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## Position Statement on Equine Welfare

All members of the equine industry have a responsibility to ensure horses in their care, custody and control are provided with the basic necessities of life and are handled and managed humanely at all times.

Horse owners are responsible to provide proper feeding, water and medical attention to all horses in their care. Failure to do so is unacceptable. It is our expectation that anyone who witnesses a situation of neglect or abuse will report the incident to the appropriate authorities.

The Ontario Equestrian Federation is committed to equine welfare and will continue to provide leadership and support to horse owners. Our goal is to aid our members in making informed decisions regarding the care and welfare of their horses.

To report suspected animal abuse, contact the Ontario SPCA at 1-888-668-7722 ext. 327, your local Ontario SPCA branch or affiliated humane society, or police. For more information on reporting abuse, visit [www.ontariospca.ca](http://www.ontariospca.ca)