

WELLINGTON SPCA
INSPECTOR REPORT

PHJ116441

Complaint Reference No.

Building: BKB
Street: R45
Suburb:
Postal Code:
Inspector: INSPECTOR ONE
Date of Inspection: 2025-10-14
Time of Inspection: 11:00

RESPONDENT'S DETAILS

Name:
Company:
Identification:
Email:
Tel 1:
Tel 2:

REPORT

Access Granted By: Manager
Comment:
Were Animals Seen on the Property: Yes
Relationship to Property Owner: Owner
Captured By: INSPECTOR ONE 2025-10-17 11:49

CHECKLISTS

WATER AVAILABLE	No ***	
ADEQUATE SHELTER AVAILABLE	No ***	
ADEQUATE SPACE AVAILABLE	Yes	
CLEAN LIVING ENVIRONMENT	No ***	Some hazardous material
ANIMALS IN GOOD CONDITION	No ***	2 sheep had injuries
VETERINARY PROBLEMS / HEALTH CO	Yes ***	2 sheep had injuries
CONFINEMENT OF ANIMALS	Free roaming - in property	

General Report Comments: Inspector Elani and I, Trainee Inspector Hugh arrived at the sale yard. We then approached the office area and met with the manager at the time. We then explained to him that we were there to do a thorough inspection of the sale yard and he agreed. We then took his email address and explained to him that we would issue a warning on any contraventions we observed, which he then agreed to.

SHEEP

We approached the sheep area and we saw that there were 55 lots where sheep were held. We walked through every lot and only one of the lots had access to water. We then advised one of the workers to fill the water, which he then started doing while we were doing the inspection. We explained this to the manager as well and he mentioned that they were busy with renovations. They would be installing improved water containers soon. We saw that species were separated and we then came across a sheep with an injured leg in lot 16. We then called them in order to isolate the sheep and they did so. We then moved through the lots and uncovered another injured sheep in lot 44 and it was removed/isolated as well. We saw no one offloading at this time as the sheep were all already in lots.

CATTLE

We moved towards the cattle and we also saw that none of the lots had access to water. We then informed the manager about this as well and he mentioned that they were renovating the cattle area. The cattle had about 40 lots. We then moved to the offloading of the cattle and we could see that their ramps were not adequate. They had no barriers on the sides where cattle were offloaded which could cause injury to the cattle. They also used battery operated prodders while offloading. There were nails protruding in some of the lots and hazardous material.

AUCTION

We then moved to the auction to see how animals were handled and the auction of sheep went quickly. It was dealt with fairly.

We then spotted a vehicle offloading sheep inhumanely and grabbing the sheep by their limbs. We then approached them and showed them the correct manner in handling the sheep. They then argued with the employees at BKB due to them telling the public they do not have enough staff so public needs to offload sheep by themselves.

Elani then issued warning 07 to: Hentie Smit CK33034

-Ensure to handle your sheep humanely as stated above in future as you were observed pulling the legs and carrying a sheep inhumanely.

We then walked around the auction and uncovered a vehicle still standing with sheep on it. The sheep had no access to water or shelter. We then found the owner and explained to him that the sheep need access to water as he was not planning on moving the sheep within the next hour. He understood and mentioned we should leave the warning on his car as he's busy with the auction.

Elani then issued warning 08 to: Gerhard CJ46169.

-Ensure to provide potable water for your livestock when stationary for long periods of time.

We then explained to the manager that we would email what we found to him.

To send warning.

ACTIONS

Warning Issued	07 and 08
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REPORT OUTCOMES

Follow-up inspection to be conducted	2025-10-17
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INSPECTION ANIMALS

Description:

70 x CATTLE (CATTLE) - CONDITION: Okay

Description:

550 x GOATS / SHEEP (SHEEP) - CONDITION: Okay