



## **Keystone Foods' Animal Welfare Statement**

Keystone Foods has a moral and ethical responsibility to our animals, customers, the consumers of our products, and our employees to treat those animals in our care humanely and with respect. As an industry leader, the overall objective of Keystone Foods is to ensure that high standards of animal health and welfare are implemented, maintained and verified across our supply chain.

Working with industry experts, combined with the most current international standards, we have developed comprehensive and specific best management practices for employees to ensure acceptable animal health and welfare standards are implemented at every stage throughout our processes.

Keystone Foods' maintains a comprehensive animal health and welfare program which encompasses facility design, equipment, maintenance and industry best practices in all areas where there is an interface between people and animals. The Program concentrates heavily on job-specific training, testing for understanding and on-the-job observations to ensure compliance. Additionally, there are established expectations for both management and individual accountability.

Keystone Foods ensures compliance by performing animal welfare audits through first, second and third-party verification to ensure that we and our suppliers act responsibly, share best practices, and maintain aligned standards.

We also aspire to contribute towards continual improvements in animal welfare standards and key performance indicators across the supply chain. In support of this key objective, our animal welfare policies and procedures reflect the most current science and we continually evaluate emerging technologies to identify, evaluate and implement improvements. It is through these efforts that Keystone Foods endeavors to be an industry leader in animal health and welfare. This is our commitment; this is our path to excellence.

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