

ANIMAL WELFARE VICTORIA

Changing the way we engage

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OUTLINE

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- Who is Animal Welfare Victoria?
- Why were we established?
- What do we do?
- LGLO role

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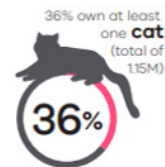
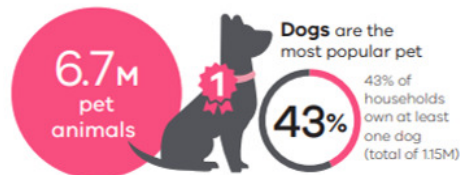
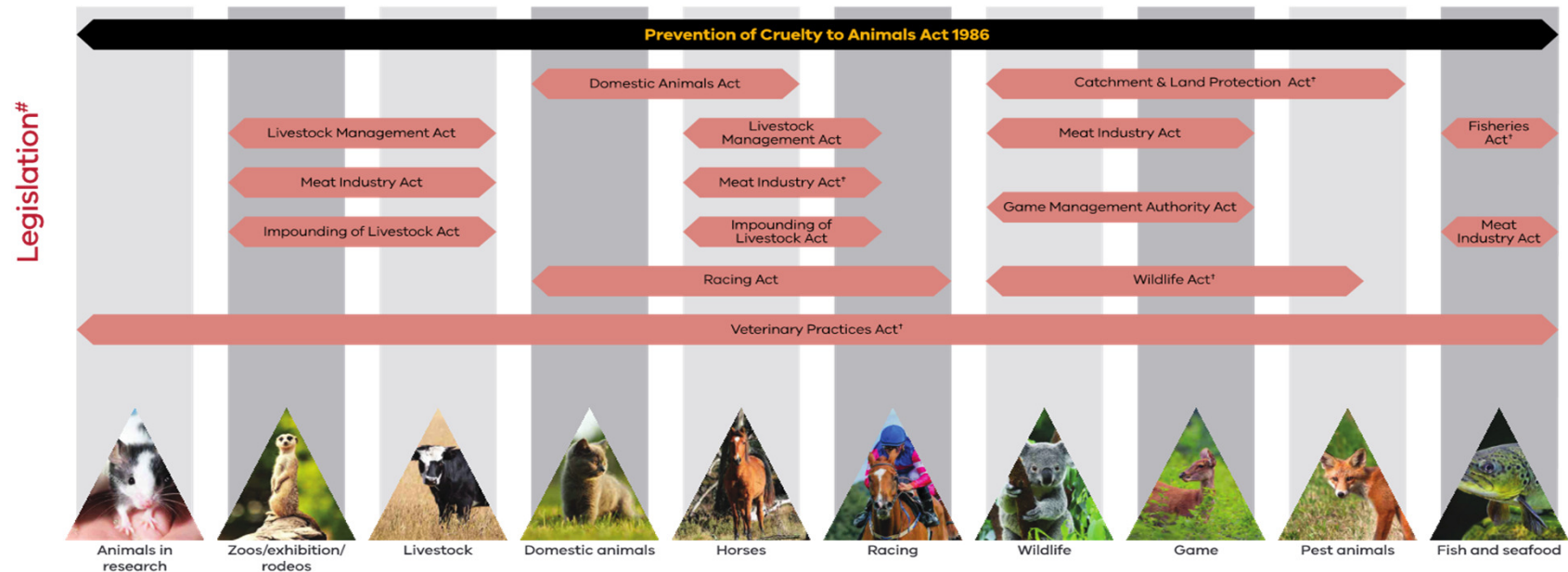
- What used to happen?
- How do we get meaningful engagement?
- Case studies





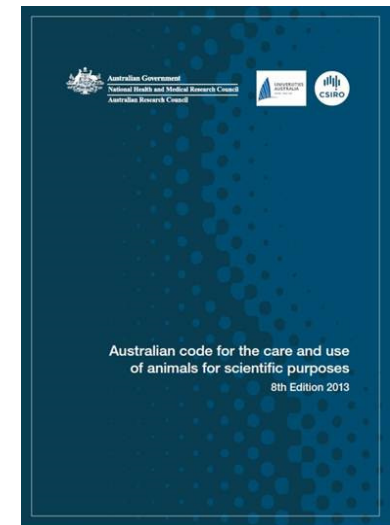
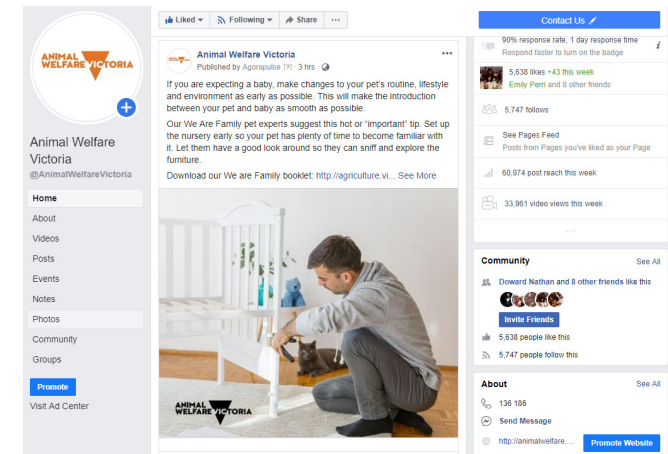
PART 1: WHO IS ANIMAL WELFARE VICTORIA?

