

Country report on national action plans for animal welfare

Ukraine

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What are the main Animal Welfare issues you work on?

Main tasks:

by type of activity

Keeping in the farms

Transportation

Animal slaughter

by type of animals

Ruminants

Poultry

Pig

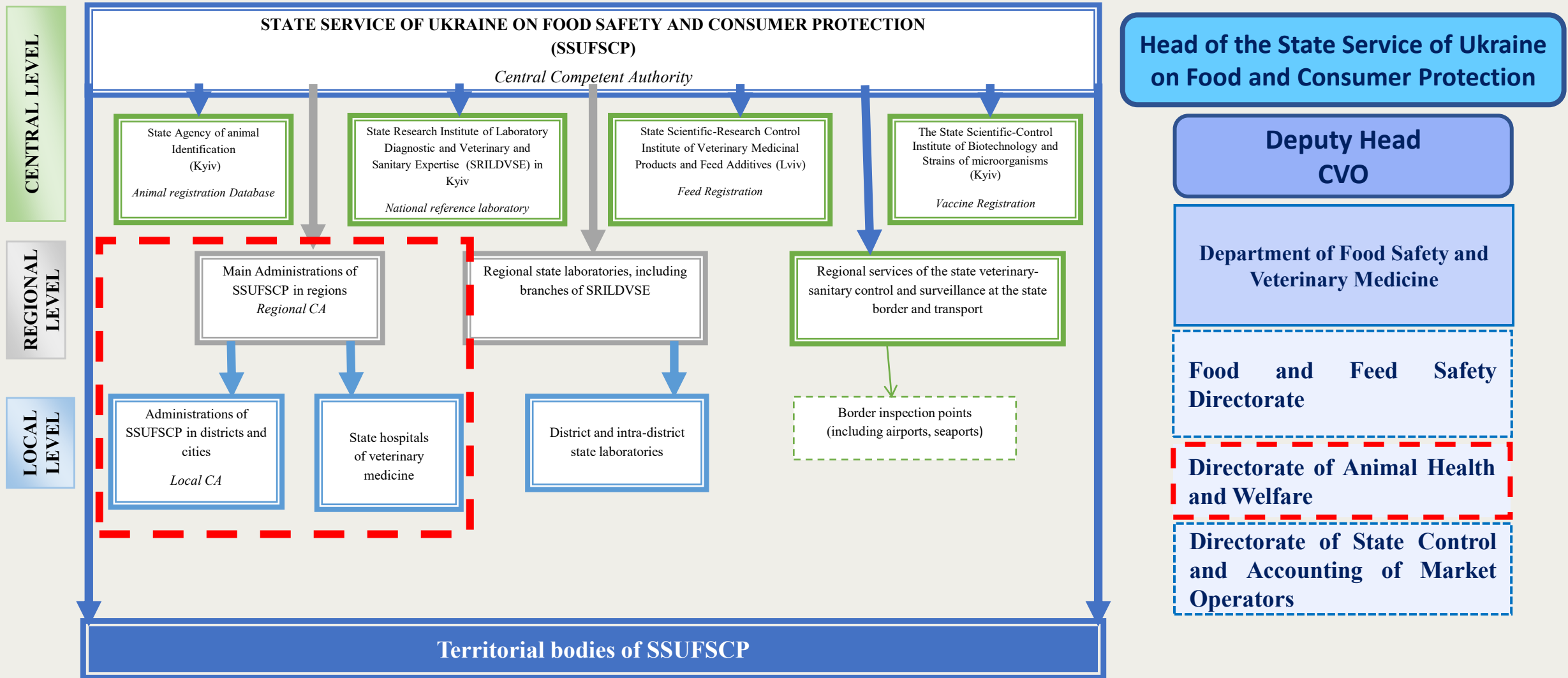
Rabbits and fur animals

Working horses





Resources – what resources (financial and human) are available to work on Animal Welfare?





Stakeholders – Which are involved (government agencies, NGOs, farmers, veterinary professionals) and their role?

The system of executive authorities in the field of animal welfare includes

the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine;

The central executive body that ensures the formation and implementation of state policy in the field of animal welfare;

Central executive body that implements state policy in the field of animal welfare (Competent Authority)



Stakeholders – Which are involved (government agencies, NGOs, farmers, veterinary professionals) and their role?

The powers of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine in the field of animal welfare include:

ensuring the implementation of state policy in the field of animal welfare;

directing, coordinating and exercising control over the activities of central executive bodies.

The powers of the central executive body that ensures the formation and implementation of state policy in the field of animal welfare include:

ensuring normative and legal regulation in the field of animal welfare;

determination of priority areas for the development of animal welfare; authorization, suspension and deprivation of authorization of a legal entity (in whole or in part) to train personnel of facilities and test knowledge and skills in compliance with the requirements of animal welfare legislation.



