

# Country report on animal welfare during long distance transport by land and sea

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Multi-regional Whole Journey Scenario workshop on long-distance transport  
by land and sea between Europe, the Middle East, and North Africa

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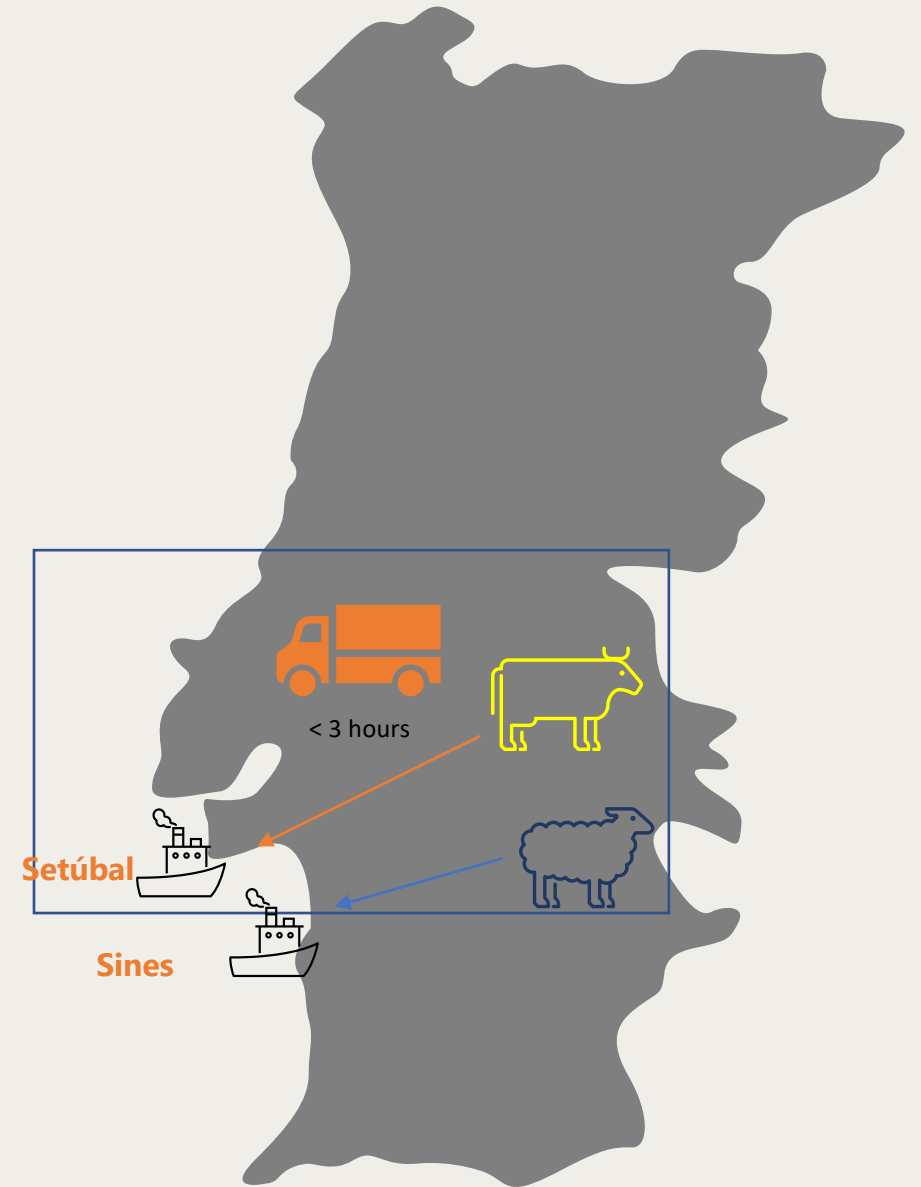


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- Animal livestock vessel exports to third countries started in september 2015
- Portugal exports animals mainly to Israel and Palestina
- Bovine and ovine animals


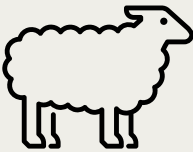


- Two sea ports- Setúbal and Sines
- Approved by DGAV as exit points
- Conditions to perform the loading Operations- loading structures; contingency planning
- Farms of origin- Region of Lisbon and Tagus valley (LVT) and Alentejo





