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<b>1. General principles</b>				
<b>1.2. Personnel</b>				
1.2.1	Personnel involved in unloading, moving, transporting of animals shall be sufficient in number, patient, considerate, competent and familiar with animal welfare principles.	A		Handlers are used to the job and well trained. Training registration seen of 20/8/13. Trainers Militaru Christina and Matei Florin
1.2.2	Competence is acquired through formal training and practical experience.	A		OK
<b>1.3. Animal behaviour</b>				
1.3.1	Keep animals in compatible groups	B		all animals in compatible groups
1.3.2	No mixing of animals which are likely to harm each other	B		no harming seen
1.3.3	Facilities, transport vessels and containers shall take the nature of the animal into account	B		a ramp is present to unload
1.3.4	Avoid panic reaction through sudden approach of the animals leading to aggression or attempted escape, compromising animal welfare	B		staff is trained and is experienced
1.3.5	The point of balance shall be used to move animals forwards/backwards (i.e. before, behind the point of balance)	B		no remarks
1.3.6	Smells causing negative responses shall be taken into account	B		no negative smells observed
1.3.7	Avoid constant loud noises and sudden noises when handling animals	B		no loud noises
<b>1.4. Distraction and removal</b>				
1.4.1	Design of loading and unloading facilities shall be such as to minimize potential distractions such as:	A		
1.4.2	Reflections on shiny metal/wet floors (move/change lighting)	B		no reflection seen
1.4.3	Dark entrances (illuminate with indirect lighting)	B	B	it is not dark inside although extra bulbs would facilitate the entrance.
1.4.4	Avoid animals seeing moving people or equipment up ahead (shields, solid slides on chutes)	B		none
1.4.5	Dead ends (curve passage or make illusory passage)	B		none
1.4.6	Chain and other loose objects (remove)	B		no chains used
1.4.7	Uneven floors or sudden drop in floor level (install solid false floor)	B	B	floor level at entrance of slaughterline with some undeeep holes
1.4.8	Sounds or air hissing from pneumatic equipment (silencers, vent high pressure)	B		no hissing noise
1.4.9	Clanging and banging of metal objects (install rubber stops)	B		no clanging
1.4.10	Air currents from fans or air curtains blowing into the face of animals (redirect/reposition)	B		no current of air
<b>2. Moving and handling animals</b>				
<b>2.1. General considerations</b>				
2.1.1	Each slaughterhouse shall have a dedicated plan including risk analysis per process step for animal welfare in order to maintain a good level of animal welfare at all stages of animal handling until they are killed. The plan contains standard operating procedures for each step of animal handling based on relevant indicators. It includes corrective actions in case of specific risks which could adversely impact welfare of animals.	A	A	slaughterplan is not documented before, only chip control and registration is executed before slaughtering by the official vet;
2.1.2	Transport shall be conducted in accordance with the animal welfare scheme for transport.	A		transport is <7Hours (mostly max 5 hours)
2.1.3	Following principles apply when unloading animals, moving them into and out of the lairage pens up to the slaughter point:			Veterinarian Dr Barsan Geani is on duty before and during slaughtering to make sure animals are healthy and animal welfare is respected.
2.1.3.1	a) The condition of animals shall be assessed upon arrival for any animal welfare and health problems by the animal welfare officer or a person reporting directly to the animal welfare officer upon arrival in order to identify the priorities, in particular by determining which animals have specific animal welfare needs and the corresponding measures to be taken.	B		condition assessment is executed by a veterinarian surgeon ante mortem.
2.1.3.2	b) Injured or sick animals requiring immediate slaughter, shall be killed humanely and without delay. Animals which are unable to walk shall not be dragged to the place of slaughter, but shall be killed where they lie.	B		Stunning is possible outside the slaughterline.
2.1.3.3	c) Avoid injury through falling or slipping through forcing animals beyond walking pace. 99% of animals shall be moved without them falling.	B		no falling seen
2.1.3.4	d) Animals shall not be forced to walk over other animals	B		none
2.1.3.5	e) Animals shall be handled in accordance in order to avoid harm, distress and injury. Animal handlers shall never apply injurious objects or irritating substances to animals and especially not to sensitive areas. They shall not kick or strike animals, use prods or other implements with pointed ends.	B		handlers take them by the head and follow the animal towards the slaughterline.
