

# Livestock Emergency Guidelines and Standards

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## SUMMARY OF THE LEGS TRAINING POLICY

Following the publication of the first edition of the LEGS Handbook in 2009, LEGS designed a training programme based on regional Training of Trainers (TOT) courses, which aimed to build training capacity in countries affected by humanitarian crises. The graduates of these TOTs are equipped with the skills, materials and methods to run the standard LEGS Core Training course in their own countries and regions. This Core Training course brings the LEGS guidelines to life and enables practitioners to implement the LEGS approach in practice.

The regional TOTs can be commissioned by organisations/institutions (local or international) if they have funds to pay for a full course of 16-18 participants, or by a group of organisations with a lead agency. A LEGS TOT takes 6 days, including a full 3-day LEGS Core Training followed by 3 days of training in participatory training techniques, adult learning principles and training practice sessions. A 5-day curriculum is also available. The participants are given the full set of training materials on a USB stick and on completion of the TOT they are considered to be LEGS Trainers. Only those TOTs organised by LEGS and delivered by the LEGS TOT training team can train LEGS Trainers.

The TOT graduates are encouraged to find opportunities for LEGS training in their own countries, following their TOT. They send a simple reporting format (including an evaluation summary) to the LEGS Project whenever they carry out a LEGS Training. When they have completed 2 satisfactory LEGS training courses within 2 years of their TOT, they become 'accredited LEGS Trainers' and are listed on the LEGS website.

To-date the LEGS Project has carried out 34 TOTs, resulting in 600+ LEGS Trainers worldwide. Between them they have carried out over 500 LEGS trainings in 57 countries in Africa, Asia, the Middle East and Latin America.

**Only LEGS Trainers (i.e. those who have participated in a LEGS TOT) are authorised to conduct the 3-day LEGS Core Training course.** LEGS Trainers are required to deliver the LEGS Core Training using the agreed curriculum and materials, which are not in the public domain and should not be shared with others (with the exception of the relevant training handouts etc. given to participants during the training). Participants at a LEGS Training also receive a copy of the LEGS Handbook (either in hard copy or a photocopy of the pdf which is also available on the LEGS website). In this way LEGS aims to maintain a high quality training product whilst at the same time disseminating the guidelines and the LEGS approach.

The LEGS Training Materials are copyrighted to LEGS, and are for use only by LEGS Trainers who have been trained by an official LEGS TOT. The materials should not be copied or distributed to others. In order for a training to qualify as an accredited LEGS Training course, the course must be delivered by a LEGS Trainer using the full agreed set of materials.

For further information, please see contact the LEGS Coordinator: [Coordinator@livestock-emergency.net](mailto:Coordinator@livestock-emergency.net)

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