



## Media Release

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For Immediate Release:

### Two new Online Guides from the Humane Slaughter Association (HSA)

Two new titles have been added to the HSA's series of Online Guides to best practice in the handling and slaughter of livestock and poultry.

'Emergency Slaughter', an updated version of the HSA's widely used printed publication of the same name, covers the humane emergency slaughter of diseased or injured livestock on-farm. 'Humane Handling of Livestock', based on the HSA's Guidance Notes publication, describes best practice for the humane handling of animals on-farm, at markets and during transport. Both include video footage.

The new Guides join four others already available on the HSA website ([www.hsa.org.uk](http://www.hsa.org.uk)), providing a portfolio of best practice in humane handling and slaughter, with further titles in development. The HSA has made the Guides freely available online to enable easy access worldwide to best practice information for high animal welfare standards that might otherwise be difficult to obtain.

The HSA is an independent charity that promotes the highest standards of welfare for livestock during transport, at markets, slaughter and killing for disease control and welfare reasons. If you would like more information about the HSA's work, or are interested in becoming a member or supporting this work please visit [www.hsa.org.uk](http://www.hsa.org.uk) or contact the HSA on 01582 831919, email [info@hsa.org.uk](mailto:info@hsa.org.uk).

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Note to Editors:

As an independent registered charity, the HSA is unique in working exclusively to achieve the highest worldwide standards in food animal welfare at markets, during transport at slaughter, and killing for disease control and welfare reasons, through scientific and technical advances, education and training. Its work includes researching, refining and demonstrating humane slaughter methods, publishing material such as guidelines, best practice, books and videos, funding research projects and the development of equipment. Specialist technical staff provide expert and practical advice on all welfare issues relating to food animals.

The HSA is funded by voluntary donations, subscriptions and legacies.

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