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Establishing a stray dog Advisory Group

Third OIE Regional Workshop
Stray Dog population management for Balkan countries (SDB3)
Belgrade, Serbia – 13-15 June 2018





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The OIE standards:

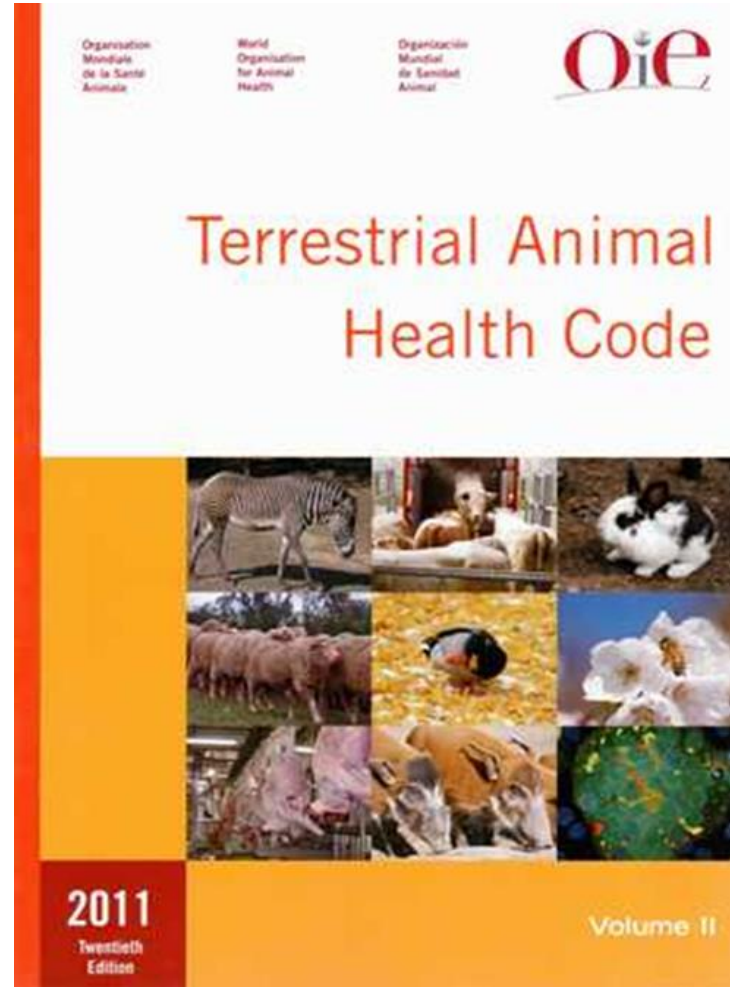
TERRESTRIAL ANIMAL HEALTH CODE

Chapter 7.7:

