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Country Report on national situation from 2018-2022 Republic of Serbia

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I. Understanding country situation

owned dogs

Method		Obligatory registration in Central Data Base		
Estimated No				
2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
97.018	95.389	96.034	104.986	93499

Competent authority - Veterinary Directorate (management CDB)

- Veterinarians (data entry in CDB)

Free-roaming dogs - bite injuries (no data on central level)

- traffic accidents (no data on central level)

SOURCE		
owned dogs	abandoned dogs	un-owned dogs
2 (20%)	3 (80%)	1 (20%)



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Legal framework

Animal Welfare Law

Law on Ratification of European Convention for the protection of pet animals
Rule book animal welfare in shelters and boarding premises

Rule book animal welfare in breeding establishments

Rule book on manner of keeping of animals that may pose the danger to the environment

Law on Veterinary Matters

Rule book on the manner of identification and registration of dogs and cats

Rule book on animal health protection measures program

Rule book on the conditions for non-commercial pet movement for which the decree on import and transit is not necessary, as well as the form and content of the consignment certificate



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COMPETENT AUTHORITIES

Veterinary Directorate performs the control of implementation of the:

- Animal Welfare Law
- Law on Veterinary Matters
- following Rulebooks

Other government agencies implementation and control of:

- Law on Environmental Protection
- Law on Game and Hunting

Local government is obliged to provide:

- shelters
- collection, transport and accommodation
- help, care and accommodation in the shelter
- appropriate veterinary care
- killing in the human manner
- create and implement program for the control and reduction of the population
- prescribe place and the manner of taking pet out

Private sector veterinarian performing veterinary activities in accordance with Article

4, 8, 16 of the Law on Veterinary Matters

Non-governmental organisations



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AUTHORITY RESOURCES

TYPE	RANK
Human resources	4
Financial resources	4
Technical tools	3
Infrastructure	2
Cooperative activities	2
Public-private-NGO partnership	2
Central-state partnership	3
Province-local oartnership	3



II. Control measures

NO on national level

Program for the control and reduction of the population of abandoned dogs and cats in accordance with specific characteristics of environment

- Article 54 of the Animal Welfare Law
obligation of the local government

Main control measures implemented in Republic of Serbia

- legislation/ primary and secondary
- responsible ownership
- identification and registration (transponders, ISO standard)
- surgical sterilisation
- appropriate shelters, registration
- control movements
- registration of breeding establishments
- reduction of bites incidence-responsibility of the owner
- licence of dangerous dogs
- euthanasia is allowed -serious or incurable diseases/desease transmission/AW reasons



III. Monitoring and evaluation

- control of implementation of the Animal Welfare Law
- animal health control
- registration of animal shelters
- registration of breeding establishment

CREATION, MONITORING AND EVALUATION IS OBLIGATION OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT!

Reasons	improve performance, highlighting the problems
Covering	dog population size, separated into sub-populations according to ownership and restriction of movement
Source of information	Local authorities



IV. Rabies dimension

Law on Veterinary Matters

Rule book on establishing the measures for early detection, diagnostics, prevention of spreading, suppression and eradication of Rabies

Rule book on animal health protection measures

Project - Support for the Control/Eradication of Classical Swine Fever and Rabies in the Republic of Serbia (oral vaccination)

Compulsory notifiable disease

**NO - urban Rabies
- human cases**



V. Country roadmap Key Actions

Strenghts		action	objective	implementation	Dead line
Lack of knowledge	1	education	To improve work	VD/FVM	2 year
Control measures on national elvel	1	National Strategy	To improve control	VD	Prepared but not adopted yet
Estimation on free roaming dog population	1	Questionary	To improve control	Local goverments	



V. Country roadmap Key Actions

MAIN WEAK POINTS

- Insufficient number of human resources (central level)
- Insufficient involvement NGO sector on the proper manner
- Hoarding
- Economical factor



Thank you

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