

# A NEW REGULATION OF STATE AID TO PROMOTE THE CONSERVATION OF ENDANGERED BREEDS

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# 1. WHAT IS A STATE AID? HOW IS REGULATED?

COMMON AGRICULTURAL POLICY: SUBSIDIES FOR FARMERS COMES FROM THE EUROPEAN BUDGET AND NATIONAL AIDS ARE “FORBIDDEN” TO AVOID COMPETENCE DISTURBANCES, BUT WITH EXCEPTIONS:

1. “MINIMIS”

2. STATE AID:

1. **Notification** by member state and **approval** by European Commission.
2. **Communication** by member state: Regulation (EU) 2022/2472 declaring certain categories of aid in the agricultural and forestry sectors and in rural areas compatible with the internal market:
  - Article 24. Aid for promotion measures in favour of agricultural products.
  - Article 27. Aid to the livestock sector and aid for fallen stock.
    - Breeding Books (100%).
    - Recording and genetic evaluation (70%).
  - Article 30. Aid for conservation of genetic resources in agriculture.



## 2. WHY IS RELEVANT ARTICLE 30, REGULATION 2022/2472?

### Article 30. Aid for conservation of genetic resources in agriculture.

1. Aid for the conservation of genetic resources in agriculture, linked to agri-environmental-climate commitments.
2. Local breeds shall be considered endangered breeds on the base of animal breeding regulation.
3. The following species are eligibled: cattle, sheep, goats, Equidae, pigs, birds, rabbits and bees.
4. The aid shall cover (100%) the costs for the following operations:
  - **Targeted actions:**
    - Promotion the in situ and ex situ conservation.
    - Characterization, collection and utilization, including web-based inventories.
    - Ex situ collections and databases.
  - **Concerted actions:** actions promoting the exchange of information for the conservation, characterization, collection, among competent organizations in the Member States.
  - **Accompanying actions:** information, dissemination and advisory actions involving non-governmental organizations and other relevant stakeholders, training courses and preparation of technical reports.

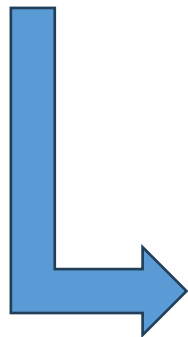
### 3. WHAT IS THE SITUATION IN SPAIN IN RELATION WITH STATED AID FOR ANIMAL GENETIC RESOURCES?



4.75 Mill. Euro



56 National Breeders Societies



1.45 Mill. Euro



+ €€€€€



±90 Regional Breeders Societies

AID TO THE LIVESTOCK SECTOR AND AID FALLEN STOCK



## 4. HOW WE HAVE MOVED THE NEW OPTIONS OF THE EUROPEAN REGULATION TO THE MANAGEMENT OF OUR NATIONAL AIDS?

### REAL DECRETO 1133/2025.

1. Keep Article 27 as the base to fund breeding books (100%), recording, genetic evaluation and genebanks of not endangered breeds (70%).

2. Use Article 24 to fund the promotion of Logotipo Raza Autóctona.



3. Incorporation of Article 30, only for endangered breeds. Main changes:

1. Commitment to breeders' societies: keep the official recognition to manage the breeding programme for a year.

2. New activities funded:

1. Collection, storage, transport of any genetic material for the genebank (100%).

2. Artificial insemination and embryo-transfer, including the “renting” of the surrogate dams.

3. The ex situ in vivo conservation in state farms or other farms not directly involve in the breeding programme.

4. Information, awareness-raising and advisory activities, publications and training courses directly related to the conservation of the breed.



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#### 4. OTHER NOVELTIES IN CASE OF FUNDS FOR REGIONS:

- The criteria to distribute the funds to regions have been updated:
  - Number of breeders societies in the region.
  - 20% more in case the breeders society have a complete genebank or is actively building the collection.
  - 10% more in case the breeders society is actively contributing the National Genebank.
  - 10% more in case the breeders society is using Logo Raza Autóctona.
- The criteria to distribute the funds since the regions to breeders societies have been updated:
  - Situation of the primary genebank (30 points).
  - Contribution to National Genebank (10 points).
  - Parentage testing (20 points).
  - Other criteria selected by Autonomous Communities (40 points).

## 5. CONCLUSIONS.

- The state aid regulation allow the implementation of state aids for the conservation of animal genetic resources, funding 100% of the costs of genebanks.
- In Spain, we have updated our regulation on state aids to take advantage of the new possibilities in the European regulation.
- The objective is supporting the conservation programmes and, specifically, the building of complete genebanks for all of our endangered breeds and a duplicate in National Genebank.
- Other objectives: Promotion and use of Logotipo Raza Autóctona and parentage testing.

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