WHY IT MATTERS AND WHY IT'S COMPLICATED



ANIMAL WELFARE VICTORIA

- Commenced operations 28 February 2018
- Includes domestic animal (pets) and animal welfare policy, legislation, licencing and audit, and grant and education programs to support animal welfare



OUR FUNCTIONS



WHAT IS THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT LIAISON ROLE?

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- 79 Victorian Councils
- RSPCA Victoria
- General Public
- DART website
- Training for Authorised Officers
- Victorian Dangerous Dog Registry
- Banning Order Database
- Domestic Animal Management Plans
- Bazillion phone calls





SOME OF OUR KEY STAKEHOLDERS

DELWP

AWAC

VicPol

DAWG

Local council

RSPCA Vic

Ag Vic

CFCNs

Applicable Orgs


Racing
industry

GMA

Community



PART 2: HOW DO WE ENGAGE?



IMPACT STATEMENT

1. OBJECTIVES

The objectives of these Regulations are to implement the purposes of the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act 1986 by:

- prescribing procedures for application for and issuing of permits to conduct rodeos and rodeo schools
- prescribing conditions to be met for conduct of rodeos and rodeo schools
- prescribing procedures for application for issuing and transfer of licences for scientific and breeding establishments and certificates of registration as an experimenter
- prescribing minimum standards and conditions at scientific and breeding establishments
- prescribing procedures for submission of annual returns of animal usage by registered experimenters
- prohibition of certain scientific procedures.

2. OUTLINE

The proposed regulations:

- (a) revoke the Protection of Animals Regulations 1981 and all the amendments, and re-state similar provisions in consolidated form.
- (b) introduce several new requirements relating to the use of leghold traps, operation of rodeo schools and the licensing of scientific establishments and breeding establishments.

Regulations proposed under paragraph (a) prescribe:

- standards for the operation of rodeos
- requirements for the registration of experimenters on a basis of three years registration
- requirements for experimenters to provide information about the scientific procedures using animals undertaken by them.

Regulations proposed under paragraph (b):

- set the standards for large and small spring-operated steel-jawed leghold traps
- prescribe standards for the operation of rodeo schools

WE'VE COME
A LONG WAY
SINCE 1986...

If only it were now acceptable to explain things in so little words...

3. IMPACT

The general intention of the proposed Regulations is to place the responsibility for the welfare of animals with the user of animals. The Department of Agriculture and Rural Affairs and other responsible authorities will have a monitoring role.

