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(A) The transport driver is solely responsible for welfare of livestock during transit and must have an emergency action plan.

(B) The responsible party makes the final decision in determining the fitness of livestock for loading, transport, and the load density. The density of a load shall be determined by the need to minimize injury and allow fallen animals to rise.

(C) Handling of livestock during loading, unloading, and transport must be done humanely.

(D) Ramps, chutes, and other means of conveyance used for transporting livestock must be constructed to provide adequate footing to minimize slips and falls.

(E) Livestock, excluding poultry, alpacas, llamas, and equines, must be able to stand in their natural position without touching the top of the transport conveyance.

(F) During transit, livestock must be reasonably protected from adverse weather conditions.

(G) Transporters are required to stop every twenty-eight hours, unload, and provide livestock with food, water, and rest for at least five consecutive hours, unless the transportation vehicle allows the livestock to lie down, rest, and have access to feed and water.