2.1.3.6	<b>A plan shall be available of the lairages indicating the maximum number of animals to be kept. Traceability within the lairages shall be maintained.</b>	A	A	This plan is not documented



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<b>2.2. Provisions relevant to restraining and containing animals</b>				
2.2.1	Relevant provisions include:			
	a) A non-slippery floor	A		ok
	b) Avoidance of excessive pressure applied by restraining equipment causing equipment engineered to reduce noise of air hissing and clanging metal	A		ok
	c) Absence of sharp edges in restraining equipment that can harm animals	A		ok
	d) Avoidance of jerking or sudden movement of restraining device	A		ok
2.2.2	Methods of restraint causing avoidable sufferance shall not be used in conscious animals because they cause severe pain and stress:			
	a) Suspending and hoisting animals by the feet or legs	A		none
	b) Indiscriminate and inappropriate use of stunning equipment	A		stunning equipment backup available
	c) Breaking legs, cutting leg tendons or blinding animals in order to immobilise them	A		none
	d) Severing the spinal cord by means of a puntilla or dagger or to immobilise animals using electric currents	A		no
<b>3. Lairage design and construction</b>				
<b>3.1. General considerations</b>				
3.1.1	Lairage design and construction shall be appropriate and will not compromise animal welfare.	B	B	water is not available the whole time
3.1.2	Animals shall move freely in the required direction, using their behavioural characteristics without undue penetration of their flight zone.	B		ok
<b>3.2. Design of the lairage</b>				
3.2.1	The lairage shall allow a one-way flow of animals from unloading to the point of slaughter, with a minimum of abrupt corners.	B		ok
3.2.2	Pens, passageways and races shall be arranged as to permit inspection of animals at any time, with the provision to remove sick or injured animals when appropriate including adequate accommodation.	A		all sides can be checked of the animal
3.2.3	Each animal shall have room to stand up, and turn around, except when the animal is reasonably restrained for safety reasons. Fractious animals shall be slaughtered as soon as possible to avoid welfare problems. Accommodation is sufficient for the numbers intended to be held. Drinking water shall always be available. Troughs shall be designed and installed in order to minimize fouling by faeces without introducing risk of bruising or injury to animals. They shall not hinder movement of animals.	A		enough space
3.2.4	Holding pens shall be designed to allow as many animals as possible to stand or lie down against a wall. Where feed troughs are provided, they shall be sufficient in number and provide for feeding space in order to allow adequate access of all animals to feed.	A		ok
3.2.5	Where tethers, ties or individual stalls are used, these shall be designed as to avoid injury or distress to the animals and allow the animals to stand and access any food and water that may need to be provided. Horses may be tied in order to be driven to the shoot.	A	A	only buckets to provide water
3.2.7	Passageways and races shall be straight or consistently curved, with solid sides. In case of double race, the shared partition shall allow adjacent animals to see each other.	A		ok
3.2.8	Animal handlers shall be positioned alongside races and passageways on the inside radius of curves to take advantage of the natural tendency of animals to circle an intruder. One-way gates shall be constructed in a way to avoid bruising. Races shall be horizontal but in case of slopes, these shall be constructed to allow free movement of animals without injury to ensure animals don't fall off.	B		ok
3.2.9	Slaughterhouses with high throughput shall have a waiting pen with a level floor and solid sides between the holding pens and the race leading to the point of stunning or slaughter	B		low throughput
3.2.10	Ramps shall be used for loading and unloading animals when there is a difference in height with a minimum gradient achievable. They shall be well drained, with secure footholds and adjustable to facilitate easy movement of animals without causing distress or injury.	B		ramps are available
3.2.11	Every day that the slaughterhouse operates, before any animal arrives, isolation pens for animals that require specific care shall be prepared and kept ready for immediate use.	B		in use and cleaned



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<b>3.3. Construction of lairages</b>				
3.3.1	Lairages shall be constructed and maintained so as to provide protection from unfavourable climatic conditions, using strong and resistant materials such as concrete and metal which has been treated to prevent corrosion. Surfaces shall be easy to clean without sharp edges or protuberances which may injure the animals.	B		ok
3.3.2	Floors shall be well drained and not slippery in order to avoid injury to the feet of the animals. Drainage grids shall be placed at the sides of pens and passageways and not where animals would have to cross them. Discontinuities or changes in floor, wall or gate colours, patterns or texture which could cause baulking in the movement of animals shall be avoided.	B		ok
3.3.3	Lairages shall be provided with adequate lighting, but care shall be taken to avoid harsh lights and shadows, which frighten the animals or affect their movement. The fact that animals will move more readily from a darker area into a well-lit area might be exploited by providing for lighting that can be regulated accordingly. Adequate fixed or portable lighting shall be provided to enable inspection of animals at any time.	B		ok
3.3.4	Lairages shall be adequately ventilated to ensure that waste gases (e.g. ammonia) do not build up and that draughts at animal height are minimised. Ventilation shall be able to cope with the range of expected climatic conditions and the number of animals the lairage will be expected to hold. Where mechanical means of ventilation are required, provision shall be made for an alarm and emergency back-up facilities in the event of a breakdown.	B		open windows
3.3.5	Care shall be taken to protect the animals from excessively or potentially disturbing noises.	B		very calm area
3.3.6	Where animals are kept in outdoor lairages without natural shelter or shade, they shall be protected from the effects of adverse weather conditions. In the absence of such protection, these lairages shall not be used under adverse weather conditions. In the absence of a natural source of water, drinking facilities shall be provided.	B		outdoor lairage without roof/ construction material of wall not resistant enough.
