Livestock Standards

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• Guiding principles and policies for upholding and improvement of animal health and production food safety, animal welfare, One Health and compliance with OIE international standards
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1. Good Emergency Management Practice

- Prevent
- Detect
- Prepare
- Respond

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2. Livestock Disease Surveillance System

Early detection and effective prevention are crucial in saving lives and use of massive resources
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• Manual for livestock disease surveillance and information system (FAO) – Link: http://www.fao.org/docrep/004/X3331E/X3331E00.HTM
• VSF Suisse & VSF Germany – South Sudan Livestock Disease Surveillance and Early Warning System Guidelines (Supported by USAID/OFDA)
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3. Livestock Emergency Guidelines and Standard (LEGS)

Promote the adoption of LEGS to protect and rebuild livestock assets, whenever the existence of people is largely dependent on livestock and maintain best programming practices in humanitarian contexts.

Link: https://www.livestock-emergency.net/download-legs/
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4. Community based animal health delivery system (including training and management)

Training Manual for Community Animal Health Workers of South Sudan – Ministry of Animal Resources and Fisheries Republic of South Sudan 2012

Currently under review
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5. OIE Terrestrial Animal Health Code

Sets out standards for the improvement of animal health and welfare and veterinary public health worldwide, including through standards for safe international trade in terrestrial animals (mammals, reptiles, birds and bees) and their products. Link: http://www.oie.int/standard-setting/terrestrial-code/
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Outlines key strategic objectives aimed at improving awareness, strengthening knowledge through surveillance, reduce infection incidences, appropriate use of antimicrobials and sustainable investments in development of new medicines, diagnostic tools, vaccines and other interventions.

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7. One Health
An approach that is aimed at improving the health and well-being through risks prevention and mitigation effects of crises that originate at the interface between humans, animals and the environment.

Link: http://www.who.int/features/qa/one-health/en/
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8. OIE Tool for the Evaluation of Performance of Veterinary Services

Allows countries/entities to support veterinary services in establishing their current level of performance, identifying gaps and weaknesses in their ability to comply with OIE international standards, and forming a shared vision with interested parties1 (including the private sector)

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9. OIE Guidelines on veterinary legislation

Are a crucial component of good governance of veterinary services in addition to strengthening their contribution to food security, animal production food safety, public health, and reduction of biological risks. The legislation should as a minimum include relevant guidelines in order to protect: animal health and food security; food safety; public health (zoonotic diseases) and security (stray animals); animal welfare, as defined by the OIE.

- South Sudan National Veterinary Policy

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10. Animal Welfare

Outlines how animals cope with conditions they live in. It is healthy, comfortable, well nourished, safe, able to express innate behaviour, and if it is not suffering from unpleasant states such as pain, fear and distress.

Link:

Proverbs 12:10 “Whoever is righteous has regard for the life of his beast, but the mercy of the wicked is cruel.”
Our goal: Sustainable livestock based livelihoods