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Ordinance

amending the Animal Welfare Ordinance (2019:66)

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The Government hereby lays down with regard to the Animal Welfare Ordinance (2019:66):

that Chapter 1, Section 1, and Chapter 2, Section 17 shall have the following wording,

that a new section – Chapter 2, Section 17 a – shall be inserted with the following wording.

Chapter 1

Section 1¹ This Ordinance contains supplementary provisions to the Animal Welfare Act (2018:1192).

This Ordinance is issued by virtue of

– Chapter 1, Section 5, third paragraph of the Animal Welfare Act, as regards Chapter 1, Section 2, third paragraph;

– Chapter 2, Section 2, second paragraph, and Chapter 2, Section 6, fourth paragraph of the Animal Welfare Act, as regards Chapter 2, Section 1;

– Chapter 2, Section 2, second paragraph of the Animal Welfare Act, as regards Chapter 2, Sections 2-9;

– Chapter 2, Section 3, second paragraph, of the Animal Welfare Act, as regards Chapter 2, Section 10;

– Chapter 2, Section 4, third paragraph, of the Animal Welfare Act, as regards Chapter 2, Section 11;

– Chapter 2, Section 2, second paragraph, and Chapter 2, Section 5, third paragraph of the Animal Welfare Act, as regards Chapter 2, Sections 12 and 13;

– Chapter 2, Section 6, fourth paragraph of the Animal Welfare Act, as regards Chapter 2, Sections 14 and 15;

– Chapter 2, Section 7, second paragraph and Chapter 2, Section 9, fourth paragraph of the Animal Welfare Act, as regards Chapter 2, Sections 16-17a;

– Chapter 2, Section 7, second paragraph, of the Animal Welfare Act as regards Chapter 2, Section 18;

– Chapter 2, Section 9, fourth paragraph of the Animal Welfare Act as regards Chapter 2, Section 19(1);

– Chapter 2, Section 2, second paragraph, and Chapter 2, Section 11, second paragraph, of the Animal Welfare Act as regards Chapter 2, Section 20;

– Chapter 2, Section 11, second paragraph, of the Animal Welfare Act, as regards Chapter 2, Section 21;

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- Chapter 2, Section 12 of the Animal Welfare Act as regards Chapter 2, Section 22;
- Chapter 2, Section 13, fourth paragraph of the Animal Welfare Act as regards Chapter 2, Section 23;
- Chapter 3, Section 1, second paragraph, point 1 of the Animal Welfare Act as regards Chapter 3, Sections 1-7;
- Chapter 3, Section 1, second paragraph, point 2 of the Animal Welfare Act as regards Chapter 3, Sections 8 and 9;
- Chapter 3, Section 2, second paragraph, of the Animal Welfare Act, as regards Chapter 3, Section 10;
- Chapter 4, Section 2, fourth paragraph, point 2 of the Animal Welfare Act as regards Chapter 4, Section 1, first paragraph and Section 2, first paragraph, points 1 and 2;
- Chapter 4, Section 2, fourth paragraph, point 2 and Chapter 4, Section 3, fourth paragraph of the Animal Welfare Act, as regards Chapter 4, Section 1, second paragraph;
- Chapter 4, Section 3, fourth paragraph of the Animal Welfare Act, as regards Chapter 4, Section 1, third paragraph and Section 2, first paragraph, point 3;
- Chapter 4, Section 2, fourth paragraph, point 1 of the Animal Welfare Act, as regards Chapter 4, Section 2, second paragraph;
- Chapter 4, Section 4 of the Animal Welfare Act, as regards Chapter 4, Section 3;
- Chapter 5, Section 2(1) of the Animal Welfare Act, as regards Chapter 5, Sections 1 and 2, and Section 3, first paragraph;
- Chapter 5, Section 2(2) of the Animal Welfare Act, as regards Chapter 5, Section 3, second paragraph;
- Chapter 6, Section 1 of the Animal Welfare Act, as regards Chapter 6, Sections 1-3;
- Chapter 6, Section 3 of the Animal Welfare Act, as regards Chapter 6, Section 5;
- Chapter 6, Section 4, fourth paragraph of the Animal Welfare Act, as regards Chapter 6, Section 6, second paragraph, point 2;
- Chapter 7, Section 2, second paragraph of the Animal Welfare Act, as regards Chapter 7, Section 1, first and second paragraphs, and Section 2, point 2;
- Chapter 7, Section 1, second paragraph, of the Animal Welfare Act, as regards Chapter 7, Section 2, point 1;
- Chapter 7, Section 6, second paragraph of the Animal Welfare Act, as regards Chapter 7, Section 3, first paragraph;
- Chapter 7, Section 6, third paragraph of the Animal Welfare Act, as regards Chapter 7, Section 3, second paragraph;
- Chapter 7, Section 7, second and fourth paragraphs of the Animal Welfare Act, as regards Chapter 7, Section 4, first paragraph;
- Chapter 7, Section 7, third paragraph of the Animal Welfare Act, as regards Chapter 7, Section 4, second paragraph;
- Chapter 7, Section 8, second paragraph, of the Animal Welfare Act, as regards Chapter 7, Section 5;
- Chapter 7, Section 12, first paragraph, point 2 of the Animal Welfare Act, as regards Chapter 7, Section 6, first and second paragraphs, and Section 7;
- Chapter 7, Section 12, first paragraph, point 1 of the Animal Welfare Act, as regards Chapter 7, Section 8, Section 10, third paragraph, and Section 12, point 1;

