



# RAHMAT-E-ALAM FOUNDATION

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## SHAR'I ZABIHA CERTIFICATION FORM

### APPLICATION FOR

- A. Slaughter House       B. Processor       C. Distributor  
 D. Retailer       E. Restaurant

### APPLICANT'S INFORMATION

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
FIRST MIDDLE LAST

Position: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
STREET ADDRESS / P.O.BOX / APT # CITY STATE ZIP CODE

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell #: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax #: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you an authorized decision maker?  Yes  No If No, then please provide the name of authorized decision maker

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
FIRST MIDDLE LAST

Position: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
STREET ADDRESS / P.O.BOX / APT # CITY STATE ZIP CODE

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell #: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax #: \_\_\_\_\_

### BUSINESS INFORMATION

Name of Business Entity: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Type:  "C" Corporation  "S" Corporation  LLC  Sole Proprietor

Name of CEO: \_\_\_\_\_

DBA (if different from above): \_\_\_\_\_

Business physical address:

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
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Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell #: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax #: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Website: \_\_\_\_\_

## TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- 1) The Applicant acknowledges and represents that they fully understand that by accepting this Application neither the Islamic Social Services (A division of Rahmat-e-Alam Foundation, herein called as ISS), nor any of its officers or representatives represent or imply that the supervision and certification applied for will be granted by ISS.
- 2) The Applicant fully understands that certification and endorsement by ISS depends on many factors. The ISS may, at its sole discretion, reject this Application and refuse to endorse or to give certification to the product or establishment.
- 3) After preliminary review of this Application, the ISS will require an initial inspection of the premises. The Applicant shall make available their premises for inspection at a time convenient to both ISS and Applicant. Applicant shall provide ISS with all further information that is required, either prior to or subsequent to the said inspection including, but not limited to, a list of all ingredients used in the production names, addresses and sources of all supplies, a description of the manner of production, etc.
- 4) It is understood that ISS shall, at its sole discretion, determine the acceptability of any endorsement or certification of any product used by the Applicant in its operation.
- 5) If and when certification is granted by ISS, it shall be pursuant to certain contracts entered into by and between ISS and the Applicant. Said contract will contain the conditions and terms upon which ISS will supervise and grant certification.
- 6) The Applicant further warrants and promises that they will not publish, announce, advertise, or in any way suggest or represent to anyone by any means or media whatsoever, that their product or establishments have ISS Certification unless and until they have received a letter from ISS informing him that Certification is granted and that Applicant has permission to use ISS name and to advertise this fact.
- 7) The Applicant, for themselves, their heirs, executors, and assigns, releases and forever discharges ISS, its officers, members, representatives, and agents from any and all damages that it may have sustained, or any claims it may have at any time against said ISS, its officers, members, representatives, and agents, arising out of any act or omission caused, or claimed to have caused, in any manner whatsoever in connection with inspection, endorsements, or certification of any of Applicant's products, operations, or establishments, or caused, or claimed to have been caused by the refusal in granting said certification.
- 8) The ISS covenants and agrees that it will not communicate or divulge to, or use for the benefit of any other entity, partnership, association, or corporation, any of the trade secrets, formulae, or secret processes, used or employed by the company in, or about its business, that may be communicated to the ISS by virtue of this application.
- 9) The Applicant fully understands that the ISS has the right to revoke certificate in case of any violation from Applicant.
- 10) The Applicant confirms that they have reviewed the terms and conditions of this application with their legal counsel.

I have read and agreed to the terms of this Application:

I understand that by virtue of this application I duly authorise ISS where necessary and in their sole discretion to approach other recognized Muslim Authorities or any supplier or manufacturer of any equipment or other peripherals used by the applicant to verify its conformity with the criteria set by Islamic Social Service.

Applicant Name

Position

Signature / Date

**SECTION A : SLAUGHTER HOUSE**

Is this plant currently Zabīha Certified by any organization?  Yes  No if yes, then state the name and address of the organization.

