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Romania - Country report on national situation

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I. Understanding country situation

National strategy (Legal basis)

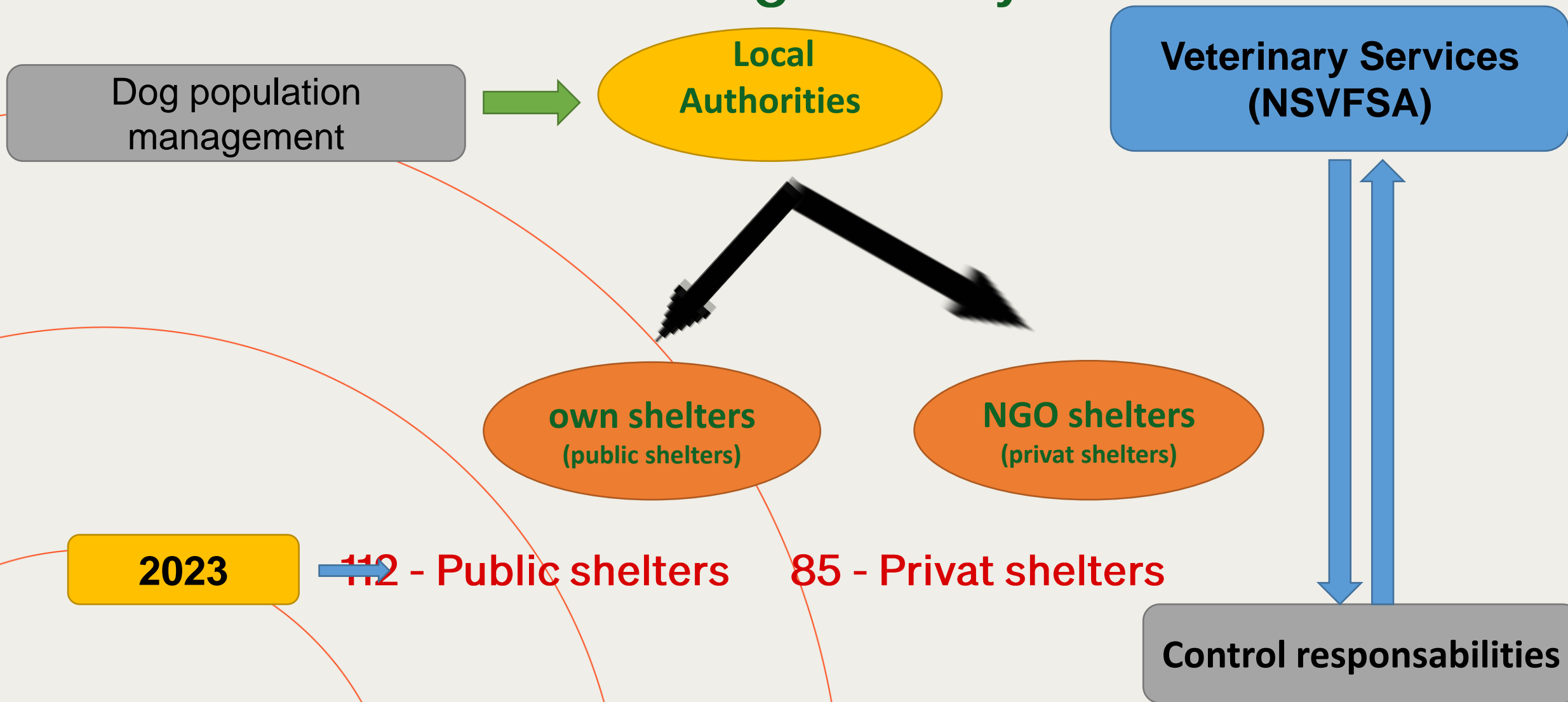
1. *Government Emergency Ordinance No 155/2001/ on the approval of the programme for the management of stray dogs, as amended and supplemented.*
2. Government Decision no. 1059/2013 for approving the methodological norms of application for Government Emergency Ordinance no. 155/2001.

In accordance with these rules local authorities have the obligation to establish, depending on the needs, specialized services for the management of stray dogs.

Also, local authorities have the obligation to arrange and supplement from their own funds public shelters for stray dogs.



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II. Control measures

1. Mandatory - dog identification and registration (under the responsibility of the owners).

National database – 4,145,271 owned dogs (june 2023)

2. Reproductiv control – sterilization is mandatory for all dogs belonging to common breed and their crossbreds and also for dangerous breeds (Pitbull, Bandog, etc.).



III. Monitoring and evaluation

- a) Annual monitoring of the activity of local councils,
- b) The introduction of checks in the annual control plans for persons who own a large number of dogs (*ex. more than 15*).



IV. Rabies dimension

Year	Dogs (domestic/stray)	Bovines	Foxies
2021	-	4	1
2022	6	15	7
2023	2	7	7

- ▶ National strategy for prevention in dogs and for wildlife, co-funded from the E.U.
- ▶ Anti- rabies vaccination is mandatory and free of charge



V. Country roadmap Key Actions

National strategy update:

- a) The identification of owned dogs becomes free of charge and is supported by the state budget,
- b) The involvement of multiple institutions (local councils, regional authorities, NGO`s) in the sterilization of owned dogs, especially in rural areas.
- c) The introduction of additional responsibilities for public television and public radio, regarding responsible ownership of pets.



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