Stray dog population control

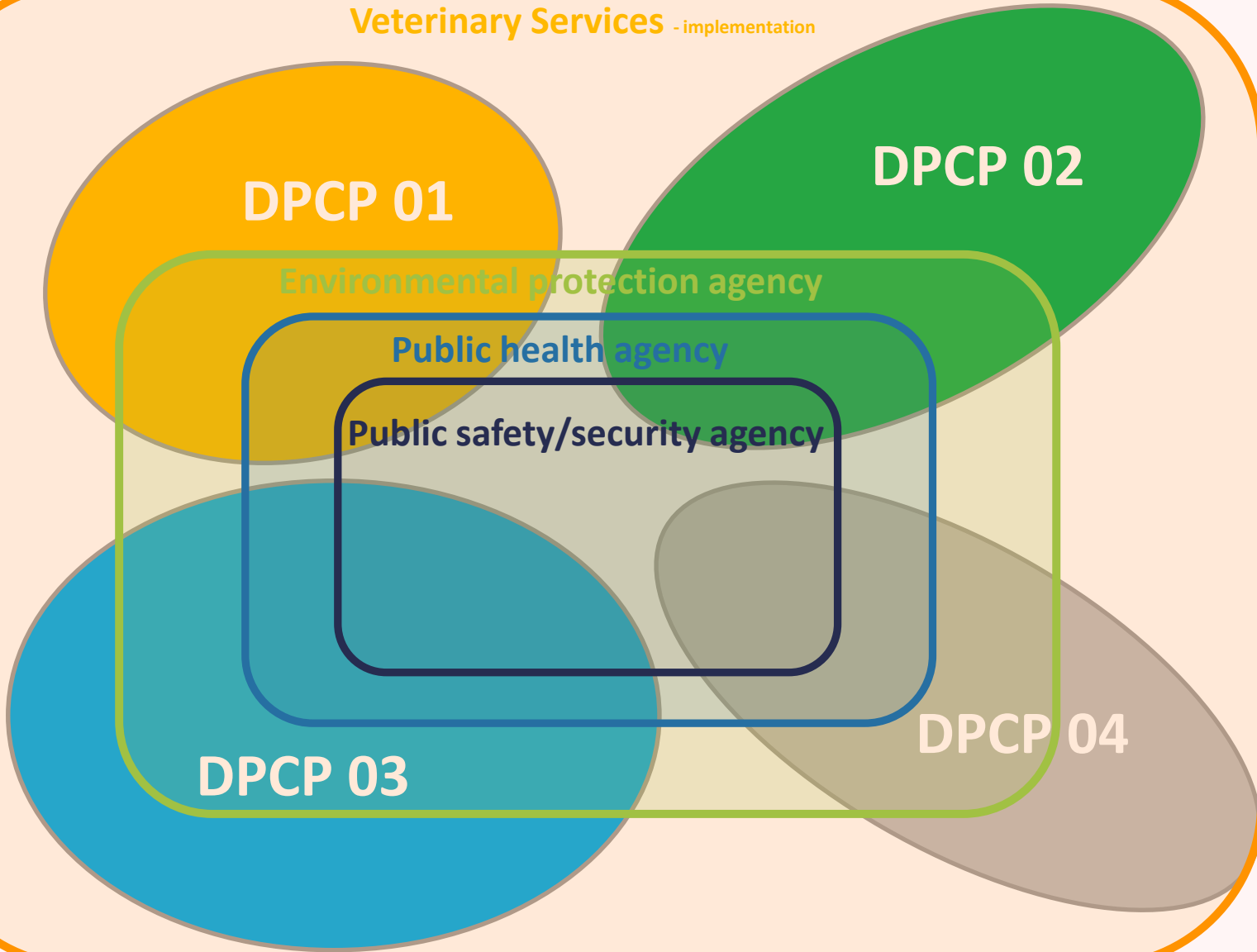
Concepts:

- Protect Human health
- Protect animal health
- Respect the Animal welfare
- Protect Environment




Veterinary Authority - supervision, implementation

Veterinary Services - implementation




Art.7.7.4 Responsibilities and competencies

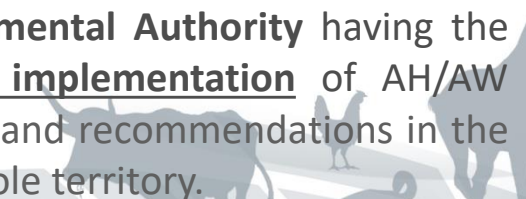


“The Veterinary Authority is responsible for the implementation of animal health and animal welfare legislation, in coordination with other competent government agencies and institutions.

Control of endemic zoonotic diseases such as rabies and parasitic infections (e.g. *Echinococcus* spp.) would require technical advice from the Veterinary Authority, as animal health and some aspects of public health are within this Authority’s competence but **organising and/or supervising dog control schemes** can be the responsibility of non-governmental organisations and governmental agencies other than the Veterinary Authority”



Competent Authority - the **Veterinary Authority** or **other Governmental Authority** having the responsibility and competence for ensuring or supervising the implementation of AH/AW measures, international veterinary certification and other standards and recommendations in the Terrestrial Code and in the OIE Aquatic Animal Health Code in the whole territory.