PLEASE TYPE FULL NAME OF THE CERTIFYING ENTITY

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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CITY

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**Business Hours:** Please state business working days and hours in the chart below. Enter hours of all the shifts this plant runs in a week

DAYS	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
HOURS							

**Plant Capacity:**

Maximum number of livestock this plant can slaughter in a day: \_\_\_\_\_

Total number of livestock this plant slaughter per day: \_\_\_\_\_

Total number of Muslim employees working specifically in the slaughtering area of the plant: \_\_\_\_\_

**Non-Zabīha Slaughtering:** Is non Zabīha done at this plant?  Yes  No If yes, then provide information below

DAYS	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
HOURS							

Types of Non-Zabīha Livestock slaughtered at this plant:  Cow  Lamb  Goat  Other Specify: \_\_\_\_\_

**Livestock Slaughter Detail:**

S/N	LIVESTOCK	QUANTITY / DAY
1		
2		
3		
4		
5		

**Slaughtering Plant Inspection:**

Is the plant USDA Inspected?  Yes  No if yes, then state the Plant ID: \_\_\_\_\_

**Processing Facility:**

Does this plant process carcass after slaughter?  Yes  No if yes, then complete **Form B: Processor**

**Distribution:**

Does this plant distribute carcass or processed meat to distributors, retailers, or restaurants?  Yes  No

If yes, then complete **Form C: Distributor**

**Strictly Confidential:**

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## SECTION A : SLAUGHTER HOUSE

Provide Slaughter-man information in the chart below:

S/N	FULL NAME	SECT: <b>SUNNI</b> , IF OTHER SPECIFY	PHONE NUMBER

Please write all the necessary steps that are being utilized in slaughtering an animal. Use one box per step. Make additional copy of this page if more boxes are required.

Step 1

Step 2

Step 3

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## SHAR'I ZABIHA CONSENT FORM

I, \_\_\_\_\_, owner/authorized decision maker of \_\_\_\_\_,

solemnly swear in the name of Allah the Almighty Who is Omnipresent and the all seeing One, with all my senses intact and without any kind of pressure that:

01. I will operate my business in accordance with the rules of the Islamic Shari'ah under the guidance of ISS.
02. I will buy/sell meat (chicken, goat, lamb, veal and beef) only from the Slaughter houses, Distributors or Retailers that are certified from the Halal Zabīha Committee of ISS.
03. In any circumstances whatsoever\* I would not buy/sell meat (chicken, goat, lamb, veal and beef) from any Slaughter houses, Distributors or Retailers that are not certified from the Halal Zabīha Committee of ISS.
04. Upon arrival of ISS inspectors for inspection, I must give them full freedom and access to inspect my plant, store, restaurant, and invoices.
05. Upon being certified, I agree my company (and any ongoing inspection results) to be listed on the Rahmat-e-Alam Foundation website.
06. In case of any change in the present slaughter house, processor, distributor, or retailer, or restaurant, ISS must be informed.
07. I will comply to any/all future instructions provided to me by ISS.
08. If I violate any or all of the aforementioned terms, my Certification will be revoked automatically.
09. **No part of this certificate may be reproduced, transmitted in any form or by any means, electronic, mechanical, photocopying, recording or otherwise.**
10. I will always use a Muslim slaughter man (only applies to applications for Slaughter Houses).

### Accepted And Agreed To:

Business Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Name & No.

City

State

Zip

**Applicant** Name

Position

Signature / Date

### Witness:

**Inspector** Name

Position

Signature / Date

Note: \* Whatsoever also pertains to any/all conditions of emergency.

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## Allah Almighty has ordered in the Holy Quran

يَا أَيُّهَا النَّاسُ كُلُوا مِمَّا فِي الْأَرْضِ حَلَالًا طَيِّبًا وَلَا تَتَّبِعُوا خُطُوَاتِ الشَّيْطَانِ إِنَّهُ لَكُمْ عَدُوٌّ مُبِينٌ (البقرة 168)

**O mankind! Eat of that which is lawful and wholesome in the earth, and follow not the footsteps of the devil. Lo! he is an open enemy for you.**

وَلَا تَأْكُلُوا مِمَّا لَمْ يُذْكَرِ اسْمُ اللَّهِ عَلَيْهِ وَإِنَّهُ لَفِسْقٌ (الانعام 121)

**And eat not of that whereon Allah's name hath not been mentioned, for lo! it is abomination.**

## Essential Shar'i Conditions for Halāl Zabīhah

Islam prescribes certain requisites before declaring the meat of an animal to be “*Halāl*”; permissible for consumption.

