

The five welfare needs (1)

Somewhere suitable to live

Animals should have the right type of home, including shelter, space/opportunities to exercise and somewhere comfortable to rest and hide.



The five welfare needs (2)

A proper diet, including fresh water

Animals should have access to fresh, clean water all the time and should be given the right type and amount of food to keep them fit and healthy.



The five welfare needs (3)

The ability to express normal behaviour

Animals should have enough space and appropriate facilities to allow them to behave normally.



The five welfare needs (4)

Any need to be housed with, or apart from, other animals

Animals should be given appropriate company. Some animals should have the company of other animals of their own kind, and some should be kept on their own.



The five welfare needs (5)

Protection from, and treatment of, illness and injury

Animals should be protected from pain, suffering, injury and disease and should be treated by a vet if they are sick or injured.

