



Federation of European Equine Veterinary Associations

FEEVA Board POSITION

**FEEVA position paper
on maximum 8-hour limit for the journeys of animals transported
for the purpose of being slaughtered.**

The European Parliament has on March 15th adopted a statement where it calls on the European Commission and the European Council to establish a maximum 8-hour limit for the journeys of animals transported for the purpose of being slaughtered. In the statement the European Parliament recognizes that establishment of such a limit is supported by more than one million Europeans.

It has always been FEEVA's policy, that horses for welfare reasons should be slaughtered as close to the point of origin as possible, keeping transport to a minimum and where transportation is necessary, the horse's welfare should be considered with priority, observing all regulations addressing the needs of these animals.

FEEVA therefore strongly express the support to the maximum 8-hour limit adopted by the European Parliament.