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**Board Chairman
Resolution No.
(37/2014)
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(Abattoirs)
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1. Scope of Application

Provisions of this resolution are mandatorily applied to all slaughterhouses (abattoirs) that desire to supply or provide red meats and its products and poultry meat and its products to the UAE markets to ensure compliance with the halal requirements of Islamic Sharia and the required health and technical requirements in the approved standard specifications in order to register and grant the necessary permission by the Authority.

2. Definitions

For the purposes of applying the provisions of this resolution the definitions contained in the “UAE Regulations for Control on Halal Products” is adopted, unless the context requires otherwise.



3. Obligations and Responsibilities

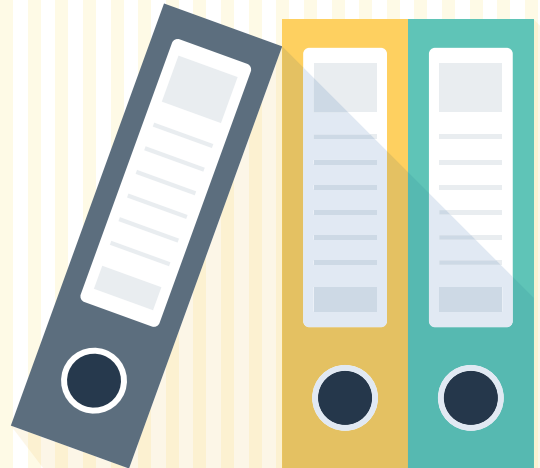
a. The conformity assessment bodies (Halal certification bodies) should commit to the following:

1. Assessment and inspection of slaughterhouses based on the requirements set forth in the standard specifications set out in the Appendix to this resolution, and adopt it as a reference in the evaluation, inspection and certification, or use any other standard specifications operations acceptable to the Authority.
2. Supervising the registered slaughterhouses that are granted prior permits and ensuring its commitment to the general technical requirements contained in the general technical requirements and terms for the slaughterhouses on this resolution and to apply to the Authority with the recommendation to extend, suspend or cancel its registration and permit.
3. To commit to the implementation of any other regulatory decisions or requirements imposed by the Authority and act according to it through its application to the slaughterhouses.

b. The slaughter houses should comply with the following:

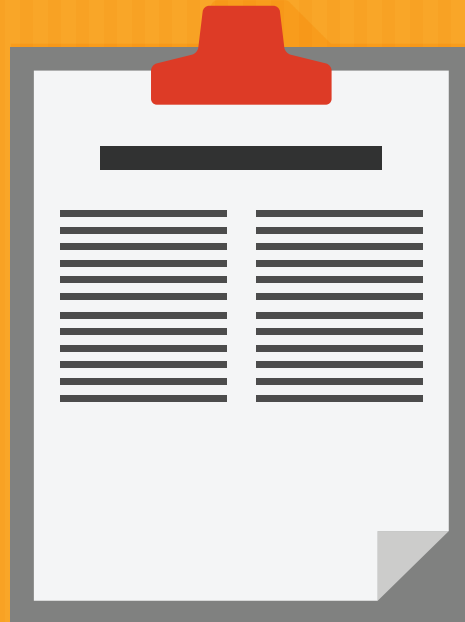
1. To obtain proof of registration and authorization by the Authority to exercise their activities in accordance with the provisions and requirements of this decision after coordination with the conformity assessment bodies (Halal certification bodies).
2. To apply the approved standard specifications issued by the Authority set out in the Appendix of this decision.
3. To get the Halal certificate or Halal mark to its products.
4. To commit to implement one of the globally applicable quality management systems accepted by the Authority in addition to any of the systems of food safety management, good manufacturing practices or good hygiene practices, and to implement an effective monitoring system to ensure the achievement of the requirements of this resolution, and to submit documents showing that issued by a body recognized by the Authority.

4. Procedures for registration of slaughterhouses



- a. Slaughterhouses (abattoirs) that desire to supply or provide red meats and its products and poultry meat and its products in the UAE markets should submit an application for registration to an accredited conformity assessment bodies (halal certification bodies) in the same country in which the slaughterhouse is located or to the nearest point of conformity assessment bodies (halal certification bodies) in the case of non-existence of a conformity assessment bodies (halal certification bodies) in the county where the slaughterhouse is located, supported by documents relating to the health and veterinary procedures followed in the slaughterhouse.
- b. The conformity assessment bodies (halal certification bodies) makes a field visit where it initially assess the slaughterhouse to make sure of its commitment to the technical conditions and requirements contained in the general technical requirements and conditions of the slaughterhouses of this decision.
- c. In case the application is refused after the assessment, the conformity assessment bodies (halal certification bodies) notifies the applicant in writing to clarify the reasons for the refusal and mention all the required corrective measures to reconsider accepting the application.
- d. In the case the results of the assessment are of matching to the requirements of this decision, the Authority is provided with all the documents supported by photos and illustrations of the operations and the evaluation report and recommendation related to the registration and the granting of the permit.
- e. The Authority shall issue the proper decision for the registration and grant the permit, which is valid for one year after the payment of the due fees.
- f. Renew, cancel or suspend the permit granted to the slaughterhouse:
 - 1. The registration and the permit may be renewed at the request of the slaughterhouse provided that the required fees are submitted with the application at least two months before the expiry date of the previous permit.
 - 2. The re-evaluating of the slaughterhouse is made by the conformity assessment bodies (halal certification bodies) to make sure of its commitment to the health and permissible conditions required.
 - 3. The registration and permit of the slaughterhouse may be canceled or stopped in the following cases:
 - Based on the results of the slaughterhouse technical evaluation report issued by the conformity assessment bodies (halal certification bodies) if it turned out that it is not committed to the health and permissible conditions required.
 - Based on a report from the competent authority in the country that states the meat from the slaughterhouse is unhealthy or not safe by examining the consignments of meat sent by it to the border port.
 - In the event of non-payment of the prescribed fees.

