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# Center for Smart Agriculture

## Organic Certification and Inspection

### Systems



*National Programme for  
Organic Production*

## Module 5: National Standards for Organic Production

### Session 4 : Animal husbandry



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# Animal husbandry

## Animal Husbandry Management

The certification programme shall ensure that the management of the animal environment takes into account the behavioral needs of the animals and provides for:

- ❖ Sufficient free movement
- ❖ Sufficient fresh air and natural Daylight according to the needs of the animals
- ❖ Protection against excessive sunlight, temperatures, rain and wind according to the needs of the animals



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- ❖ Enough lying and/or resting area according to the needs of the animal.
- ❖ For all animals requiring bedding, natural materials shall be provided.
- ❖ Ample access to fresh water and feed according to the needs of the animals
- ❖ Adequate facilities for expressing behavior in accordance with the biological and ethological needs of the species.



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All animals shall have access to open air and/or grazing appropriate

The specific farm or settlement structure prevents such access provided animal welfare can be guaranteed.

Areas where feeding of animals with carried fresh fodder is a more sustainable



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Restrictions shall always include a time limit which shall be set for each exception.

Poultry and rabbits shall not be kept in cages.

Landless animal husbandry systems shall not be allowed



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## Length of Conversion Period

Animal products may be sold as "product of organic agriculture" only after the farm or relevant part of it has been under conversion for at least twelve months and provided.

Animals present on the farm at the time of conversion may be sold for organic meat if the organic standards have been followed for 12 months



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## Brought-in Animals

- ❖ 2 day old chickens for meat production
- ❖ 18 week old hens for egg production
- ❖ 2 week old for any other poultry piglets up to six weeks and after weaning
- ❖ calves up to 4 weeks old which have received colostrum and are fed a diet consisting mainly of full milk.



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