

## 7. Kwahu East District Assembly (Control of Slaughterhouses) Bye-Laws, 2020

### 1. Use of Public slaughter house

- (1) A person shall not slaughter an animal for human consumption within the jurisdictional area of the Assembly other than in the public slaughterhouse or other places appointed for that purpose by the Assembly.
- (2) A person shall not sell or offer or expose within the jurisdiction of the Assembly the flesh of domestic animals not killed in a slaughterhouse or other places appointed for the slaughter of animals.

### 2. Slaughter Practice and Meat Inspection

- (1) Every slaughter house/place shall be guided by the relevant regulations and codes of practice of relevant national competent authorities and Acts. E.G the Public Health Act 2012 (Act 851)
- (2) The person in charge of the animal(s) awaiting slaughter shall provide it with sufficient food and water, and protect it from being harassed by insects and from any act that turns to unnecessarily cause it pain or harm.
- (3) All animals slaughtered shall be killed by cutting the throat after stunning or by means of a “captive bolt” pistol (the latter to be used only by a person authorized by the District Environmental Health Officer.
- (4) An animal shall not be slaughtered within the sight of another living animal.
- (5) Subject to the provisions of the foregoing paragraph of this bye-law, an Environmental Health Officer or any person employed by the Assembly to exercise control over a slaughterhouse or other places designated for the slaughter of animals shall have power to direct the manner in which an animal shall be slaughtered so as to prevent unnecessary cruelty.

### 3. Cleaning of slaughterhouse after use

A person who slaughters an animal in a slaughterhouse or other places approved for the slaughter of animals shall keep the slaughterhouse clean and shall, before leaving, clean blood and

wash the slaughterhouse to the satisfaction of the Environmental Health Officer or any person employed by the Assembly to exercise control over slaughterhouses or other places approved for the slaughter of animals.

#### 4. Fee for using a slaughterhouse

The Assembly shall charge fees as shall be fixed by a resolution of the Assembly for the use of the slaughter house.

#### 5. Transportation of meat

1. A person shall not convey or cause to be conveyed meat from anywhere without adequate protection against flies or dust or human contact that may cause the meat to be contaminated

2. Vehicle for transportation of meat from the slaughter house shall be approved by the Environmental Officer or the Veterinary Officer before being used for such purpose.

#### 6. Penalty

A person who contravenes any of the provisions of these bye-laws, where a public slaughterhouse has been provided, commits an offence and is liable on summary conviction to a fine not less than twenty-five penalty units or in default of payment, to a term of imprisonment not exceeding six months or both.