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INSPECTION SERVICES

INSPECTION CHECKLIST FOR WELFARE OF TRANSPORT ANIMALS

Inspector team: (Team Leader)
Date of Inspection (DD/MM/YY):	
Reasons for Inspection (Please <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> one): <input type="checkbox"/> Regular <input type="checkbox"/> Follow-up <input type="checkbox"/> Complaint <input type="checkbox"/> Others:	

A. Farm Information:

A01.	Property Owner:				
A02.	Location of Farm	Dzongkhag:			
		Dungkhag:			
		Gewog:			
		Village:			
		Specific place:			
		Mobile Number of the respondent:	+975 -		
A03.	Type of farm:	(Please tick () one) <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Semi-commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Backyard			
A05.	Size of the farm: No. of animals:	Numbers (total heads):			
		M	F	Calf	Others

Clause no.	Requirements	Y	N	NA	Evidence/ Remarks
A. Mustering of stock					

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A1	This procedure causes stress to the animals and as such following conditions shall be fulfilled:				
A2	yards shall be provided with troughs for drinking water				
A3	if animals are kept in yards for more than 24 hours or travelled for more than 24 hours both feed and water should be provided at adequate intervals				
B. Selection of stock					
B1	only healthy and fit animals shall be transported and sick, injured, weak or animals in late pregnancy shall not be allowed to be transported				
B2	calves and adults shall be transported in separate vehicle or should be partitioned if transported in the same vehicle.				
C. Standards for transport vehicles					
C1	it should be clean and disinfected				
C2	no protrusions or sharp edges such as hinges/latches should be projected out				
C3	surfaces of vehicle coming in contact with animals should be smooth to reduce bruising				
C4	deck height should be sufficient for animals to avoid contacting overhead structures				
C5	flooring materials provided should be of non-slip material, easily repairable, and should not cause injury to hooves/legs				
C6	the spacing of side rails should be such that it prevents trapping of heads or legs of animals;				
C7	the height of the side walls of vehicle shall be high enough to prevent animals from jumping or escaping				
C8	partitions and fittings provided shall be well secured;				
C9	design of stock crate shall be such that it shall prevent overcrowding and jolting				
D. Loading facilities					
D1	ramp shall be large enough to allow hips of mature animals to pass easily				
D2	a flat area at the top of the ramp should be one metre in length should be at the level with the floor of vehicle for easy loading and unloading of animal				
D3	recommendation for a slope of permanent ramp shall be 1:3 (about 20 degrees)				

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D4	surfaces of ramp shall be of non-slip and grooved to provide good grip				
E. Loading of animals					
E1	during loading, animals of different species or of different age or sex shall not be mixed to prevent fights and injuries to each other				
E2	sheep, goats and calves below six months can be transported together				
E3	Bulls should not be carried together with other stock unless separated by strong partition				
E4	loading of animals shall be done the rear side of vehicle				
E5	during loading animals shall not be lifted by horns, ears, head, legs or wool				
E6	sufficient floor space shall be provided as per the requirement for different species of animals as specified under loading density				
E7	pigs should not be fed before transport as this can lead to death				
E8	flappers with a length of a cane stick with a short strap of leather or canvas attached it shall be used whereas use of sticks, metallic pipes, etc shall be prohibited				
F. Unloading of animals					
F1	all requirements similar to loading of animals shall be applied for unloading of animals as well				
F2	as far as possible animals shall be allowed to walk quietly out of vehicle				
F3	adequate feed and water shall be made available if be kept in yards for 24 hours or more				
G. In-transit inspection					
G1	animals should be observed at 30 minutes after the start of journey and thereafter at least every 2 hours during transportation				
G2	a suitable lighting sources shall be carried for observation of animal at night				
G3	leg of animals shall not be tied during transport in vehicle				
G4	prompt veterinary aid shall be made available if sickness or injury results during transportation.				
H. Duration of journey					

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H1	a rest period from 12 to 24 hours shall be provided for immature ruminants and horses that traveled more than 24 hours				
H2	a rest period from 12 to 24 hours shall be provided for pigs traveled more than 36 hours. Adequate water shall be provided at frequent intervals during the journey				
H3	mature cattle, sheep or goats shall not be allowed to travel for than 36 hours at a stretch. They shall be offloaded after 24 hours r for feed and water if the journey is to continue for more than 24 hours.				
H4	if the animals are to be walked on foot, a maximum distance for one day should not exceed 30 Km for cattle and 24 Km for sheep and goats.				
I. Recommended loading density (during road transport)					
I1	Adequate floor space shall be provided such that an animal fallen or cast on the floor shall be able to get up comfortably.				
I2	Approximate floor space for cattle: refer welfare standard for transport				
I3	Approximate floor space for sheep and goats: refer welfare standard for transport				
I4	Approximate floor space for pigs: refer welfare standard for transport				
I5	Approximate floor space for horses: welfare standard for transport				
I6	Approximate floor space for poultry (live weight densities): refer welfare standard for transport				
J. Food and water requirements					
J1	Refer welfare standard for transport				
K. Specials requirements					
K1	Following animals shall be transported separately wherever possible: · Calves · Young piglets · Cow with calf · Sow with piglets · Hornless cattle · Adult bulls · Adult boars · Cattle with different sizes or belong to different herds				

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	· Females in advanced pregnancy				
K2	Pigs shall not be recommended for transport in extreme heat (38°C or more) as they are highly susceptible to heat				
K3	Chicks should be provided with adequate ventilation but at the same time avoid effects of chilling weather or excessive heat.				
Notes:					

Sign and name of Team Leader

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Sign and name of Owner

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