## Overview of country livestock transport and trade

	2019	2020	2021	2022 (until November)
<b>Total number of journeys</b>	53	55	68	63
 <b>Total number of bovine</b>	72925	100393	<b>128502</b>	<b>120909</b>
 <b>Total number of ovine</b>	324009	315113	<b>421249</b>	<b>395468</b>

Mortality rate- 0,04% bovine; 0,11% ovine

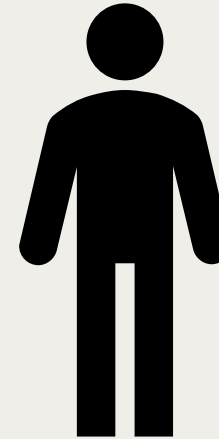


## Competent Authority(ies)

General Direction of Food and Veterinary; Port State Control

Implementation and enforcement of the Regulation 1/2005; WOH Standards (Chapter 7.2-transport by sea)

Procedures on livestock vessels/Network document on livestock vessels- available online; meetings with organizers and transporters



	TIME PERIOD BEFORE THE EXPORT DATE					TIME PERIOD AFTER THE EXPORT DATE		
	35 days	5 working days	4 working days	3 working days	2 working days - deadline for submission of changes to documents	Day of departure /shipment	2 working days after the end of the loading operation	5 working days after the end of the trip/journey
Export and quarantine application	Yellow							
List of animals entering quarantine and location plan	Yellow							
Approval certificate of the vessel (vessel already certified - 1st time in Portugal) or if the vessel is not certified, delivery of the certification request - 10 working days before the scheduled date for the certification survey. Known vessel - 5 working days		Green						
Live Animals Import License					Red			
Documentation for animal transporters					Red			
Journey planning documentation					Red			
Application for loading and transport of animals					Red			



## Planning

- Documentation validation
- Transporter authorisation and vessel certification
- Approval of the Operations
- **Transporter and organiser contingency plan (adverse weather, brekdowns, delays, etc..)**
- Import permits



**Pre-loading approval of the vessel-** vessel conditions, space allowanceM feed/water/bed; ventilation, drainage, lighting,, Treatments; cleaning and disinfections; **crew training and competence**



## Loading operations

- Control the fitness for transport
- Controls the road transport
- Control the unloading/laoding and handling of the animals
- Control of the animals on the vessel prior to departure



## Transport

- Daily records
- Photos and vídeos
- Contact whenever there are problems



## At sea port of destination

- **Feedback of the animal and vessel conditions on arrival**







### Stockman / Veterinarian Daily Report

STRAW 29.1 m/tons

#### Instructions

An accredited stock person must provide daily reports on the health and welfare of the livestock to the relevant Australian Agency and Parties concerned, commencing on day (1) of the voyage. The report must include the following information.

