



Course Code:	LH201
Course Cost:	\$120 (inc GST) paid upon enrolment
Delivery:	Online
Badged:	Yes (Upon 100% Completion)

Course Overview

The Animal Welfare on Farms course is designed specifically for people entering the sheep and beef industry in New Zealand. This course equips participants with the basic knowledge and practical skills that ensure high standards of animal welfare are maintained on farms, aligning with legal and ethical farming practices.

The course delves into the principles and practices necessary to foster the well-being of your livestock. It covers both the Animal Welfare Act 1999 and the relevant Codes of Welfare, providing clear insights into the minimum standards and best practices required for compliance and excellence in animal care.

This course is ideal for:

- New entrant sheep and beef farm workers aiming to improve their animal welfare practices
- Anyone interested in the ethical treatment of farm animals

This course consists of:

- **Introduction to Animal Welfare:** An overview of animal welfare principles, ethical farming, and the importance of animal well-being on sheep and beef farms.
- **Animal Welfare Act 1999:** A comprehensive look at the legal obligations under the Animal Welfare Act 1999 and the Codes of Welfare relevant to sheep and beef farming.
- **Animal Welfare:** What it means for the physical and mental wellbeing of animals, and how it is interpreted by different groups.

- **The Five Freedoms:** These are the rights of animals and the basis of animal welfare. Examples of meeting the obligations are given to explain how each freedom being implemented on farm.
- **Major Farm Tasks:** Using the Code of Welfare to highlight key areas of concern for sheep and beef farmers (shearing, docking, calf marking, dehorning...). The aim is to ensure farmers are remaining compliant as rules change.

Upon completion, you will be equipped with the knowledge to promote animal well-being while maintaining a productive and ethical farming operation. After all, caring for animals is at the heart of good farming.

This is a Digital Badged course:

Upon successfully completing this course, students will earn a digital badge, validating their commitment and mastery of the course content. This badge serves as a recognised achievement, showcasing their skills and dedication to professional growth in the field.

