

No. (N.S.) 139—
THE RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL SOUTH, PROVINCE WELLESLEY
SLAUGHTER HOUSE BY-LAWS, 1957

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 58 (1) (s) of the Municipal Ordinance, the following By-laws were passed by the Rural District Council South, Province Wellesley, at a meeting held on 27th July, 1957, and are published under section 58 (4) of the said Ordinance prior to confirmation by the Governor-in-Council, Penang: S.S. Cap. 133.

1. These By-laws may be cited as the Rural District Council South, Province Wellesley Slaughter House By-laws, 1957, and shall come into force on 1st January, 1958.

2. In these By-laws "Chairman" means the Chairman, Rural District Council South, Province Wellesley.

"Council" means the Rural District Council South, Province Wellesley.

"Health Officer" means the officer performing the duties of Health Officer, Province Wellesley.

"Sanitary Inspector" means any Sanitary Inspector authorised as such in writing by the Chairman, Rural District Council South, Province Wellesley.

"Government Veterinary Officer" means the officer performing the duties of Government Veterinary Officer, Penang, and includes any of his subordinates authorised by him in writing.

"Animal" has the meaning defined by section 200 of the Municipal Ordinance.

"Slaughter house" means a building any portion of which is used for the slaughtering and/or dressing of any animal.

"Slaughter Chamber" means the portion of a "Slaughter house" in which the killing of any animal is performed.

3. These By-laws shall not apply to any slaughter house owned by the Council or by the Government.

4. Except as provided for in By-law 18, no person shall slaughter any animal except in a licensed slaughter house and at such hours as may from time to time be fixed by the Council. These hours shall be displayed on a notice board in a conspicuous place in each slaughter house. The annual fee for granting such licence shall be \$20.00.

5. Every slaughter house shall be under the direction of the Health Officer and the Government Veterinary Officer. The Health Officer or Government Veterinary Officer may enter and inspect any slaughter house or any animal or being diseased may be detained for observation or further examination. It shall then be dealt with by the Government Veterinary Officer.

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at least once a month any premises where slaughtering is carried on and the owner or person in charge of such premises shall afford every facility therefor.

6. Any animal or the carcass of any animal or part thereof suspected by the Health Officer or the Government Veterinary Officer or their authorised Staff of being diseased may be detained for observation or further examination. It shall then be dealt with by the Government Veterinary Officer.

7. Every person who shall desire to use premises for the purpose of slaughter shall prepare and submit with his application for approval of the Council a plan of the building or premises in which he proposes to slaughter showing the provision made or proposed to be made for the drainage, ventilation, accommodation for animals awaiting slaughter and water supply or such premises.

8. Every owner or lessee of a licensed slaughter house shall cause the floors throughout the building and the walls of the slaughtering and dressing chambers to a height of at least six feet to be built of good cement concrete or other equally solid and impervious material. All floors shall be smoothly rendered with an adequate slope towards a channel or gully leading to an impervious catch-pit the size and form of which shall be approved by the Council.

9. Every owner or lessee of a licensed slaughter house shall cause all parts of his premises to be drained to the satisfaction of the Health Officer and shall connect the drains thereof with a catch-pit or intercepting chamber so situated and constructed as to prevent solid or other matter from finding access to a road drain without being first treated to the satisfaction of the Health Officer.

10. Every owner or lessee of a licensed slaughter house shall provide his premises with a sufficient supply of pure water at a convenient place for the purpose of keeping the premises in a clean and wholesome condition to the satisfaction of the Health Officer. He shall also supply fly proof receptacles for the purpose of collecting offal, entrails and remains of any animal slaughtered as required by the Council. No carcass shall be removed after slaughter unless properly skinned, cleansed and dressed.

11. Every owner or lessee of a licensed slaughter house shall cause the floor, walls and ceiling and premises to be kept thoroughly clean and in good repair. He shall cause all the floors and drains to be thoroughly cleaned with pure water and disinfected to the satisfaction of the Health Officer within a period of six hours after slaughter or any animal and shall cause every internal wall or part of a wall and every ceiling not painted to be limewashed at least twice a year and at such other times as may be necessary to keep the premises in a clean and wholesome condition to the satisfaction of the Health Officer.

12. Every owner or lessee of a licensed slaughter house shall at the close of every working day cause all hairs, offal, bones and remains to be placed in receptacles provided for the purpose and shall dispose of these as soon as possible in such manner as not to cause a nuisance or be offensive or injurious to health. He shall also cause to be emptied at such times as the nature of work demands or as the Health Officer or a Sanitary Inspector may require, any catch-pit intercepting chamber used in connection with the slaughter house.

13. Every person who slaughters an animal shall cause every vehicle, vessel, utensil or instrument provided or used in connection with slaughtering to be kept thoroughly clean to the satisfaction of the Health Officer and the same shall be used for no other purpose. All instruments used in connection with cutting and dressing of diseased meat or organ shall be thoroughly sterilised by boiling or by the use of suitable disinfectant.

14. There shall be no room or loft over a slaughter chamber and there shall be no direct connection between the slaughter chamber and any water closet or privy within the slaughter house. The Slaughter chamber shall in no way form part of or be used as a dwelling house.

15. No person suffering from any skin disease or communicable diseases shall be allowed to enter a slaughter house or handle meat.

16. No person shall be employed in any slaughter house until he is certified that he is medically fit by the Health Officer.

17. No person who is the owner or lessee of a licensed slaughter house shall allow any animal other than an animal about to be slaughtered to enter the slaughter house.

18. The Chairman or any officer authorised in that behalf by the Council may issue a special licence to slaughter any animal for ceremonial or sacrificial or any other purpose elsewhere than in a licensed slaughter house.

19. The Rural Board, Province Wellesley, Slaughter House By-laws, 1930, in so far as they apply to the Rural District Council South area by virtue of the Rural District Council South, Province Wellesley, Establishment Notification No. 33 published in the Settlement of Penang Section of the Federation of Malaya Government Gazette on 21st January, 1954; are hereby cancelled.

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