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Animal welfare during transport (basic level)
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Road transportation

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BTSF The three top ranked relevant problems in the application of the Council Regulation (EC) N. 1/2005

1. Documents not reliable – journey logs, certificates and other authorisations.
2. Planning – f.ex. weather conditions and choosing the best route.
3. Handling of the animals – training of drivers and time constraints
4. Fitness for transport
5. Truck facilities and maintenance

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BTSF Notes by country representantatives

- Finland: Drivers certificates, facilities of trucks (maintenance), long journeys (12 hours) – trucks not permitted for long journeys (drinking facilities). Horses, cattle and sheep.
- Denmark: Calves – drinking devices, economic activity – difficult to decide what is economic activity (f.ex. Horses at competitions or shows), poultry transportation – long time without water and handling of the birds. Rough handling – not only lack of handling but also time constraints.
- Denmark: Overloading (20% added when shorter trips), planning longer journeys in warm weather.
- Austria: Planning of transport – not always the shortest distance, documents not always reliable – when does the trip start, separation of animals (sex and size and f.ex. horned animals). Cattle, sheep, pigs.
- Spain: Animals not fit for transport. Pigs, sheep.
- Portugal: Documents not reliable, trust issues with transporters, lack of OV´s for inspections. Pigs, sheep, cattle.
- Iceland: Rough handling at unloading, cold weather conditions – poultry (DOA), dairy cows high yielding – not milked before transport, young calves transported to slaughterhouse. Own national regulation.

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