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animal viruses

Governmental agencies other than the Veterinary Authority

“depending on the **risk being managed** and the **objective/nature of the dog population control measures employed**”

- **public health agency** responsible for zoonotic diseases control
- control of stray dogs with regard to other human health risks (e.g. stray dogs on roads; dog attacks within communities) -> **local government authorities** or other agencies for **public safety/security** operating at the state/provincial or municipal level
- **environment protection agencies** -> hazard to the environment (e.g. control of feral dogs in national parks; prevention of dog attacks on wildlife, waste or human sewage)





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Local government authorities

- **services and programmes** that relate public health, environmental health/hygiene and inspection/compliance activities
- **development, implementation and enforcement of legislation** relating to dog ownership (e.g. registration, microchipping, vaccination, leash laws, abandonment)
- **control of stray dogs**

with advice from a higher level (national or state/provincial) Authority with specialised expertise in regard to public health, animal health and welfare



The actors at DPCP level



Art.5 Advisory group

Authorities should establish an advisory group, including **veterinarians**, **experts** in dog ecology, dog behaviour and zoonotic diseases, and representatives of **relevant stakeholders** (local authorities, human health services, environmental control services, NGOs and public), the objective being :

- *to analyze and quantify the problem (to be measurable!)*
- *identify the causes (STOP addressing the effects, please!!)*
- *obtain public opinion on dogs (sustainable)*
- *propose the most effective (efficient) approaches to use in the short and long term.*



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Could* be set at:

- **National level**
- **Regional/local level** linked to specific DPCPs with a **“variable geometry”** approach

Composition:

- veterinarians (vet. paraprofessionals*)
- experts in social sciences/communication*
- epidemiologists*
- experts in dog ecology/behaviour/dog population dynamics*
- experts in zoonotic diseases
- representatives of relevant stakeholders (local gov. authorities, public health, environmental control and public safety/security agencies/authorities, NGOs and the public)

* Proposed by the author



IRELAND

National Stray Dog Strategy Working Group

Local Authorities are responsible for the implementation of all of the national Control of Dogs legislation, in order to ensure that irresponsible dog owners and/or keepers are held legally responsible for their dog(s).

Recently set up by a **local authority Veterinary Officer** to address stray dog issues, which although there have been significant improvements over the years in Ireland, still present a problem.

Consisting of a **range of stakeholders including Local Authorities** (Dept of Rural & Community Development, DRCD), Veterinary Ireland, Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine (DAFM), Local Authority Veterinary Services (LAVS) and animal welfare groups including ISPCA, Dogs Trust, Irish Blue Cross.

IRELAND

Farm Animal Advisory Welfare Council (www.fawac.ie)

To identify ways in which the welfare of farm animals can be further improved and to prioritise areas requiring attention.

- ✓ To consider and **advise on proposals for EU and national legislation** relating to farm animals.
- ✓ To consider ways of **increasing public awareness and development and dissemination of information** relating to welfare of farm animals at home and abroad.
- ✓ To provide **any other advice** relevant to the welfare of farm animals as the Minister may seek from time to time.

Representatives from a wide range of interest groups: farm organisations, AW groups, vets, business operators- transport, Agriculture and Food Development Authority, the Veterinary College and DAFF, and reflecting the North/South dimension, a representative from the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs in Belfast.



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About EuroFAWC

Animal welfare plays an increasingly important role in our society: societal views on the use of animals by humans and on the human – animal relationship are changing rapidly within many European countries.

Because of these interest and concerns, various European countries have set up Animal Welfare Councils to provide national governments and others with sound scientific and ethical advice about animal welfare.