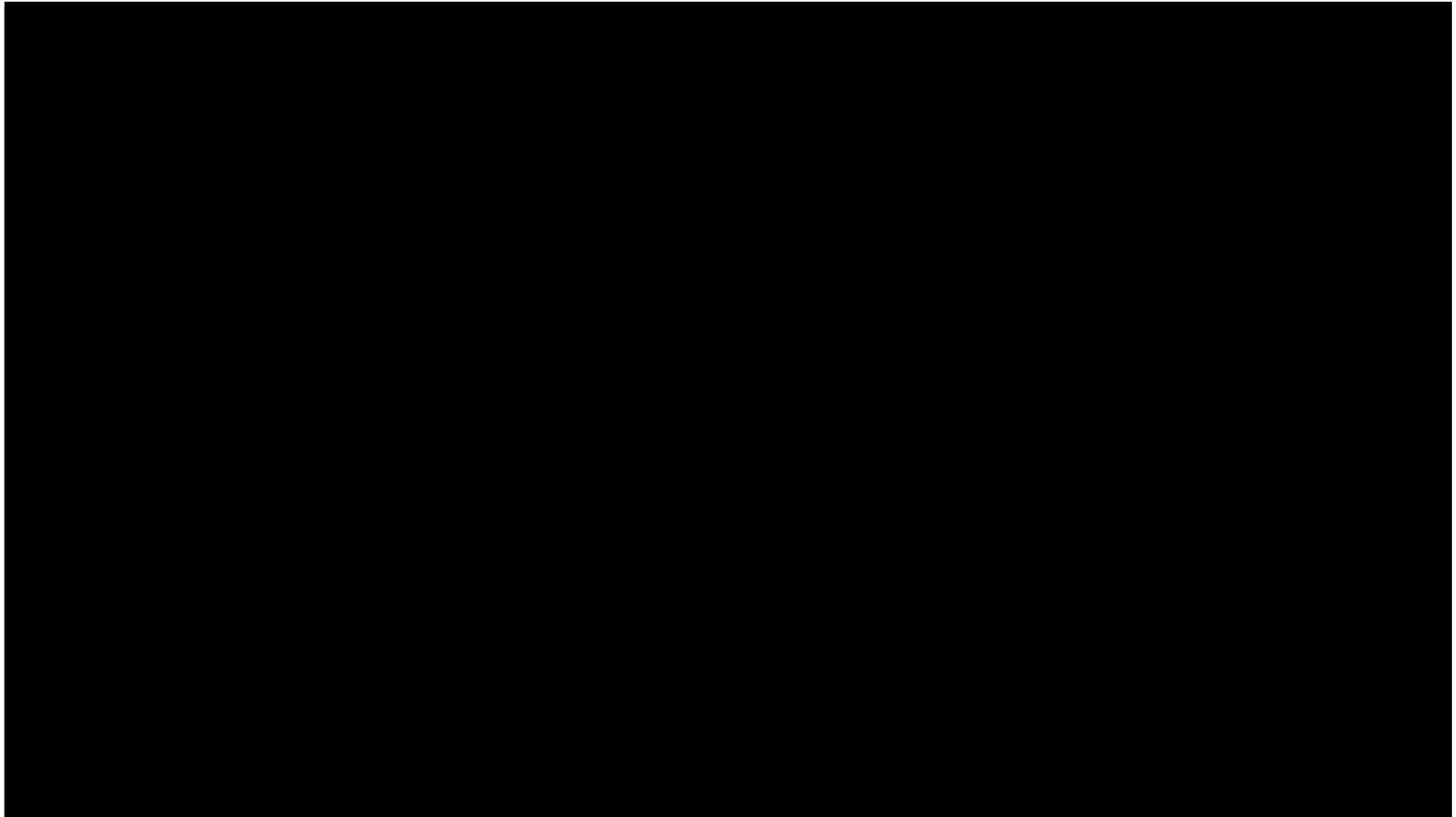
7. REASONS WHY ALTERNATIVES TO REGULATIONS ARE NOT APPROPRIATE

Failure to develop the proposed Regulations would mean minimum standards of animal welfare could not be established and the provisions of the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act could not be implemented. Controls over welfare of animals at rodeos, rodeo schools, scientific establishments and in the use of leghold traps could not be developed. This would result in greatly increased community concern and criticism in these areas.

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The Prevention of Cruelty of Animals Act is a recent Government initiative, and the Act cannot be brought into operation until the Regulations are made.

How government consultation is perceived...



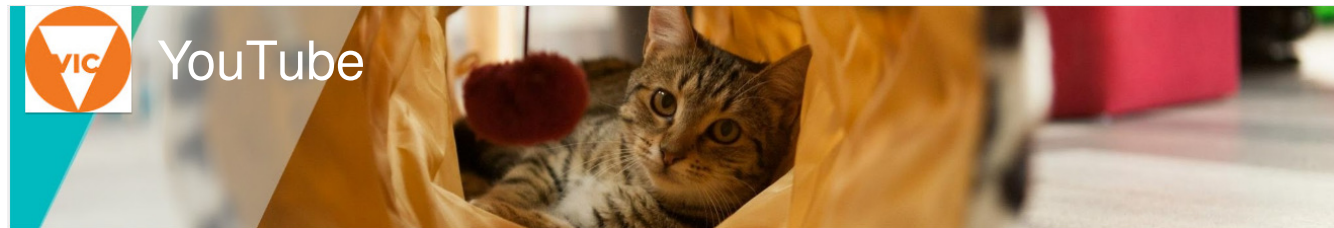
HOW DO WE ENSURE MEANINGFUL ENGAGEMENT?



HOW HAVE WE PUT THIS INTO PRACTICE?



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Department of Jobs, Precincts and Regions
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Most dog attacks that happen in public places occur close to where the dog lives.

Dogs are territorial and it is natural behaviour for them to protect. Keep everyone safe, including your dog, by securely confining them to your property.

Your yard must have a closed gate and an escape proof fence that your dog cannot jump, get under or through. Visitors must also have safe access to your door without being stopped by your dog. [See More](#)

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Bugs Bunny loved them. But did you know, carrots are a sometimes treat and not an everyday food for your pet rabbit?

Your rabbit needs to eat his or her own bodyweight in grass hay daily. It's essential for dental and digestive health. Your rabbit also needs a handful of fresh greens morning and night. Vary the greens offered.

Good food choices include spinach, bok choy, cauliflower leaves, cabbage and brussel sprout leaves. Carrot and fruit should only be fed occasionally an... [See more](#)



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UPCOMING CONSULTATIVE OPPORTUNITIES

- Assistance animals
- Election commitment implementation (e.g. Re-uniting lost pets)
- State-wide registration





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