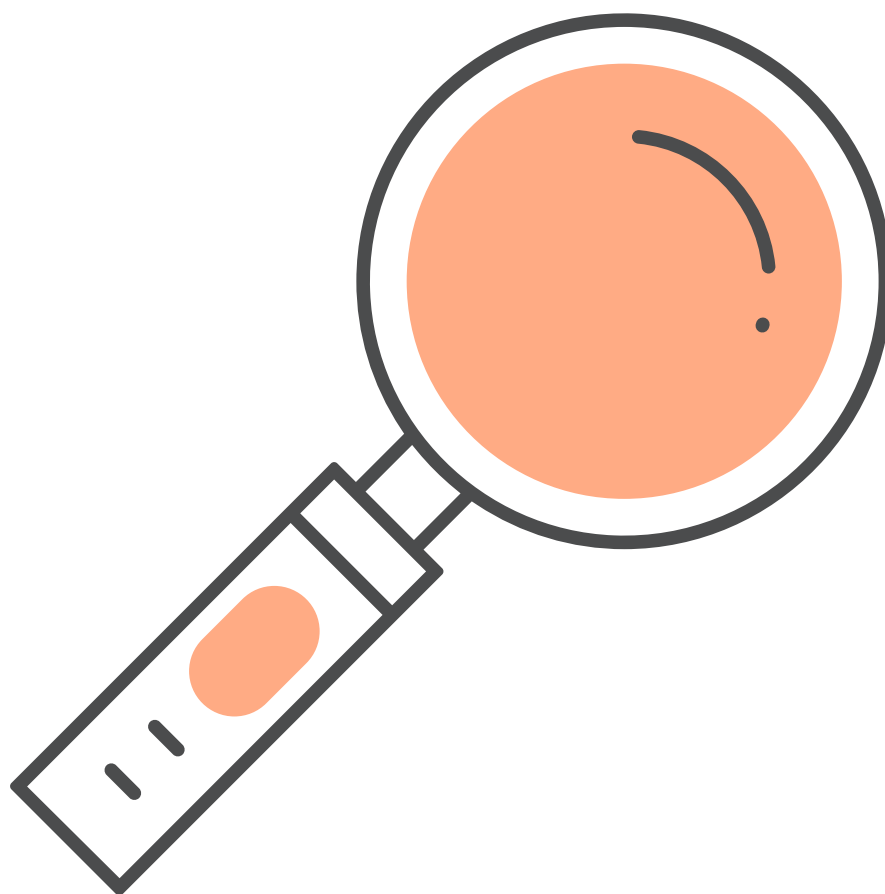


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NOTE: RSPCA Australia is opposed to the killing of wild animals for commercial purposes unless this meets specific criteria. See our [policy on the utilisation of wild animals](#).

Animal welfare considerations

- Kill methods
- Treatment of orphaned dependent joeys
- Justification for killing/control of native species



If you have specific questions or challenges arising from your supply chain analysis, get in touch with [RSPCA Australia](#).

Kangaroos are listed as protected but not threatened species in Australia. Accredited and licensed operators may shoot kangaroos in the wild for commercial purposes under a government-administered quota system.

Product range

Meat: fresh, processed

By-products: fur, leather, pet food, pet treats, tails

Step one

Where is kangaroo meat or by-product used in your business?

- Are you using kangaroo meat on site?
- Are you buying in products that contain kangaroo meat?
- Are you buying in kangaroo by-products?

What kangaroo meat or by-product is used in your business?

- Is the kangaroo meat used on site fresh or value added?
- Is the kangaroo by-product fresh or value added?

Step two

For kangaroo meat and/or kangaroo by-product used in your business, ask your supplier:

- Is the product certified by a third party?
If so, which certification program.
- Is the shooter licensed by the relevant state/territory government for where they operate?
- From where are the kangaroos harvested (i.e. is it an area where there is a clear need for population control based on their impact on the environment)?

- Has the shooter passed a recognised (or approved) shooting accuracy test with specific minimum test conditions and requirements as specified in the Commercial Code*?
- Are only males shot to avoid dependent joeys becoming orphaned?

*Commercial Code – the National Code of Practice for the Humane Shooting of Kangaroos for Commercial Purposes (2020).

Step three

Compile your findings to work out the following:

- The percentage of certified kangaroo meat/by-product in your business supply chain
- A list of all producers supplying your business
- Measures for ensuring shooter competency, effective and humane kill, reducing impact on dependent orphan joeys, justification for shooting
- Killing method of adults
- Capture and killing methods of orphan joeys

Step four

Review your organisation's current supply chain to identify the animal welfare issues using the information collected from the first three steps.

Step five

Implement plan within your organisation to address the identified issues. See RSPCA Australia's '[How to develop an animal welfare policy](#)' for more information.