Guiding documents; Animal welfare during transport

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GUIDING DOCUMENTS; ANIMAL WELFARE DURING TRANSPORT

- To support the implementation of the WOAH Chapter on animal transport
- To be adapted (model) to the national or reginal context.
- Two documents:
 - Emergency plan Model (land and sea transport)
 - Check lists (Land and sea transport)

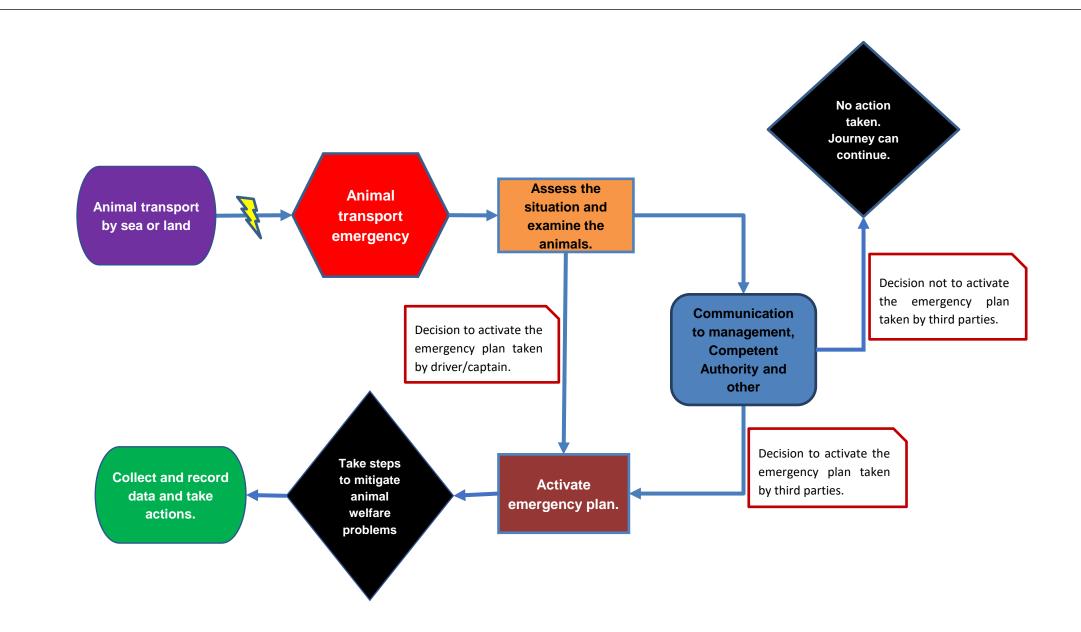


WHY?

When an unforeseen occurrence, such as an accident, malfunction of the truck/vessel, the closure of a road or the rejection of a consignment due to sanitary reasons occurs, a clear emergency plan should be part of the documentation accompanying the transport of animals.









Purpose of the checklist

To complement the WOAH standards and does not replace the recommendations provided in the Terrestrial Code. It aims to provide guidance as to what actions to consider when planning transport for animals.

Scope

The checklist applies to the following live domesticated and free-moving animals: cattle, buffaloes, camels, sheep, goats, pigs, and equines as well as animals travelling in containers: poultry and rabbits. The checklist can also be applicable to some other animals, e.g., deer, camelids, and ratites. Arrangements should be foreseen to collect information at the destination regarding some key data, such as weight on arrival or mortalities.



Objective

To provide a list of items for checking by different actors to ensure that animal welfare is protected throughout the full journey/transport of the animal.

All animal transport stakeholders, including farmers, business operators, transporters, veterinary services, and competent authorities, as well as any other relevant participant in the transport operations

Target audience

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Thank you

Gracias

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