

# Country report on animal welfare during slaughter

## MONTENEGRO

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## Instructions

The country has **10 minutes** to present its situation regarding animal welfare during slaughter

The purposes of those presentations are to:

- gain a better understanding of the situation in the selected countries regarding the level of implementation of Chapter 7.5 on Animal welfare during the slaughter of the WOAHA Terrestrial Animal Health Code (TAHC), especially in the context of training and competencies
- facilitate identification of main challenges to ensure animal welfare during slaughter

The WOAHA proposes to use this template to facilitate country reporting

**Please provide short and concrete answers/information**

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# Overview of the country's situation

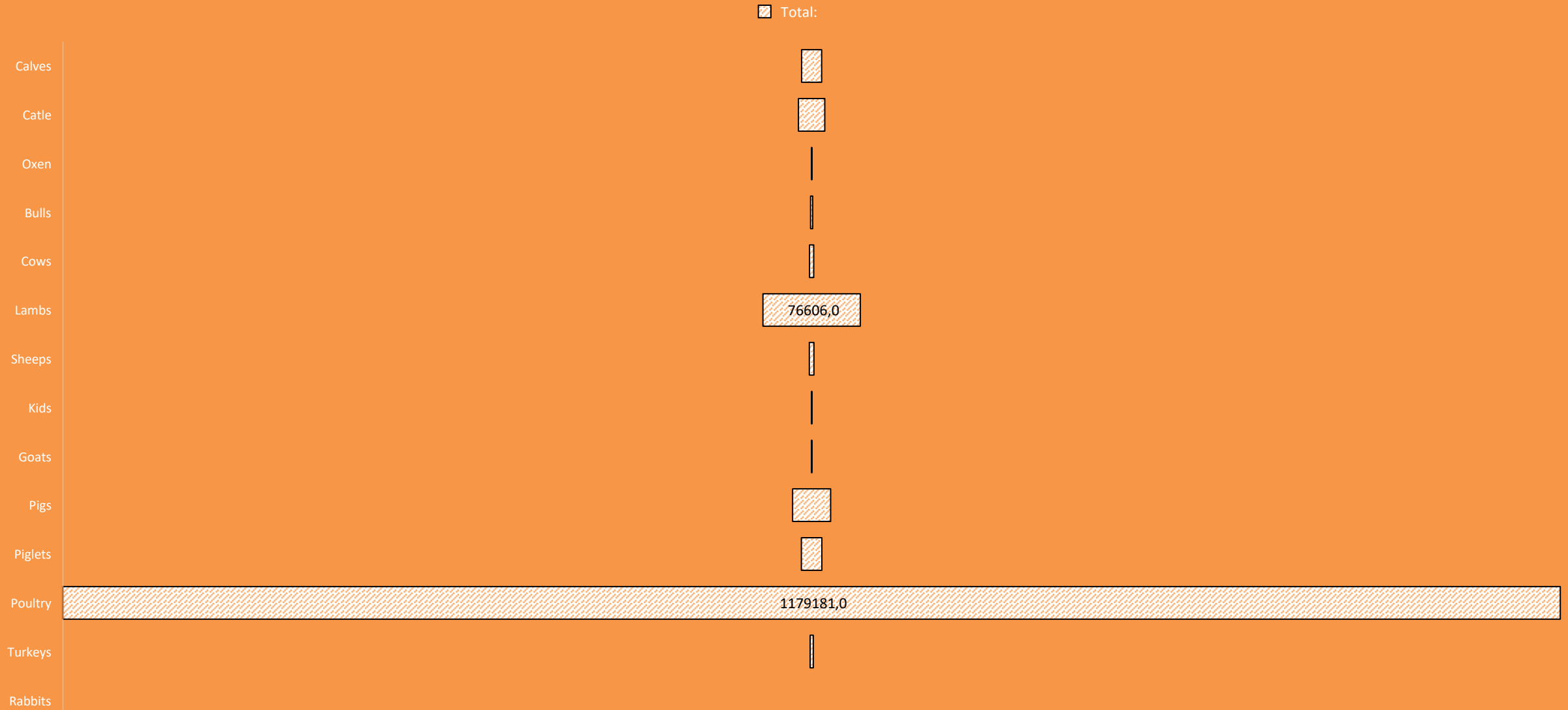
Total number of establishment's (slaughterhouses) in Montenegro 2024:	24
Ruminants and ungulates:	19
Swine:	5
Small scale (10 LSU):	12
Poultry and lagomorph:	4



Species/categories:	Total 2024:
Calves	15,736
Catle	20,586
Oxen	91
Bulls	1,591
Cows	3,416
Lambs	76,606
Sheeps	3,511
Kids	171
Goats	46
Pigs	29,936
Piglets	16,149
Poultry	1,179,181
Turkeys	2,475
Rabbits	-