- Chapter 7, Section 12, second paragraph, point 1 of the Animal Welfare Act, as regards Chapter 7, Sections 9 and 11, Section 12, points 2 and 3, and Section 23;
 - Chapter 7, Section 12, second paragraph, point 2 of the Animal Welfare Act as regards Chapter 7, Section 12, points 4 to 6, Section 24, first paragraph, and Section 25;
 - Chapter 7, Section 16, first paragraph, point 1 of the Animal Welfare Act, as regards Chapter 7, Section 29 and Section 32, first paragraph;
 - Chapter 6, Section 1 and Chapter 7, Section 16, first paragraph, point 1 of the Animal Welfare Act, as regards Chapter 7, Section 30;
 - Chapter 7, Section 16, second paragraph, of the Animal Welfare Act, as regards Chapter 7, Section 32, second paragraph;
 - Chapter 3, Section 1, second paragraph, point 1 of the Animal Welfare Act, as regards Chapter 8, Section 12;
 - Chapter 8, Section 6a of the Animal Welfare Act, as regards Chapter 8, Section 12a;
 - Chapter 8, Section 7, second paragraph, of the Animal Welfare Act, as regards Chapter 8, Section 13;
 - Chapter 8, Section 6 of the Animal Welfare Act, and Chapter 8, Section 7 of the Instrument of Government as regards Chapter 8, Section 16;
 - Chapter 8, Section 8 of the Animal Welfare Act, as regards Chapter 8, Sections 17-20;
 - Chapter 10, Section 9 of the Animal Welfare Act, as regards Chapter 10, Sections 1-4;
- Chapter 8 § 7 of the Instrument of Government with respect to other provisions.

Chapter 2

Section 17 The prohibition in Section 16 shall not apply to the use of:

1. physical electrical fences for outdoor enclosures; or
2. virtual outdoor electric fences for bovine animals and sheep.

Virtual electric fence means a device attached around the animal's neck which, following a warning in the form of an audible signal, gives the animal an electric shock if the animal moves outside certain defined coordinates.

Section 17a The Swedish Board of Agriculture may issue regulations concerning:

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1. conditions for the use of physical and virtual electric fences; and
2. further exemptions from the prohibition in Section 16 and conditions for such use.

The Regulation shall enter into force on 1 January 2026.

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