

Legislation for Temminck's pangolin

1. Temminck's Pangolins are a listed Threatened or Protected (ToPS) Species, in accordance with the National Environmental Management: Biodiversity Act of 2004.
2. Any illegal activities involving a Temminck's Pangolin can be prosecuted in accordance with the National Environmental Management: Biodiversity Act of 2004 (read together with the 2013 revisions), and the associated Threatened or Protected Species (ToPS) regulations.
3. According to Section 24 of the National Environmental Management: Biodiversity Act of 2004 (read together with the 2013 revisions), any contravention of this act is punishable with a:
 - a. a fine of ZAR 10 000 000 or three-times the commercial value of the specimen in respect of which the offense was committed, whichever is greater;
 - b. to imprisonment for a period not exceeding ten years; or
 - c. both a fine and imprisonment
4. In addition to the above-mentioned legislation, a perpetrator can also be charged for Animal Cruelty if the specifics of the case warrant it.
5. In Zimbabwe, any person found guilty of an offence involving a pangolin is sentenced to a mandatory gaol term of nine (9) years for a first offence, and eleven (11) years for a second and subsequent offences.

