

# National Council of SPCAs



## Livestock Pounds in South Africa



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# Introduction to the NSPCA



- NSPCA is a law enforcement statutory body
- Only animal welfare organisation with an act of parliament

**SOCIETIES FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS ACT NO. 169 OF 1993**

- **SPCA enforce over 90% of animal welfare legislation**

**ANIMALS PROTECTION ACT  
NO. 71 OF 1962**

- **Less than 10% of investigations result in prosecution – the majority of problems are resolved with education, warnings and advice.**

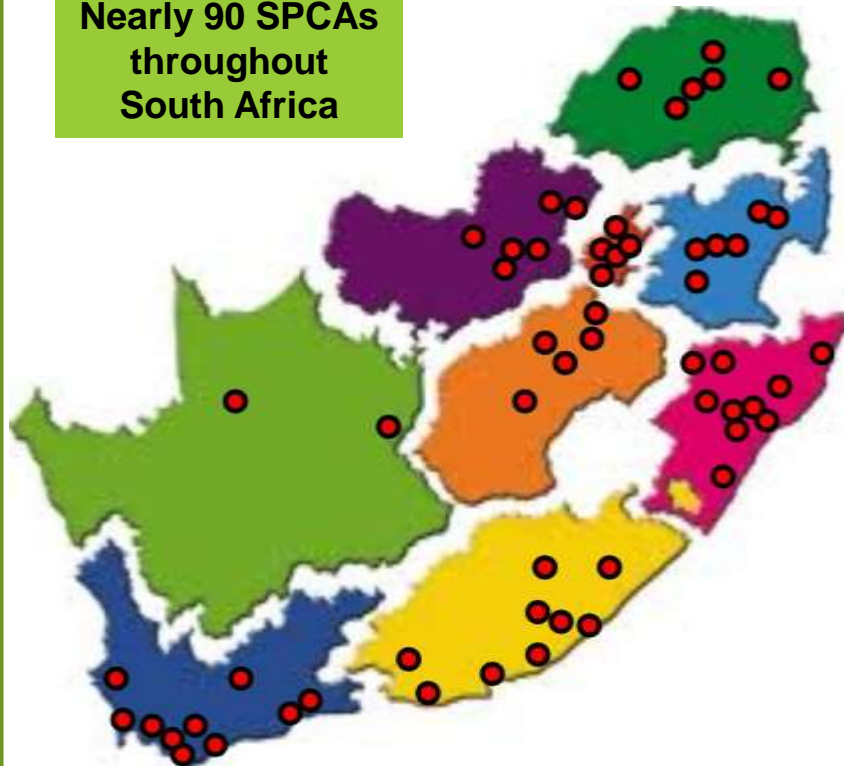


# NSPCA Overview



## Local SPCAs

Nearly 90 SPCAs  
throughout  
South Africa



## National SPCA

National Animal Protection, Law  
Enforcement & Training

6 Specialised Operational Units

- Farm Animal Protection Unit
- Wildlife Protection Unit
- Special Projects Unit
- Society Liaison Unit
- Training Unit
- Special Investigation Unit



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# FRAMEWORK

All animals are protected in terms of national legislation

## **ANIMALS PROTECTION ACT (APA) NO 71 OF 1962**

**NSPCA enforces National Legislation in South Africa**

**Not negated by a finalized Pound Act (National Animal Pounds Bill-  
2012)**

The South African Concise Oxford English Dictionary defines "pound" as follows: *"a place where stray animals may officially be taken and kept until claimed."*





# Level of Care



# Facilities



Constructing adequate facilities before animals arrive-and maintaining them!





# Facilities



There is water and food here, BUT animals needing to injure themselves to get it misses the point!



# Veterinary Care



Should never be optional- euthanasia always an option!







With a little effort!



