Animal Welfare

Overview

This module will provide a comprehensive appreciation of welfare and ethical issues connected with farm animal practice, animal breeding, transport and slaughter, companion animals, laboratory animals, animals used in competition and wildlife.

Subject areas: An introduction to veterinary ethics; the physiology of pain, distress, fear and anxiety; the effects of genetics on animal welfare; welfare issues in animal husbandry systems; transport and slaughter; and specific welfare issues in companion, farmed, laboratory, wild and competitive animals.

Welcome to the course

Animal Welfare is an optional course in the Livestock Health and Production Programme of the Royal Veterinary College. It may also be studied as 240-hour individual module.

Animal welfare is a big subject, and the issues addressed in the course range, for example, from the methods used by farmers and producers handling many thousands of animals, to individual cases brought to the veterinarian in small animal practice. The setting is worldwide, embracing bo 0.013Tl 4eu1.0 MCID 484 z wed andeecingfoanmels.

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