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- Individuals, farms, clinics \$50 & up\*
- Corporate agribusiness \$300 & up\*

**Active** \$250 & up\*

Annual meeting voting privileges & board member input, for livestock organizations only.

\* Members may choose to contribute more than the minimum amount.

Please indicate your preferred annual contribution.

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## AFAC Board Member Groups

Alberta Auction Markets Association  
 Alberta Beef Producers  
 Alberta Cattle Feeders' Association\*  
 Alberta Chicken Producers  
 Alberta Egg Producers  
 Alberta Elk Commission  
 Alberta Equestrian Federation\*  
 Alberta Hatching Egg Producers  
 Alberta Milk  
 Alberta Pork  
 Alberta Sheep & Wool Commission  
 Alberta Turkey Producers  
 Alberta Veterinary Medical Association  
 University of Alberta  
 Western Stock Growers Association  
 Wild Rose Agricultural Producers  
 Alberta Agriculture & Food

## AFAC Active Member Groups\*

Alberta Association of Ag Societies    Alberta Poultry Hatchery Assoc.  
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 Olds College, School of Animal Science  
 Canada/Alberta Livestock Research Trust Inc.  
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## AFAC Associate Members

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# AFAC

## ALBERTA FARM ANIMAL CARE



The  
 livestock  
 industry  
 working  
 together for  
 responsible  
 animal care.

## Alberta Farm Animal Care (AFAC)

AFAC is an association started in 1993 by the livestock producers of Alberta to:

- promote responsible, humane animal care;
- engage in discussion with the public;
- monitor and participate in issues and legislation;
- encourage animal care research.

## Taking Initiative for Animal Care

When it comes to animal welfare, AFAC believes that industry driven change is the best way to improve.

*“It is our responsibility to meet the needs of the animals in our care and to always seek ways to improve.”* - P. Schuld, dairy farmer

## Consumers Expect It

Consumers want assurance that animals are raised humanely. Thus, it is a priority to demonstrate our commitment to animal well being, at all times - be it on small mixed farms or where livestock are raised in confinement.

*“There is need for those of us in animal agriculture to talk to consumers, not just about product promotion but also about the interrelationship of farmers and their animals. Balanced information helps everyone make informed choices.”* - D. Blackwood, turkey producer.

## Student Resources

AFAC has curriculum-based resources about farm animal welfare in Alberta. Student workbooks, teacher's guides and videos are available by phoning AFAC or online.



## Humane Handling Training

Working with industry partners, AFAC coordinates programs for improved animal handling.

- Livestock Transport Training
- Livestock Handling (Adult & Youth)
- Livestock Emergency Response Course
- Humane Handling Guidelines
- Good Livestock Handling Pays Seminars
- Euthanasia Procedures Workshops



[www.LivestockTransport.ca](http://www.LivestockTransport.ca)

## Alberta Livestock Protection System (ALPS)

ALPS, formed in 1998, links AFAC, the Alberta SPCA, Alberta Agriculture and Food, RCMP and Canadian Food Inspection Agency.

ALPS strives to provide a coordinated approach to livestock protection and enforcement.

## Animal Care ALERT Line

Started in 1995, the Animal Care Action Line and Response Team (ALERT Line) service responds to concerns regarding farm animal care. ALERT Resource Team Members are respected members of the rural community. They offer solutions to help farmers and their animals. ALERT has an on-call veterinarian who provides knowledgeable counsel.

AFAC works with the Alberta SPCA for early intervention of any animal care concern case.



## Animal Care Action & Awareness

Views about animals, their use and their well being varies. Open dialogue based on science and ethics is encouraged.

- **Livestock Welfare Research**  
AFAC supports research in animal behaviour, handling and stress. This sheds new light on ways to continually improve animal care.
- **4-H L.A.W. (Learning about Animal Welfare)**  
Initiated by AFAC, 4-H L.A.W. helps better prepare agriculture's youth to be animal care ambassadors.
- **Animal Welfare at Schools / Ag Colleges**  
AFAC meets with students to critically examine different viewpoints and what the industry is doing to improve animal welfare.
- **Animal Protection Laws**  
AFAC recognizes that affective, well-enforced laws are necessary to ensure all animals are cared for. The livestock industry helped to improve Alberta's Animal Protection Act and transport regulations.
- **Security Awareness**  
AFAC works closely with the RCMP and encourages the livestock industry to be security sensitive.
- **Livestock Care Conference & Seminars**  
AFAC organizes researchers and industry observers to address the challenges and progress of animal welfare.
- **Updates & Timely Notices**  
AFAC stays on top of animal welfare issues that relate to the livestock industry. Check out Livestock Welfare INSIGHTS at:

[www.afac.ab.ca](http://www.afac.ab.ca)

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