### TOTAL NUMBER OF SLAUGHTERED ANIMALS:





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Approval number	Species	Stunning (Please mark all that are applicable, including the back-up stunning method used) *			Are animals killed in accordance with Article 4(4) individually restrained? (Art. 15(2))		Bovine animals restrained by inversion? (Art. 15(2))		
		✓ Annex I	≠ from Annex I	none	Yes	No	Yes (only in the context of Article 4 (4))	Yes	No
11 Šahović	B,O,C	✓				N/a			
31 Mesopromet	A	✓				N/a			
36 Denko	B, O, C	✓				N/a			
54 Primato P	B, O, C, P	✓				N/a			
88 Klanica BIF	B, O, C	✓				N/a			
92 Ljuljković	B, O, C	✓				N/a			
93 Vujačić	B, O, C	✓				N/a			
97 Tuko	B, O, C	✓				N/a			
98 Inmes Mark	B O, C, P	✓				N/a			
99 Miniko	B O, C, P	✓				N/a			
100 MI Burko	B O, C,	✓			yes				
101 Braća Musić	B	✓			yes				



# Regulatory framework and Competent Authority(ies)

- Veterinary Law
- Animal Welfare Protection Law
  - Rulebook on closer conditions for the protection of animals during slaughter - "Official Gazette of Montenegro", no. 54/2015 and 21/2019./*COUNCIL REGULATION (EC) No 1099/2009 of 24 September 2009 on the protection of animals at the time of killing*
- Administration for Food Safety, Veterinary and Phytosanitary Affairs Montenegro:
  - Veterinary ambulance (Authorised veterinarian's);
  - Veterinary inspection
  - Independent Advisor's.



# National animal welfare standards

- Are the established minimum requirements on animal welfare during slaughter in your country, including:

development and implementation of an operating plan	Yes/No/Partially
training and competency of personnel	Yes - practical experience. CA doesn't organize training for personnel. CH 7.5 Article 7.5.1.2
design of premises and choice of equipment	Yes - Sttuning method except religious slaughtering (HALAL)
standard operating procedure	Yes
recording, reporting adverse incidents, and taking corrective actions	Partially – Authorised vet. inspector
throughput (number of animals slaughtered per hour)	Partially
maintenance and cleaning procedures of equipment and premises	Yes
emergency plans	Partially



# Training a competency of slaughterhouse/abattoir personnel

What are the standards established in your country for the competencies of animal handlers and other slaughterhouse/abattoir personnel, including those carrying out restrain, stunning and bleeding operations?

- *In accordance with Rullebook, Anex 2 part 2 (EU Regulation)*

What is the level of awareness and understanding of animal welfare among slaughterhouse staff in your county?

- *High level*

What is the established training system in your country for animal handlers and other personnel, including personnel carrying out restrain, stunning and bleeding operations?

- *CA doesn't established training procedures for animal handlers and other personnel, including personnel carrying out restrain, stunning and bleeding operations.*
- *Throught the IPA project activities we plan to established all these procedures.*





# Training and competency Veterinary Services

What are the training systems and regulations established in your country for the competencies on animal welfare during slaughter for veterinary services in your county?

- *International trainings and SV*
- *Project activities*
- *In accordance with legal framework*
- *Certificates for authorised veterinarians – Independent body*



# Implementation of the standards

*Please provide short description*

How is the Competent Authority implementing standards on animal welfare during slaughter in your country?

- Approval establishment's
- AW condition's
- Equipement and method's used
- Depo's conditiones by speaces and categories
- In accordance with legal framework



# Monitoring and evaluation

How is the Competent Authority monitoring and evaluating the effectiveness of standards on animal welfare during slaughter in your country?

- *Authorised veterinarian's is monitoring process on the slaughter line*
- *Annual plan for official controls*

What data on animal welfare during slaughter do you collect and how?

- *There is no any evidence*



## Conclusions - gaps/weaknesses or challenges

Overall, do you consider that your country is in compliance with the WOAH standards regarding animal welfare during the slaughter?

- *Compliance yes*
- *Implementation partially*

Please list the main gaps/weaknesses or challenges for the Competent Authority(ies) in your country to implement WOAH standards and country legislation and requirements for animal welfare during the slaughter.

- *Trainings for handlers;*
- *SOPs;*
- *Evidence;*
- *Standardization to all establishments except small scale*



## Conclusions - support requirements and next steps

What support or assistance would your county need to effectively implement a national animal welfare training program for slaughterhouse personnel and/or Veterinary Services?

- *Trainings*

Which stakeholders and partners (government agencies, NGOs, farmers, veterinary professionals, education establishments) should be involved in the development of an animal welfare training program for slaughterhouse personnel and/or Veterinary Services?

- *CA*
- *Farmers*
- *Veterinarians*
- *Vet. inspectors*

Are there any country priorities and goals regarding animal welfare in slaughterhouses

- *Continuously*

# Thank you

The background of the slide is a photograph of a brick clock tower, likely the Bregora Clock Tower in Tirana, Albania. The image is heavily filtered with a warm, orange-red color, creating a soft, glowing effect. The tower's architecture is visible, including its square base, arched windows, and the clock faces on the upper levels. The sky in the background is a pale, hazy blue.

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