

GUERNSEY STATUTORY INSTRUMENT

2025 No. 31

The Animal Welfare (Welfare Codes) Order, 2025

<i>Made</i>	<i>28th April, 2025</i>
<i>Coming into operation</i>	<i>1st May, 2025</i>
<i>Laid before the States</i>	<i>, 2025</i>

THE COMMITTEE FOR THE ENVIRONMENT & INFRASTRUCTURE, in exercise of the powers conferred upon it by sections 13(2) and 79 of the Animal Welfare (Guernsey) Ordinance, 2012^a, and all other powers enabling it in that behalf, hereby orders:-

Animal Welfare Codes brought into operation.

1. The following animal welfare codes published by the Committee for Environment & Infrastructure are brought into operation –

- (a) The Code of Recommendations for the Welfare of Dogs
– Duty of Care to a Dog (Published for the 1st May, 2025),
- (b) The Code of Recommendations for the Welfare of Cats
– Duty of Care to a Cat (Published for the 1st May, 2025),

^a Ordinance No. III of 2012; this enactment has been amended.

- (c) The Code of Recommendations for the Welfare of Rabbits – Duty of Care to a Rabbit (Published for the 1st May, 2025),
- (d) The Code of Recommendations for the Welfare of Guinea Pigs – Duty of Care to a Guinea Pig (Published for the 1st May, 2025),
- (e) The Code of Recommendations for the Welfare of Hamsters – Duty of Care to a Hamster (Published for the 1st May, 2025),
- (f) The Code of Recommendations for the Welfare of Gerbils – Duty of Care to a Gerbil (Published for the 1st May, 2025),
- (g) The Code of Recommendations for the Welfare of Rats – Duty of Care to a Rat (Published for the 1st May, 2025),
- (h) The Code of Recommendations for the Welfare of Mice – Duty of Care to a Mouse (Published for the 1st May, 2025),
- (i) The Code of Recommendations for the Welfare of Birds – Duty of Care to a Bird (Published for the 1st May, 2025),
- (j) The Code of Recommendations for the Welfare of Reptiles and Amphibians – Duty of Care to a Reptile or an Amphibian (Published for the 1st May, 2025),

- (k) The Code of Recommendations for the Welfare of Degus – Duty of Care to a Degu (Published for the 1st May, 2025),
- (l) The Code of Recommendations for the Welfare of Chinchillas – Duty of Care to a Chinchilla (Published for the 1st May, 2025),
- (m) The Code of Recommendations for the Welfare of a Calf Reared Out of Doors – Duty of Care to a Calf (Published for the 1st May, 2025).

Revocation.

- 2. The Animal Welfare (Welfare Codes) Order, 2014^b is revoked.

Citation.

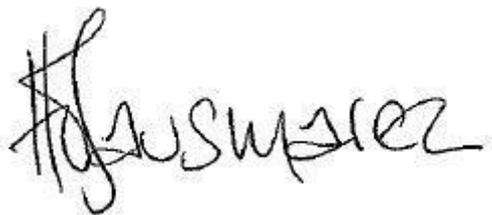
- 3. This Order may be cited as the Animal Welfare (Welfare Codes) Order, 2025.

Commencement.

- 4. This Order shall come into force on the 1st May, 2025.

^b G.S.I. No. 34 of 2014.

Dated this 28th day of April, 2025

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'H. L. De Saumarez', with a large, stylized initial 'H'.

H. L. DE SAUSMAREZ

President of the Committee for the Environment & Infrastructure

For and on behalf of the Committee

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order revokes and replaces the Animal Welfare (Welfare Codes) Order, 2014 ("**the 2014 Order**").

This Order brings into operation new animal welfare codes published by the Committee for Environment & Infrastructure, which replace the codes brought into operation by the 2014 Order ("**previous codes**").

This Order replaces with new codes the previous codes relating to the following animals: pet and working dogs, pet cats, pet rabbits, pet hamsters, pet rats, pet mice, pet gerbils, pet guinea pigs, pet birds, and pet reptiles and amphibians.

The previous code relating to the welfare of a calf raised out of doors is replaced with an identical code.

Finally, this Order brings into operation codes made for the first time for degus and chinchillas, respectively.

This Order will come into force on the 1st May 2025.