**The following guidelines need to be strictly implemented in order for it to be “*Halāl*”:**

- 1) It must be slaughtered as per the following Shar‘i norms:
  - a) The neck of the animal should be cut between the throat and the gullet.
  - b) While cutting the throat of the animal, it should be ensured that four major veins or blood vessels of the animal have been cut. (Even if only three have been cut, the slaughter would be considered valid).

The four veins or blood vessels are:

1. The trachea (wind-pipe) from which air enters the lungs.
2. The alimentary canal, from which food and water enters the stomach.
3. The two jugular veins of the neck, which return blood from head to the heart.



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- 2) The person who is doing the “*Zabīha*” should be a Muslim, whether man or woman, with or without “*Wudhu*”. If the man doing the slaughtering belongs to the “People of the Book”, then he should be a staunch follower of his own religion; he should not be an atheist, he should slaughter in the name of Allah and should not take any other name.
- 3) The person who is slaughtering should be sane and mentally capable.
- 4) At the time of slaughter, the name of “*Allah*” should be taken.  
Example: “*Bismillahi Allahu Akbar*”. He should say it orally and not silently within himself.
- 5) He should say “*Bismillah*” with the intention of “*Zabīha*” and nothing else.
- 6) He should not add any other name to “*Allah*”.
- 7) He should slaughter the moment he says “*Bismillah*”; there should be no delay.
- 8) At the time of “*Zabīha*”, the animal should actually be alive.
- 9) If more than one animal is to be slaughtered then separate “*Bismillah*” should be said for each animal.
- 10) The meat of a Non-Zabīha animal or an animal’s meat which has not been slaughtered as per the Shari‘ah, should not be mixed with Zabīha meat in a way that they cannot be differentiated.
- 11) While cleaning or processing the meat, the temperature of the water should not be so high, that the heat permeates into the meat. **That the heat has gone inside the meat is indicated by the smell of the entrails in the stomach entering the meat.**

Note: Those animals declared as “*Halāl*”, if they have been slaughtered according to “*Zabīha*” rules, only then consuming their meat is “*Halāl*”. If they have not been slaughtered as per Shar‘i norms, then that meat cannot be called “*Halāl*”, it would be considered as “*Carrion*” which is “*Haram*”. It clearly means that there are no separate forms of “*Halāl*” and “*Zabīha*” meat in Islam.



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**There are some other things which need to be followed as per Su'nah (i.e. according to the actions of Prophet Mohammed P.B.U.H).**

1. The knife should be very sharp.
2. Water should be poured into the animal's mouth.
3. The animal's face should be turned towards the "*Qiblah*"
4. The person doing the slaughtering should face the "*Qiblah*"
5. The person should have performed ablution.
6. The slaughtering should be done with the right hand.
7. The knife should be used quickly on the throat.
8. While saying "*Bismillah*" use the "*Zer*" at the end. Say "*Bismillahi Allahu Akbar*".
9. The animal should be laid gently on its left side.
10. The limbs of the big animal, like cow, camel or buffalo, should be tied.

## **Disapproved acts during Sacrificial Slaughter**

1. The action of cutting the throat should not be so quick or deep that it severs the neck completely. This is disapproved.
2. It is "*Makruh*" to start skinning the animal or severing its head from its body, even before the animal is totally lifeless.
3. Slaughtering an animal before another animal is also disapproved etc.

*Note: In addition to the above, if any action takes place against the Shari'ah in the Slaughter house, it will be asked to desist from doing so.*





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## Halāl animal's organs whose consumption is prohibited

1. Penis
2. Vagina
3. Bladder
4. Glands in the spinal cord (their marrow is “*Haram*”)
5. Testes
6. Bile duct
7. Blood (fresh or coagulated)

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