<b>4. Care of animals in lairages</b>				
4.1	Animals in lairages shall be cared for in accordance with the following recommendations:  As far as possible, established groups of animals shall be kept together and each animal shall have enough space to stand up, lie down and turn around. Animals hostile to each other shall be separated.	A		enough space
4.2	Where tethers, ties or individual stalls are used, they shall allow animals to stand up without causing injury or distress.	A		ok
4.3	Where bedding is provided, it shall be maintained in a condition that minimises risks to the health and safety of the animals, and sufficient bedding shall be used so that animals do not become soiled with manure.	A	A	only max 1 night . No bedding was seen
4.4	Animals shall be kept securely in the lairage, and care shall be taken to prevent them from escaping and from predators.	A		no predators
4.5	Suitable drinking water shall be available to the animals on their arrival and at all times to animals in lairages unless they are to be slaughtered without delay.	A	A	only 2 bucket
4.6	Waiting time shall be minimised and shall not exceed 12 hours. If animals are not to be slaughtered within this period, suitable feed shall be available to the animals on arrival and at intervals appropriate to the species. Unweaned animals shall be slaughtered as soon as possible.	A		max 1 night
4.7	<b>Location and duration of travel shall always be taken into account in defining waiting times.</b>	A		max 1 night in lairage and max 7h of travel
4.8	The risk of animals being exposed to very cold temperatures or sudden extreme temperature changes shall also be considered.	B	B	lairages with roof , only 1 lairage without roof
4.9	The lairage area shall be well lit in order to enable the animals to see clearly without being dazzled. During the night, the lights shall be dimmed. Lighting shall also be adequate to permit inspection of all animals.	B		visit during day light. Owner told he was dimming the light during the night.
4.10	The condition and state of health of the animals in a lairage shall be inspected at least every morning and evening by a veterinarian or, under the proper veterinarian's responsibility, by another competent person, such as an animal handler. Animals which are sick, weak, injured or showing visible signs of distress shall be separated, and veterinary advice shall be sought immediately regarding treatment or the animals shall be humanely killed immediately if necessary.	B		there is a veterinarian surgeon daily for ante mortem check.



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4.11	Animals which have given birth during the journey or in the lairage shall be slaughtered as soon as possible or provided with conditions which are appropriate for suckling for their welfare and the welfare of the newborn. Under normal circumstances, animals which are expected to give birth during a journey shall not be transported.	A		no pregnant mares are involved in slaughtering.
4.12	<b>Chevideco does not slaughter pregnant horses when visible. These shall be free to give birth appropriate for their welfare and the welfare of the newborn.</b>	A		
4.13	Forced ventilation or other cooling systems may be necessary under certain conditions to avoid build-up of temperature and humidity. Temperature and humidity shall be monitored at appropriate intervals.	B		not necessary, open windows and roof available.
<b>5. Management of foetuses during slaughter of pregnant animals</b>				
5.1	Under normal circumstances, pregnant animals that would be in the final 10 percent of their gestation period at the planned time of unloading at the slaughterhouse shall be neither transported nor slaughtered. If such an event occurs, an animal handler shall ensure that females are handled separately, and the specific procedures described below are applied. In all cases, the welfare of foetuses and dams during slaughter shall be safeguarded.	A		no pregnant mares in slaughterhouses.
