

Information on the use of the Slaughterhouse

To enable an animal to be slaughtered there are a number of conditions you will need to satisfy.

- 1. Ensure the animal is registered to you, if you're not sure contact Farm Services (tel 234567).
- 2. Book in with the Slaughterman (Alan Cox) as early as possible on 213090 and quote the animal's ID. A list of charges for the slaughterhouse and incinerator can be obtained from Farm Services or found online.
- 3. Complete the Food Chain form http://www.gov.gg/CHttpHandler.ashx?id=93067&p=0 this must include the ID, sex and age. The Lairage Stockman will check the animal's ID matches the form.
- 4. The tag must be of an approved type, handwritten tags are not acceptable, nor are tags handed in separately, they must be applied to the animal.
- 5. Fully identified animals must have a tag in each ear with a properly printed tag, not with the individual number written in pen or with just one tag.
- 6. Numbers which you have already used cannot be used again (except slaughter tags).
- 7. In exceptional circumstances where safety would be under threat to identify an animal this rule may be waived by the States Vet. However as all animals must be identified by 6 months of age there should be very few "unidentified" older animals around.
- 8. Adhere to the Visible Cleanliness Scores <u>http://www.gov.gg/CHttpHandler.ashx?id=84061&p=0</u> Animals which are not appropriately clean and dry will be rejected.
- 9. Sheep should be clipped on their undercarriage from their throat to their anus.
- 10. Starve adult sheep, goats and cattle 24 to 36hrs before slaughter; starve lambs, kids and calves under 12weeks of age and pigs for 12hrs before slaughter.
- 11. Do not use saw dust or wood chip as bedding in trailers used for transport of animals to slaughter. Use the minimum amount of straw/hay as bedding to provide grip and to soak up excrement produced during the journey.

CLEAN & DISINFECT VEHICLES AT SLAUGHTERHOUSE

From 1st January 2016 it is a requirement that vehicles that deliver animals for slaughter at the abattoir are cleaned and disinfected (C&D) **before they leave**. Carters need to complete the following steps:

- 1. Remove spent bedding using equipment provided and dump in skip provided.
- 2. Pressure wash the inside of trailer, tyres, wheels, mud guards and wheel arches of the vehicle and trailer.
- 3. Spray the cleaned areas with disinfectant.
- 4. Clean footwear before asking the lairage stockman to check that the vehicle and trailer are appropriately clean and disinfected to leave the abattoir.
- 5. Leave the C & D area clean and tidy for the next person or penalties may be applied
- 6. C & D after each visit before collecting from subsequent holdings