crops and varieties; the prohibition of the use of contaminated plant products and other objects which are contaminated, in danger of contamination or suspected of contamination; the obligation to restrict the use of plants, plant products and other objects that are contaminated, in danger of contamination or suspected of contamination; the obligation to purify or destroy plants, plant products and other objects that are contaminated or suspected of contamination; the obligation to organise control; the obligation to destroy host plants; the obligation to disinfect buildings, civil</p>

	<p>objects that are contaminated or suspected of contamination.</p> <p>Control measures appropriate to the species of harmful organisms that occur on plants, plant products and contaminated, in danger of contamination or suspected of contamination with harmful organisms shall be es Agriculture.</p> <p><b>Ch. 5, § 89</b> - For species listed in EU directive <a href="#">2000/29</a>: In the framework of plant health monitoring program shall collect, systematise and maintain information related to the occurrences, outbreaks and spread of harm the Agricultural Board shall draft plant health monitoring programmes and organise monitoring activities.</p>
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If available in English – link to UK version:	<p>consolidated text 1 January 2012)</p> <p><a href="http://www.legaltext.ee/et/andmebaas/tekst.asp?loc=text&amp;dok=X70049K3&amp;keel=en&amp;pg=1&amp;ptyyp=RT&amp;tyyp">http://www.legaltext.ee/et/andmebaas/tekst.asp?loc=text&amp;dok=X70049K3&amp;keel=en&amp;pg=1&amp;ptyyp=RT&amp;tyyp</a></p>
Name of Act (area)	<b>Environmental Impact Assessment and Environmental Management System Act</b>
Number of Act	Accepted: 22. Feb. 2005 (no number).
Special section(s) relevant to IAS	Chapter 2
Content of regulations	<p><b>Ch. 2, § 6</b> – Lists activities with significant environmental impact and if the proposed activities are not included decision-maker shall make a preliminary estimation to decide whether the activities of the proposed areas h impact. If a significant environmental risk is probable, a further specified (§ 13) environmental impact assess protocol) must be carried out.</p> <p><b>Ch. 2, § 13</b> - Environmental impact assessment programme.</p>
Link to	<p><a href="https://www.riigiteataja.ee/akt/121122011015?leiaKehtiv">https://www.riigiteataja.ee/akt/121122011015?leiaKehtiv</a></p>

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Name of Act (area)	<b>Farmed mink and raccoon dog keeping requirements and licensing procedures</b>
Number of Act	Accepted: 22. Feb. 2008 no 7
Special section(s) relevant to IAS	Whole document
Content of regulations	Describes in detail the requirements for obtaining a permit to keep minks and raccoon dogs in farms; including the requirements for the physical fence and cage construction to prevent the animals from escaping, the information to be included in an application etc.
Link to national version (nat language) or a file	<a href="https://www.riigiteataja.ee/akt/13133930">https://www.riigiteataja.ee/akt/13133930</a>
If available in English – link to UK version:	Not available

Name of Act (area)	<b>List of Alien trees permitted to use in reforestation</b>
Number of Act	Accepted: 4. Dec. 2006 no 69
Special section(s) relevant to IAS	Whole document
Content of regulations	The list of alien tree species permitted for use in reforestation as specified in the <b>Forest Act</b> (see above).

Link to national version (nat language) or a file	<a href="https://www.riigiteataja.ee/akt/12759372">https://www.riigiteataja.ee/akt/12759372</a>
If available in English – link to UK version:	Not available

**Non-legally binding texts:**

Name of Act (area)	<b>Estonian Environmental Strategy 2030</b>
Number of Act	
Special section(s) relevant to IAS	
Content of regulations	<p><b>Ch. 2.2.1</b> - Formulation of measures to oust alien species and avoid the spread of new potentially invading alien species is described as an action to be taken.</p> <p><b>Ch. 5.2.2</b> – Describes development and improvement of monitoring systems to enable informed decisions to be made and action to be taken.</p>
Link to national version (nat language) or a file	<a href="http://www.keskkonnainfo.ee/failid/viited/strateegia30.pdf">http://www.keskkonnainfo.ee/failid/viited/strateegia30.pdf</a>
If available in English – link to UK version:	
Name of Act (area)	<b>The National Environmental Action Plan of Estonia 2007-2013</b>
Number of Act	
Special section(s) relevant to IAS	
Content of regulations	Prioritises, gives cost estimates, and describes the responsible entities etc. for the actions described in <b>the Estonian Environmental Strategy 2030</b> (see above).
Link to national version (nat language) or a file	<a href="http://www.envir.ee/orb.aw/class=file/action=preview/id=1131705/Keskkonnategevuskava_2007-2013_uuendatud.pdf">http://www.envir.ee/orb.aw/class=file/action=preview/id=1131705/Keskkonnategevuskava_2007-2013_uuendatud.pdf</a>
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UK version:	
Name of Act (area)	<b>Heracleum management plan for 2011-2015</b>
Number of Act	20.Feb 2011 no 173
Special section(s) relevant to IAS	Whole document
Content of regulations	<b>Ch. 2.4</b> - The Environmental Board should carry out annual surveys of colonies under eradication to determine if all plants have been eradicated. Also, scientific survey should be carried out in 5% of colonies and it includes survey before and after eradication work with evaluation of denseness of colony. Guidance for it is on pages 63-67 and the form to be filled is on page 68.
Link to national version (nat language) or a file	<a href="http://www.envir.ee/orb.aw/class=file/action=preview/id=1157859/Karuputke+v%F5%F5rliikide+ohjamiskava.pdf">http://www.envir.ee/orb.aw/class=file/action=preview/id=1157859/Karuputke+v%F5%F5rliikide+ohjamiskava.pdf</a>
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**Other texts:**

Name of Act (area)	<b>Code of conduct for terrestrial alien species</b>
Number of Act	
Special section(s) relevant to IAS	Whole document
Content of regulations	This is a code of conduct for terrestrial alien species, and it describes the problems with IAS and gives suggestions for solutions.
Link to national version (nat language) or a file	<a href="http://keskkonnainfo.ee/failid/yld/Maismaa_voorliigid.pdf">http://keskkonnainfo.ee/failid/yld/Maismaa_voorliigid.pdf</a>
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Name of Act (area)	<b>Code of conduct for aquatic alien species</b>
Number of Act	
Special section(s) relevant to IAS	Whole document
Content of regulations	This is a code of conduct for aquatic alien species, and it describes the problems with IAS and gives suggestions for solutions.
Link to national version (nat language) or a file	<a href="http://www.envir.ee/orb.aw/class=file/action=preview/id=1169271/voorligid+vees+veeb.pdf">http://www.envir.ee/orb.aw/class=file/action=preview/id=1169271/voorligid+vees+veeb.pdf</a>
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