5. General requirements and technical conditions of slaughterhouses



- a. The Authority oversees the registration of slaughterhouses that desire to supply or provide red meats and its products and poultry meat and its products in the state markets through the approved conformity assessment bodies (Halal certification bodies) where these slaughterhouses must register and obtain official permission from the Authority.
- b. The slaughterhouse should enclose the Halal certificate issued by the conformity assessment bodies (Halal certification bodies), supported from each consignment to ensure matching all stages of the production chain or slaughter to the requirements of this decision.
- c. The workers of the slaughterhouses should be registered at the conformity assessment bodies (Halal certification bodies), and hold a certificate of competence and qualification related to the Halal products accredited for that purpose.
- d. All the requirements contained in the approved standard specifications set forth in the Appendix should be bound to.
- e. Effective control procedures should be applied during all production, storage, transport and trading series so that these procedures ensure that the slaughterhouses matches the requirements of Halal requirements in Islamic Sharia, and that the documents and instruments pertaining there to are retained for the purposes of inspection and audit by the competent authorities or the conformity assessment bodies (Halal certification bodies).
- f. The Authority may issue decisions related to the exception of any of the Islamic countries of some of the requirements of this decision, and may exclude certain products from being subjected to the provisions of this decision so that these products are defined within the lists attached to this decision, and in these cases, these products are dealt with as directed by the Authority.
- g. In no case whatsoever shall the registered slaughterhouses issue Halal certificates for their products; this is done through coordination with the conformity assessment bodies (Halal certification bodies) accredited to the Authority.



6. Control and Market Surveys

The Authority and the competent bodies have the right to withdraw any products samples to conduct the necessary tests to ensure compliance with the requirements and conditions set forth in this resolution.



7. General Provisions

- a. For the purpose of implementing the provisions of this resolution, the Council of Ministers Resolution no. (10) for the year 2014 related to the « UAE's Regulations for the control of halal products.» is considered an essential reference for the interpretation of the provisions of this resolution.
- b. The Appendix attached to this resolution, including the terms and definitions set forth in the approved standard specifications is an integral part of its provisions.

8. Procedures and Penalties

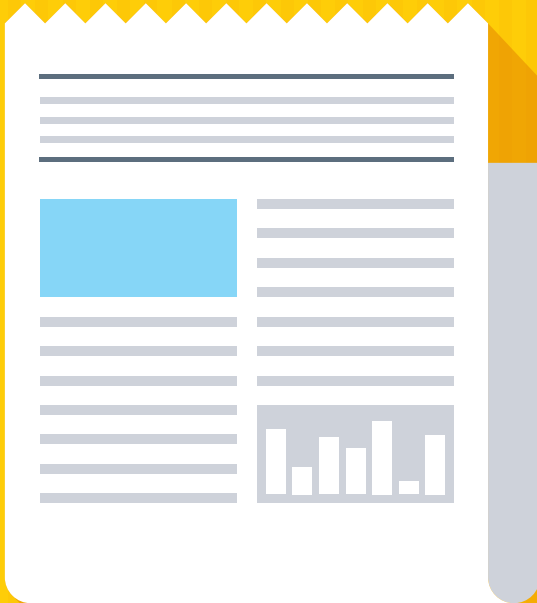
1. In the event of finding any violation to the provisions of this resolution, the Authority or the competent authority, as the case may be, takes action to remove this violation and their implications based on it, and for that it may:
 - Assign the violating party responsible for the violating product to withdraw it from the market in order to straighten its position, return it to the country of origin or destroy it within the period of time specified by the Authority or by the competent authority, as the case may be.
 - Take all the necessary actions by the competent authority to withdraw, impound or destroy these products, or any other action necessary to remove the violation committed, and it may announce the withdrawal of the product from the market while the violating party bears all the costs involved.
2. Without prejudice to any more severe penalty provided for by the legislation in force, whoever violates the provisions of this resolution is penalized with the penalties set forth in the Federal Law No. (28) of 2001, on the establishment of the Emirates Authority for Standardization and Metrology, as amended.
3. The Authority has the right to take appropriate action against the products that does not conform to the provisions of this resolution and its interpretations, and that includes the cancellation or suspension of the registration and authorization for the slaughterhouse and curb the violating products and prevent it from being traded in the market.



9. Transitional Provisions

Each of the conformity assessment bodies (Halal certification bodies) and the slaughterhouses should meet the requirements of the provisions of this decision within one year from the date of publication in the Official Gazette.





10. Publishing and Effectiveness

This decision is to be published in the Official Gazette, and shall be in effect from the date of publication, and the concerned authorities should implement what is in it.

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