In 2006, we founded **EuroFAWC**: the **European Forum for Animal Welfare Councils**. EuroFAWC provides a platform for informed debate, for sharing information and views and a network for members of the Animal Welfare Councils throughout Europe (i.e. all countries that belong to the Council of Europe). Several international organisations, such as OIE and the European Commission, have observer status.

For a list of members see: *Members of EuroFAWC* (3rd button top menu)

Because most Animal Welfare Councils have been established to provide their national governments with expert, independent advice, EuroFAWC is not set up to act on behalf of its members. Instead, we share our mutual experiences, knowledge and findings – for example on pig castration and housing of dairy cattle – through our forum and publish our common position on this website. We also provide a network of like-minded contacts for our members.

The Animal Welfare Advisory Board Queensland



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Animal Welfare Advisory Board



The Queensland Government has established a new animal welfare advisory board comprising technical, community and industry representatives to advise the Minister on animal welfare matters.

The Animal Welfare Advisory Board (AWAB) advises the Minister for Agriculture and Fisheries on issues associated with the development and promotion of codes of practices for the humane treatment of animals - on farm, in transport and at the point of slaughter. Membership of the board is made up of representatives from key animal welfare and industry groups. The representatives provide:

- a balance of experience, expertise, and knowledge of contemporary animal husbandry and animal management systems
- understanding of community attitudes and expectations relating to animal welfare and community advocacy.

The function of the AWAB is to provide expert and impartial advice to the Minister on animal welfare matters to improve the welfare of animals in Queensland. AWAB aims to improve the welfare of animals in Queensland by providing forward-looking advice on welfare legislation, policy, strategies and programs. The board champions community based solutions and responses to issues and takes into consideration any relevant matters such as good practice, national and international trends, practicalities, industry capability, public opinion, scientific knowledge and animal ethics.

The [Animal Welfare Advisory Board's Terms of Reference](#) has more information about how the board operates.

Email the [AWAB secretariat](#) to submit an animal welfare issue for consideration.

SOUTH AFRICA - Since 1994 *South African Rabies Advisory Group (RAG)* has worked **to raise awareness of rabies** to government agencies, local medical and veterinary professionals as well as to the public. Has **reviewed advances in rabies management and control, and made recommendations on control policy.**



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Animals and pets

ANIMAL CONTROL ADVISORY BOARD

Under **Section 8.01.030** of the Clark County Code, the Clark County Council has established an Animal Protection and Control Advisory Board. The purpose of the advisory board is:

- To advise the county council on issues and needs relating to animal protection and control services in Clark County, and through comprehensive planning and other measures, promote the most efficient service possible.
- To promote measures that encourage greater awareness of animal protection and control services and responsibilities of pet ownership
- To promote measures that prevent injury to property and minimize annoyances and hazards that may result from uncontrolled animals.
- To promote measures that prevent injury to and the inhumane treatment of animals.

Find out more by reading the **Animal Control Advisory Board Bylaws** and **Public Participation Handout**.

Members


Name	Representing	Term expires
Holly Blosser	Animal welfare	10/31/20
Regan Thomason	Dog owner	10/31/21
Dr. Elizabeth Grauer, DVM	Veterinarian	10/31/19
Terrie Jones	At large	10/31/20
Ariel Young	Owens animal other than dog or cat	10/31/21
Bobbi Olson	No domestic animals	01/31/19
Lynn Parker, vice-chair	At large	10/31/19
Anne Nipp	Facility owner	10/31/21
Stephanie Hope	Livestock owner	10/31/19
Pat Vichas, chair	Cat owner	10/31/19

If you are interested in applying for the board, please see the **advisory board application**.

Meetings

Meetings are held quarterly at 6:30 pm on the fourth Thursday. See agenda for location.





Enforcement of laws will not, on its own, result in lasting, voluntary changes in people's behaviour, it needs to be supplemented by a range of non-regulatory approaches