

THE FIVE *Freedom*s



The Five Freedoms have been adopted by professional groups committed to the humane treatment of animals and outline five aspects of animal welfare.

At the BVSPCA, we are committed to these freedoms.

freedom from **HUNGER & THIRST**

by ready access to fresh water and a diet to maintain full health and vigour

freedom from **DISCOMFORT**

by providing an appropriate environment including shelter and a comfortable resting area



freedom from **PAIN, INJURY OR DISEASE**

by prevention or rapid diagnosis and treatment

freedom to **EXPRESS NORMAL BEHAVIOUR**

by providing sufficient space, proper facilities and company of the animal's own kind



freedom from **FEAR & DISTRESS**

by ensuring conditions and treatment which avoid mental suffering