

The American Association of Bovine Practitioners is an international association of veterinarians serving society as leaders in cattle health, welfare, and productivity.

Our Goals

- To provide continuing education for cattle veterinarians to promote lifelong learning and nurture improvement among our colleagues and in our profession.
- To speak for the best interest of cattle based upon our current scientific understanding and to recommend best practices.
- The AABP Animal Welfare Committee strives to provide scientifically based best practices and recommendations for the cattle industry.

AABP Animal Welfare Committee

- The mission of the Animal Welfare Committee (AWC) of the AABP is to advise the board of directors and the leadership on issues pertaining to the welfare of cattle.
- The AWC has a responsibility to inform the membership and the public about the humane care and handling of cattle, including medical and surgical procedures, cattle husbandry and euthanasia.
- The AWC reviews issues related to cattle welfare, collaborates with relevant groups, and assists in the development of policies that are consistent with both the current ethical norms and available scientific literature.

Our Work and Collaborations

- AVMA Policy on Disabled Livestock
- Current practices/reasons for branding
- State branding laws summary
- Literature review on the welfare implications of tail docking of cattle for AVMA
- POSTER - Top 10 Considerations for Culling and Transporting Dairy Animals to a Processing Facility
- Use of IV potassium chloride as a secondary euthanasia strategy
- Welfare guidelines for veterinarians presented with a severely lame cow with deep digital sepsis
- Serve on welfare advisory committees for beef and dairy industry groups

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