Stakeholders – Which are involved (government agencies, NGOs, farmers, veterinary professionals) and their role?

The powers of the central executive body that implements the state policy in the field of animal welfare include:

maintaining the Register of State Certificates on the availability of sufficient knowledge and skills to comply with the requirements of the legislation on animal welfare and the performance of the functions of its administrator;

issuance, refusal to issue and termination of state certificates on the availability of sufficient knowledge and skills to comply with the requirements of the legislation on animal welfare (hereinafter referred to as the state certificate);

issuance and refusal to issue temporary permits for the fulfillment of duties for keeping, killing, transportation of farm animals and/or carrying out related operations (hereinafter referred to as temporary permit);

providing extracts from the Register of State Certificates;

organization and implementation of state control over compliance with legislation on animal welfare;

taking measures to eliminate the identified violations of animal welfare legislation;

consideration of cases of violation of legislation on animal welfare;

preparation of annual reports on the status of compliance with the requirements of the legislation on animal welfare, as well as their publication.



Stakeholders – Which are involved (government agencies, NGOs, farmers, veterinary professionals) and their role?

Non-governmental organizations:

Associations (poultry farmers, pig farmers, dairy and beef cattle breeders, and others)

International Technical Assistance Projects

National and international experts

The role of NGOs:

To take part in awareness programs among farmers

To take part in the development of draft regulations

To take part in the development of training programs, standard procedures



Regulatory framework – What are the legal acts/regulations that you have on Animal Welfare? Do you use WOAH standards and other guidelines and best practices in your work?

Animal welfare legislation:

Law of Ukraine "On State Control over Compliance with the Legislation on Food Products, Feed, Animal By-Products, Animal Health and Welfare";

Law of Ukraine "On Veterinary Medicine";

normative legal acts approved in accordance with them.



Regulatory framework – What are the legal acts/regulations that you have on Animal Welfare? Do you use WOAH standards and other guidelines and best practices in your work?

Council Regulation (EC) No 1099/2009 of 24 September 2009 on the protection of animals at the time of killing

Requirements for ensuring the animal welfare during slaughter and killing

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Regulatory framework – What are the legal acts/regulations that you have on Animal Welfare? Do you use WOAH standards and other guidelines and best practices in your work?

Council Directive 98/58/EC of 20 July 1998 concerning the protection of animals kept for farming purposes

Council Directive 1999/74/EC of 19 July 1999 laying down minimum standards for the protection of laying hens

Council Directive 2007/43/EC of 28 June 2007 laying down minimum rules for the protection of chickens kept for meat production

Council Directive 2008/119/EC of 18 December 2008 laying down minimum standards for the protection of calves

Council Directive 2008/120/EC of 18 December 2008 laying down minimum standards for the protection of pigs

- **General requirements for the welfare of farm animals during their keeping;**
- **Requirements for the welfare of broilers during their keeping;**
- **Requirements for the welfare of laying hens during their keeping;**
- **Requirements for the welfare of pigs during their keeping;**
- **Requirements for the welfare of calves during their keeping**

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Regulatory framework – What are the legal acts/regulations that you have on Animal Welfare? Do you use WOAH standards and other guidelines and best practices in your work?

Council Regulation (EC) No 1/2005 of 22 December 2004 on the protection of animals during transport and related operations

Council Regulation (EC) No 1255/97 of 25 June 1997 concerning Community criteria for staging points

Requirements for the transport of animals and related operations are in the approval stage

2025?





Implementation and enforcement – what are the main actions taken to implement and enforce your regulatory framework?

**Development
check lists for
control
(inspection acts)**

**Development
of standard
operating
procedures/
Guides**

**Organization of
cascading training
at the central
level (trainers for
trainers)**

**Organization of
cascade training
for the local
level (for
inspectors)**

**Practicing practical
skills (simulated
inspection),
identifying gaps,
corrective actions**

**Organization of
targeted
information
campaigns**

**Organization of
training for
business
operators**

**Creating and
maintaining a
register of
certificates
about the availability
of sufficient
knowledge and skills**



Data – what data you collect and how?

- *Information on the number of business operators engaged in keeping animals, slaughter*
- *Information on the number of state control measures carried out and inconsistencies identified during the state control*
- *Information on corrective actions taken*

Information is collected by receiving reports from the territorial bodies of the CA



Public awareness or educational programs – What programs are currently in place in your country?

Current information campaigns

Introduction to basic knowledge about farm animal welfare



Barriers and challenges – What barriers and challenges do you face to implement Animal Welfare regulation (cultural, economical, political, ...) ?

Economic barriers

The implementation of welfare requirements requires additional investments, particularly in poultry and pig farming - especially for small and medium-sized farms

Increase in the cost of goods and, accordingly, decrease in the profitability of farmers

Lack of motivation and incentives in farmers (existing incentives look weak)

Low purchasing power of the people

Thank you



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