

Animal Welfare Policy

ANZCO Foods strives for excellence in animal welfare.

All animals while in the care of ANZCO Foods, and/or sourced by ANZCO Foods, will be treated with respect in accordance with animal welfare regulation, codes of practice, and have their five freedoms maintained at all times:

- Freedom from hunger and thirst – by ready access to fresh water and a diet to maintain full health and vigour
- Freedom from discomfort – by providing an appropriate environment including shelter and a comfortable resting area
- Freedom from pain, injury or disease – by prevention or rapid diagnosis and treatment
- Freedom to express normal behaviour – by providing sufficient space, proper facilities and company of the animal's own kind
- Freedom from fear and distress – by ensuring conditions and treatment, which avoid mental suffering

ANZCO will proactively work with all key stakeholders, including but not limited to farmers, transporter operators, livestock agents, the Ministry for Primary Industries, Beef + Lamb NZ, Dairy NZ, the New Zealand Meat Industry Association and key customers to implement and maintain agreed animal welfare outcomes.

ANZCO has in place an animal welfare committee that is tasked with:

- Overseeing animal welfare policies and procedures
- Animal welfare strategy, foresight, and risk management procedure development
- Regular reviews of all relevant requirements and the ongoing aspirational development and implementation of animal welfare policy and strategy for ANZCO.

All ANZCO slaughtering sites will maintain risk management programmes that will facilitate the best possible animal welfare outcomes. ANZCO will ensure that all slaughtering sites have trained and certified animal welfare officers in place. Animal welfare outcomes along the entire ANZCO supply chain will be closely monitored and a proactive approach taken to any issues that may arise.



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