1. Vessel Name: MV GANADO EXPRESS		Voyage Number: 22004						
2. Total cargo Loaded:		DECK	1	2	3	4	5	TOTAL
		No. Head	330	242	0	0	4591	5163
		HEAD	Deck 1 & Portion of Deck 2 are Cattle					
			Deck 5 are Lambs					
3. Date & Day Number		07 Mar. 2022			DAY NO: 4			
4. Vessel's Position (Woods)		Latitude:	36° 29.6'N		Longitude:	013° 32.7'E		Average Speed: 15.17 KTS
ETA Next Port		Ashdod, Israel 10 Mar 2022 / 1200H L.T.						
Weather Obs.		Wind Direction:	N	Beaufort Force:	3	Sea State:	Slight	Swell State: Short
5. Mortality		DAILY TOTAL		CUMULATIVE TOTAL		Euthanasia		Natural Causes
		Lamb	1	3	HD 0.065 %		Found deceased	Unknown
					HD 0 %			
		* Comments: Found deceased lamb at deck 5 pen 23. Cause of death unknown.						
6. Health issues		DECK NO.1	DECK NO.2	DECK NO.3	DECK NO.4	DECK NO.5		
RESPIRATORY RATE		Normal	Normal	Normal	Normal	Normal		
RESPIRATORY CHARACTER		1	1	1	1	1		
FAECES		1	1	1	1	1		
SICK PEN REPORT		Report to include medication and treatments						
		Total:						
7. Feed consumption. (Pellets)		DECK NO.1	DECK NO.2	DECK NO.3	DECK NO.4	DECK NO.5	FEEDING SCHEDULE	
		6.2 kg/hd	6.2 kg/hd			1.1 kg/hd	AM	
Feed consumption. (Straw)		1.6 kg/hd	1.6 kg/hd			0.8 kg/hd	PM	
Total Feed consumption. (Straw & Pellets)		7.8 kg/hd	7.8 kg/hd			1.8 kg/hd		
Ave. Cons. Pellets & Straw		7.8 kgs/hd Cattle	1.8 kgs/hd Lamb					
Total feed Pellets:		3.6 MT Cattle	4.3 MT Lamb					
Total feed Straw:		0.9 MT Cattle	3.6 MT Lamb					
8. Water consumption		38.5 Ltrs/hd Cattle	3.9 Ltrs/hd Lamb					
9. Temperatures		DECK NO.1	DECK NO.2	DECK NO.3	DECK NO.4	DECK NO.5	AMBIENT TEMP.	
* DRY		17.0°C	18.0°C			17.0°C	15.0°C	
* WET		13.5°C	14.5°C			13.5°C	11.5°C	
Humidity		68%	69%			68%	66%	
10. Type of Cattle		* Tick Status, Tick Index, Prevalent Mites, etc.						
Degree of Heat Stress		1	1	1	1	1		
11. Ventilation		* Performance						
		100%	100%	100%	100%	100%		
12. General Comments		RECORD DAILY TREATMENTS &/OR MORTALITIES IN DETAIL ON STOCKMAN RECORD OF TREATMENTS						
		* NLS Tag numbers of deceased cattle: Lamb: Tag No. DGAV PT 9 27 71 6766. Deck 5 Hold 1 Pen 23.						
* Livestock Health and Welfare		Monitor all livestock's for any health issues or weak condition of the livestock.						
* Deck Conditions		1 1 1 1 1						
* Stocking Density		Density of the livestock's inside the pens are good.						
* Issues from Daily Meeting		Feeding and watering. Continue refilling of water and clean the troughs. Constant monitoring on the welfare of the livestock. Cattle start settling down. Segregate into pieces the straws for feeding this afternoon as it will not fit on our hay batch.						
Stockman's Name:		Nil					Vet's Name: Nil	

## Feedback from the CA of destination

- **Very important!!**

- Transporters send reports and photos...but it is not enough...
- Animal indicators and resource indicators-  
Animal cleanliness; bed conditions;  
temp/HR/amonia; ventilation; water and feed available; signs of thirsty and hungry; etc..

- Take measures in case of problems are found:

Notification; suspension; withdraw of the authorisation/certification; don't allow to load; report to the CA that issued the transporter authorisation/vessel certificate of approval

Report to all the contact points for transport





- Import permit- Be sure that the animals are going to be accepted on destination
- Working in close contact with the organisers and transportes
- Just one organiser
- Transporters procedures and records- Daily records of the vessel-report back to the CA of departure
- Specialized stockman on board and crew with specific training
- Transporter contingency plan- report the CA of departure and destination whenever there are problems
- **Communication with the CA destination- Feed-back information on arrival of the animals and vessels; contingencies; vessel problems**
- **Communication with the CA of other countries- issue the transporter authorisation and vessel certification**



- Organisers and transporters responsibilities
- Improve the journeys planning
- Crew competence and training- harmonize the system; other competences- specialized stockman and vets
- Clear/additional vessel requirements
- Collaboration between the Vet authority and the maritime authority
- Harmonize the measures adopted whenever there are problems during the journeys- contingencies

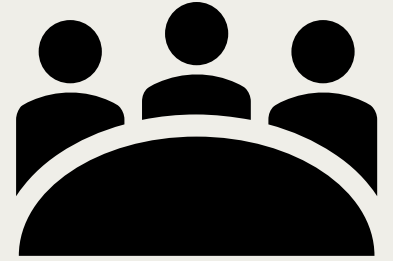


Best vessels and transporters  
operating in Portugal

Improve the animal welfare  
conditions during sea transport

# Contact point for transport

- ✓ Create a network- facilitate communication; raise questions; share cases of non compliance; how to act during contingencies; etc...
- ✓ Share good practices
- ✓ Discuss practical cases- How to control? What measures to adopt?
- ✓ Try to find solutions for the problems identified
- ✓ Discuss network documents- Procedures- authorisations, certifications, controls, etc..



# Thank you

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