



Follow up of the subgroups on animal transport and on the welfare of pigs

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Next steps for the subgroups

- Agenda changed by the Farm to Fork strategy
- Reorganisation ongoing with new priorities
- Subgroups on animal transport and on the welfare of pigs are closed
- A new subgroup on animal welfare labelling will be created (see next point)

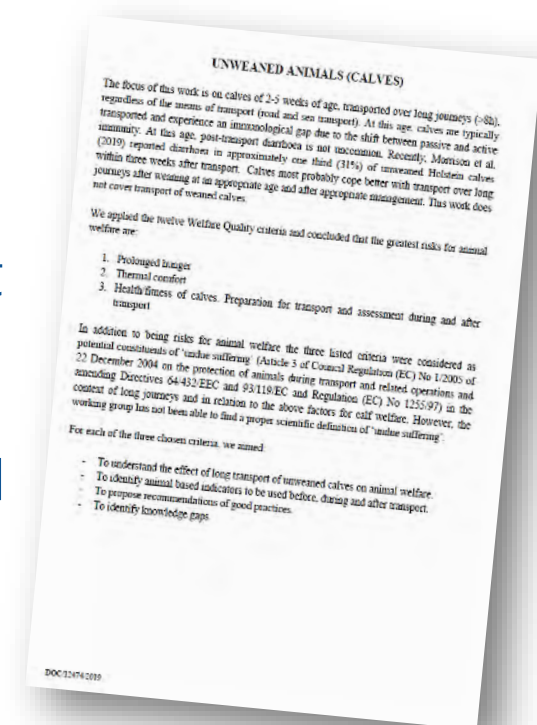




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Document on the transport of unweaned calves

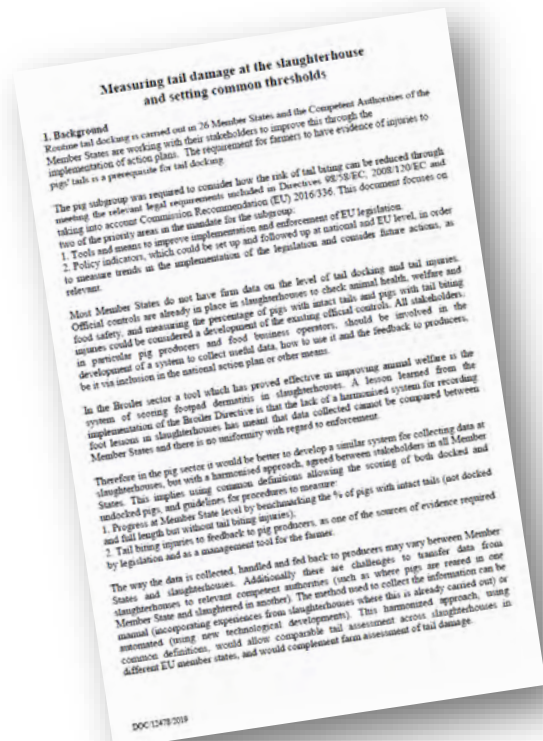
- No consensus on prolonged hunger
- Pilot project on dairy cows
- Study on alternative to transport unweaned calves over long journeys
- Reference centre on Ruminants and Equines
- EFSA opinion on animal transport





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Document on the welfare of pigs



- No consensus on measuring tail damage at slaughterhouses
- Focus on Farm to Fork priorities
- The issue will be reconsidered after reorganisation



Mandate on the sub-group on animal welfare labelling



Background



- Farm to Fork strategy narrative

The Commission will also consider options for animal welfare labelling to better transmit value through the food chain.

- Study to be launched early 2021
- Farm to Fork strategy flagship

Proposal for a sustainable food labelling framework to empower consumers to make sustainable food choices

Scope

- How the Union can better inform consumers on the welfare of animals
- Eggs, milk, fresh meat and farmed fish
- No processed food
- Experience and opinions from EU and main trade partners



Objectives

1. Identify certification schemes with animal welfare attributes;
2. Analyse, compare them based on common criteria;
3. Assess their contribution to the welfare of animals;
4. Propose actions and define tools to measure progress.

Members

10 members:

- 4 Member States, EEA members or international organisations
- 3 Business and professional organisations
- 2 Organisations from civil society
- 1 Independent expert



Expertise required

- drafting standards on food labelling
- implementation and audits of standards;
- communication of food standards;
- consumer behaviour.





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How to apply?

- Details to be published on the digital tool
- Applications **no later than 15 of July 2020**