





# FAI launches innovative online training series on tilapia welfare

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# 'First of its kind' training focuses on integrating best tilapia welfare practices in aquaculture

FAI Farms (FAI), an international food animal solutions company, is launching free online training on tilapia welfare for aquaculture operators in five languages (Chinese, Spanish, Portuguese, Thai and English). The training modules focus on tilapia nutrition, health, environment and humane slaughter.

After completing each module, learners can complete a final guiz and receive a certificate of completion.

"FAI's online training suite on tilapia welfare is the first of its kind focused on implementing welfare practices in tilapia aquaculture daily routines, from hatchery to slaughter," said Oistein Thorsen, CEO of FAI. "The courses can be accessed on a smartphone, tablet or computer and were created for everyone working in tilapia aquaculture."

The first training sessions on Tilapia Welfare Indicators and on Tilapia Nutrition and Welfare are now available. Participants will be able to register to get direct enrolment in the free courses once they are launched in early 2023.



Full course available on Moodle

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"To implement welfare in tilapia aquaculture we need to go beyond the typical codes of good practice, published in a PDF," said Sara Barrento, e-learning and aquaculture program manager at FAI. "We need to provide practical tools to implement welfare. The tilapia welfare guideline series is an interactive training tool created by welfare practitioners alongside farmers. It is practical, easy to access and free to use."

In December 2022, FAI launched a welfare app for tilapia producers (https://www.globalseafood.org/advocate/fai-launches-free-tilapia-welfare-app-for-fish-farmers/), developed in partnership with farmers and researchers in South America and Asia. FAI's free-to-use Tilapia Welfare App operationalizes scientifically validated welfare indicators, allowing farmers' own observations to help determine what good welfare for tilapia looks like.

To learn more and to sign-up to trial the course, visit the FAI Academy website (https://fai.academy/aguaculture/welfare-in-tilapia-production-guideline-series/).

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