

Morvern Deer Management Group

Deer health and welfare statement

Deer condition and welfare should be considered at each meeting.

Deer welfare indicators for consideration include:

- Changes to and condition of cover and forage available
- Population counts
- Population density
- Recruitment counts
- Mortality counts
- HIA
- Deer condition reports

Notifiable diseases must be reported to Animal and Plant Health Agency (APHA) but should also be reported to the DMG.

Notifiable diseases: TB, Anthrax, CWD, Foot & Mouth, blue tongue, Epizootic Haemorrhagic disease.

Full details on notifiable diseases are in the Best Practice Guides here: <https://www.bestpracticeguides.org.uk/health-welfare/notifiable-diseases/>

The group strives to follow Best Practice Guidance in relation to deer health and welfare: <https://www.bestpracticeguides.org.uk/health-welfare/>