

THE UFAW HANDBOOK ON

**THE CARE & MANAGEMENT
OF DECAPOD CRUSTACEANS
IN CAPTIVITY**

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This monograph on decapod crustaceans is written by Dr Ray Ingle, an internationally recognized authority on the group. Decapod crustacea are the most complex of arthropods and are at times used in biomedical research. Although their capacity for feeling pain or experiencing distress has not been established, UFAW believes that they should be given the benefit of any doubt with regard to their capacity for suffering and therefore should be treated humanely. In this monograph standards of care and welfare similar to those which would be accorded to vertebrates are applied. This book is intended to help all those keeping decapod crustaceans to maintain them under the best conditions currently known to science and to increase awareness of their needs in captivity. It should attract a wide readership as interest in these animals is not confined to scientists, large numbers of selected species are farmed whilst others are kept by amateur aquarists.

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