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**Humane handling and facilities for the
protection of livestock at shows, auction
sales, vending sites and livestock pounds**

WARNING

**This standard references other
documents normatively.**

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Table of changes

Change No.	Date	Scope

Foreword

This South African standard was approved by National Committee SABS/TC 1094, *Livestock welfare*, in accordance with procedures of the SABS Standards Division, in compliance with annex 3 of the WTO/TBT agreement.

This document was published in May 2014.

Reference is made in the introduction, 3.12, 4.1, 4.2, 5.3.2, 7.1 and 7.2 to the "relevant national legislation". In South Africa, this means the Animals Protection Act, 1962 (Act No. 71 of 1962).

Reference is made in 8.3, 8.5, and 11.4 to the "relevant national legislation". In South Africa, this means the Animal Identification Act, 2002 (Act No. 6 of 2002).

Reference is made in A.3 to the "relevant national legislation". In South Africa, this means the Animals Protection Act, 1962 (Act No. 71 of 1962), the Animal Identification Act, 2002 (Act No. 6 of 2002), the Animal Diseases Act, 1984 (Act No. 35 of 1984), and the Meat Safety Act, 2000 (Act No. 40 of 2000).

Annex A forms an integral part of this document.

Introduction

This document is intended to be used as a supporting document to be read in conjunction with the relevant national legislation (see foreword).

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Humane handling and facilities for the protection of livestock at shows, auction sales, vending sites and livestock pounds

1 Scope

This standard covers requirements for the humane handling and housing of livestock at shows, auction sales (i.e. public sales or private sales), vending sites, and livestock pounds.

2 Normative references

The following referenced documents are indispensable for the application of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies. Information on currently valid national and international standards can be obtained from the SABS Standards Division.

SANS 1488, *Humane transportation of livestock by road*.

World Organization for Animal Health (OIE). *Terrestrial animal health code*, 22nd edition. OIE, 2013.

3 Definitions

For the purposes of this document, the following definitions apply.

3.1

acceptable

acceptable to the authority administering this standard, or to the parties concluding the purchase contract, as relevant

3.2

appropriate handling equipment

equipment that is specifically designed and acceptable for the safe, humane and effective control of livestock

3.3

can

term used to indicate ability

3.4

competent

having the necessary ability, knowledge, or skill to perform a particular task