

**Turkey Interim Standards Technical Advisory Group Meeting**  
**15th January 2026**  
**Summary notes**

**Beak treatment**

The Group discussed beak treatment and the concerns around feather pecking in light of the RSPCAs planned phase out of beak treatment.

**Welfare Outcome Assessment (WOA)**

The Group discussed the variables included in WOAs, including sampling proportion and data use for standards development.

**Surplus poults**

Concerns around surplus poults were raised. Technology like in-ovo sexing was mentioned as a potential future solution.

**Exceptional mortality**

The Group discussed setting clear mortality thresholds, including age-specific category thresholds.

**Biosecurity**

Discussion included avian influenza comms and remote assessments for restricted zones.