5.2	<b>Chevideco does not slaughter pregnant horses when visible. These shall be free to give birth appropriate for their welfare and the welfare of the newborn.</b>	A		This is known by veterinarian and owner of the slaughterhouse
5.3	Foetuses shall not be removed from the uterus sooner than 5 minutes after the maternal neck or chest cut, to ensure absence of consciousness. A foetal heartbeat will usually still be present and foetal movements may occur at this stage, but these are only a cause for concern if the exposed foetus successfully breathes air.	A		idem
5.4	If a live mature foetus is removed from the uterus, it shall be prevented from inflating its lungs and breathing air (e.g. by clamping the trachea).	A		idem
5.5	When uterine, placental or foetal tissues, including foetal blood, are not to be collected as part of the post-slaughter processing of pregnant animals, all foetuses shall be left inside the unopened uterus until they are dead. When uterine, placental or foetal tissues are to be collected, where practical, foetuses shall not be removed from the uterus until at least 15-20 minutes after the maternal neck or chest cut.	A		idem
5.6	If there is any doubt about consciousness, the foetus shall be killed with a captive bolt of appropriate size or a blow to the head with a suitable blunt instrument.	A		This is known by veterinarian and owner of the slaughterhouse
5.7	The above recommendations do not refer to foetal rescue. Foetal rescue, the practice of attempting to revive foetuses found alive at the evisceration of the dam, shall not be attempted during normal commercial slaughter as it may lead to serious welfare complications in the newborn animal. These include impaired brain function resulting from oxygen shortage before rescue is completed, compromised breathing and body heat production because of foetal immaturity, and an increased incidence of infections due to a lack of colostrum.	A		no foetal rescue
5.8	<b>Chevideco provides for a second man when the horse is restraint prior to stunning</b>	A		always 4 members of staff available
<b>7. Stunning methods</b>				
<b>7.1. General considerations</b>				
7.1.1	The competence of the operators, and the appropriateness, and effectiveness of the method used for stunning and the maintenance of the equipment are the responsibility of the management of the slaughterhouse, and shall be checked regularly by a Competent Authority.	A		Training schedule is documented. Registration of present staff during training (signatures). Stunning is done in a proper way.
7.1.2	<b>Chevideco strives to put competent people at these positions in order to assure welfare at the point of slaughter and assure humane slaughtering.</b>	A		Welfare and stunning training is executed for Voico loan and Neamtu Florine. During visit loan was stunning. Well trained and no remarks on his job.
7.1.3	Persons carrying out stunning shall be properly trained and competent, and shall ensure that:			
	- the animal is adequately restrained;	B		ok
	- animals in restraint are stunned as soon as possible;	B		ok
	- the equipment used for stunning is maintained and operated properly in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations, in particular with regard to the species and size of the animal;	B		ok
	- the equipment is applied correctly;	B		ok
	- stunned animals are bled out (slaughtered) as soon as possible;	B		within 20secs bleeding starts
	- animals are not stunned when slaughter is likely to be delayed; and	B		only stunning if slaughterline is free for bleeding out the next horse.
	- backup stunning devices are available for immediate use if the primary method of stunning fails.	B		backup device is available



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<b>7.2. Mechanical stunning</b>				
7.2.1	A mechanical device shall be applied usually to the front of the head and perpendicular to the bone surface.	B		ok
<b>7.3. Bleeding</b>				
7.3.1	From the point of view of animal welfare, animals which are stunned shall be bled without delay. Maximum stun-stick interval depends on the parameters of the stunning method applied, the species concerned and the bleeding method used (full cut or chest stick when possible). As a consequence, depending on those factors, the slaughterhouse operator shall set up a maximum stun-stick interval that ensures that no animals recover consciousness during bleeding.	B		as soon as possible (<20secs) bleeding starts.
7.3.2	<b>Stunning method:</b> Electrical methods and non-penetrating captive bolt	B		captive bolt is used
7.3.3	<b>Recommended maximum - stun stick interval:</b> 20 seconds	A		ok
7.3.4	All animals shall be bled out by incising both carotid arteries, or the vessels from which they arise (e.g. chest stick). However, when the stunning method used causes cardiac arrest, the incision of all of these vessels is not necessary from the point of view of animal welfare.	A		ok
7.3.5	It shall be possible for staff to observe, inspect and access the animals throughout the bleeding period.	B		enough space around
7.3.6	After incision of the blood vessels, no dressing procedures shall be performed on the animals for at least 30 seconds, or in any case until all brain-stem reflexes have ceased.	A		dressing procedure min 1-2min after bleeding started.
<b>10. Methods, procedures or practices unacceptable on animal welfare grounds</b>				
10.1	The restraining methods which work through electro-immobilisation or immobilisation by injury such as breaking legs, leg tendon cutting, and severing the spinal cord (e.g. using a puntilla or dagger) cause severe pain and stress in animals. Those methods are not acceptable in any species.	A		not in use
10.2	The use of the electrical stunning method with a single application leg to leg is ineffective and unacceptable in any species.	A		not in use
10.3	The slaughter method of brain stem severance by piercing through the eye socket or skull bone without prior stunning is not acceptable in any species.	A		not in use

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A	45	5	15	0.888889
B	49	5	5	0.897959

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