

Title	Policy on Animal Welfare		
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Purpose

The Song Saa Foundation's goal is to increase awareness, guide our partners, and contribute to responsible business practices relating to the humane and nurturing care of animals. We have a passion for the environment and wish to ensure that all animals – wild, reared and domesticated – are treated with respect and kindness.

Policy statement

The Song Saa Foundation has a commitment towards environmental responsibility including ethical and responsible standards in the use of animal-related products and services. To this end, we will not be involved in the production, promotion, or sale of goods and services that are antithetical to the wellbeing of animals. For the purposes of this policy, animal welfare refers to the ethical, merciful, non-abusive, and non-harmful treatment of animals, and to the prevention of any distress or pain so they enjoy a dignified and humane quality of life. This means that all animals must be humanely raised and cared for throughout their lives. When raised for food, animals must not be subject to factory farms, gestational crating, or other similar types of overtly restrictive confines, and they must be transported and humanely slaughtered in accordance with and beyond all Cambodian laws, regulations and guidelines. The Song Saa Foundation will only purchase products from suppliers who follow animal welfare practices, and will not conduct or participate in any animal testing or experimentation, or do business with enterprises that use inhumane animal treatment practices. We also do not conduct business with factory farms, do not conduct business with enterprises that use gestational crating or other similar types of overtly restrictive confines, and do not conduct business with slaughterhouses.

The Song Saa Foundation has numerous environmental conservation projects focussing on the rehabilitation of ecosystems and the conservation of local wildlife in coastal Cambodia.