FVE transport Working Group

Update

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FVE Transport working Group

- FVE has a WG on transport since <2000
- Revised composition since July 2009
- Had 4 meetings (26/10/09, 27/4/10, 25/1/11 and 19/10/11)
  & 1 telephone conf. (14/7/10)
- Term ends Nov 2011
Composition FVE WG on transport

WG Members:

- Padraig Kenny (Ireland)
- Giancarlo Belluzzi (Italy)
- Madeleine Campbell (UK)
- Ludo Hellebrekers (Netherlands)
- Istvan Soos (FEEVA)
- Karen von Holleben (Germany)
- Jorunn Vormeland Dalen (UEVH)
- Borut Zemljic (Slovenia)
- Nancy De Briyne (Secretariat)
Focus on implementation & enforcement

- FVE transport WG released position paper on role of vet in relation to transport

- FVE/BEVA workshop enforcement of horse transport Dec 2010

- FVE took part in European Parliament debate

- FVE WG is preparing survey on training

- FVE WG discussed enforcement and penalties

- FVE supported developing multi-stakeholder “Fitness of bovines for transport” guide
FVE briefing on
Implementation and Enforcement of Regulation 1/2005
“"The Veterinarian’s Role "

The FVE welcomes and supports the commitment of Commissioner John Dalli to focus on the rigorous implementation and enforcement of the current EU regulation on the transport of live animals (Regulation (EC) N 1/2005), and also welcomes his acknowledgement of the importance of the role of FVE as a source of knowledge and expertise in the development and future support of policies and legislation.

The FVE is fully committed to the highest standards of animal health and welfare in all sectors and under all circumstances.

The veterinary profession, by virtue of their high level of professional training and expertise and their trusted reliable relationship with owners and their animals, is ideally placed to show leadership, to educate and influence people and to speak with a strong independent voice. The role of veterinarians in inspection and certification of animals for fitness to travel is essential in ensuring animals’ fitness and health prior to the start of a journey and in safeguarding the animals’ fitness, health and welfare during transportation.

The transportation of animals is integral to livestock farming in the EU and although every transport causes a degree of stress, the vast majority of movements take place without significant or unacceptable distress being caused to the animals. Nevertheless, a significant number of journeys continue to take place in which animal welfare standards are...
Commission report on Reg 1/2005

Planned **NOVEMBER 2011**

On basis of:

- EFSA study Jan/2011
- IBF survey
- clarify data protection issue satellite navigation data
- ...

... to come with legislation *“if necessary”* on long journeys, journey times, resting periods, space allowances, ...
BEVA/FVE Equine transport enforcement award – 2011

**Aim:** to be given annually to the individual working in the field doing the most to improve the enforcement of equine transport regulations

Application form and more info on: [www.fve.org](http://www.fve.org)
And as the groups mandate is ending, they recommend to the FVE Board and members:

- To make the Terms of Reference for the new group as ‘smart’ as possible
- To ensure a formal communication between the group & the FVE Board
- FVE - NGO’s on a case-by-case basis, aligning strategies for joint goals & respecting differences
- WG to liaise with other FVE WG’s e.g. on FCI

_BUT MOST OF ALL:_

**FVE to continue to have a transport working group**
Thank You

Questions, comments are always welcome!