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# Facilities



# Checklist Example

## LIVESTOCK POUND CHECKLIST

Name of Pound \_\_\_\_\_ Area \_\_\_\_\_ Pound master \_\_\_\_\_  
 Tel \_\_\_\_\_  
 Physical address \_\_\_\_\_ Postal address \_\_\_\_\_

Owner of premises \_\_\_\_\_ Tel \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Responsible person A/H \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_ Vet \_\_\_\_\_ Tel \_\_\_\_\_  
 Cell \_\_\_\_\_

Inspector \_\_\_\_\_ Society \_\_\_\_\_ Time arrived \_\_\_\_\_  
 Time departed \_\_\_\_\_

Total : Cattle \_\_\_\_\_ Equine \_\_\_\_\_ Pigs \_\_\_\_\_ Sheep \_\_\_\_\_ Goats \_\_\_\_\_  
 Other \_\_\_\_\_

	CATTLE	EQUINE	PIGS	SHEEP	GOATS	OTHER		CATTLE	EQUINE	PIGS	SHEEP	GOATS	OTHER
Accounting fees							Is there adequate pricing						
Transport fees							What are your trade or - handed over all						
Daily feed fees							Are you well maintained						
Accounting period							Are you here						
Reasons for stock mortality							What type of shelter is available						
Are suitable cages provided							Are there suitable water troughs						
Are traps / passages free of obstructions / loose objects							Are troughs clean with water provided						
Are traps / pens suitable							Are the troughs filled						

Is there adequate							Are there troughs per pen						
Is there adequate bedding							Are animals supervised fed						
What are they fed							Are water supervised						
How often and how fed							Method of sale / possible control						
	CATTLE	EQUINE	PIGS	SHEEP	GOATS	OTHER		CATTLE	EQUINE	PIGS	SHEEP	GOATS	OTHER
Are feeding troughs / water provided. Quality provided							Are animals fed up and down						
Are animals properly cared for and fed							Is emergency slaughter performed when necessary						
Are animals supervised							Describe method						
Are there restraint facilities							Overall condition of animals						
Is bedding suitable							Overall condition of facilities						
Are different animals separated (Mature etc)													

Does the Pound have their own transport \_\_\_\_\_ Who owns the trucks \_\_\_\_\_

Tel \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_

Is transport suitable \_\_\_\_\_ Describe vehicle / rails / floor surface etc \_\_\_\_\_

Is the Pound open 24 hours \_\_\_\_\_ Are there emergency numbers available - Name \_\_\_\_\_

Tel \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_

A/H emergency contact - Name \_\_\_\_\_ Tel \_\_\_\_\_ Cell \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Photos taken \_\_\_\_\_ Action taken \_\_\_\_\_





# Non-negotiables

- 1. ANIMALS MUST HAVE WATER AT ALL TIMES.**
- 2. ANIMALS MUST HAVE APPROPRIATE AND SUFFICIENT FEED.**
- 3. ANIMALS MUST HAVE SUITABLE SHELTER.**
- 4. ANIMALS MUST BE KEPT TREATED AGAINST PARASITES.**
- 5. ANIMALS MUST RECEIVE PROMPT VETERINARY TREATMENT IF SICK OR INJURED.**
- 6. AN OFF-LOADING RAMP MUST BE USED.**
- 7. WRITTEN RECORDS MUST BE KEPT OF ALL THE ANIMALS.**
- 8. FACILITIES MUST BE CLEAN AND WELL MAINTAINED.**



# Main points

Really the crux of the matter for animals kept temporarily

- **PENS**
- **ISOLATION FACILITIES**
- **RAMPS**
- **GATES**
- **PASSAGES**
- **CRUSH OR HANDLING FACILITIES**
- **SHELTER REQUIREMENTS**
- **FENCING**
- **HEALTH AND HYGIENE**
- **FEED**
- **FEED CONTAINERS**
- **RECORDS**
- **PREDATORS**
- **STOCK THEFT**
- **DISEASE AND INJURY**
- **EMERGENCY SLAUGHTER**



# QUESTIONS?



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**THANK YOU**

