

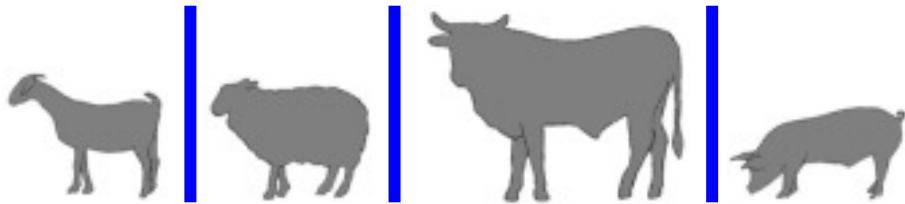


# Handlers Guide to Good Livestock Handling

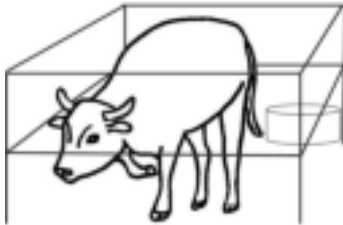
In South Africa animals have the right to protection in terms of the Animals Protection Act No. 71 of 1962.

**Persons handling livestock must do so correctly and humanely to prevent injury and stress and to comply with the law**

1. Avoid mixing animals from different places and avoid mixing different species.



2. Aggressive or fractious animals should be kept separate from other animals.



**NO use of**

- Whips
- Metal Pipes
- Bars
- Sticks
- Stones

**on the animals**

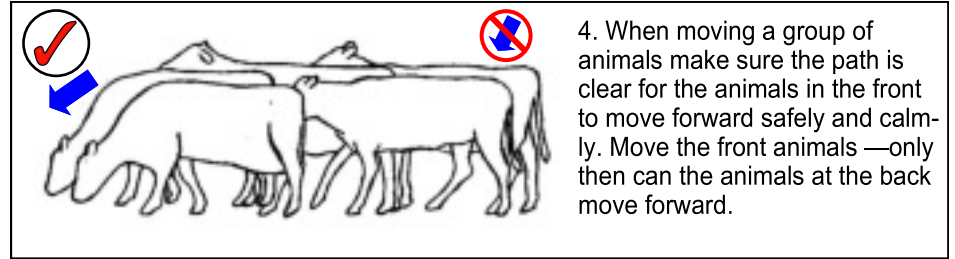
3. Animals may not be handled by fleece (wool), hair, horns, skin, ears, tails or legs.



**Calm animals are easier and safer to handle**



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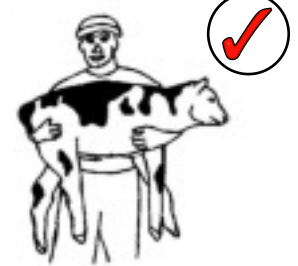


4. When moving a group of animals make sure the path is clear for the animals in the front to move forward safely and calmly. Move the front animals —only then can the animals at the back move forward.

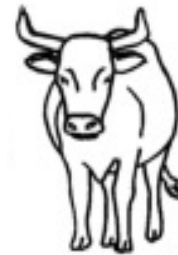
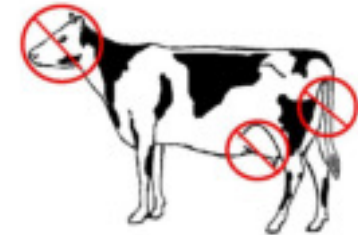
5. Pigs should be moved with pig boards.



6. Young animals without their mothers do not herd easily and may need to be lifted or carried.



7. Prodders may only be used now and then (intermittently) on cattle (excluding calves) and never to sensitive parts of the body such as face and genitals.



8. Only battery operated and rechargeable prodders may be used only when necessary and only on cattle (excluding calves).



**A good stockman handles animals CALMLY and QUIETLY**

**NO Shouting, Hitting, Tail Twisting, Beating Kicking or Chasing**



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