

Ritual Slaughter - Kosher and Halal Meat
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Information for communities who wish to obtain Halal or Kosher meats in New Brunswick

The sale of meat is legislated under the New Brunswick *Public Health Act*.

Requirements for Purchase of Meat:

- All meat, including Halal and Kosher meat, must be purchased from a licensed retail store, meat shop or slaughter plant in New Brunswick.
- You cannot buy an animal and slaughter it on your property or the property of anyone else including the farm where you bought the animal. This is true whether you use the meat for yourself or give it to someone else.
- Exception: You can buy an animal and take it to a licensed slaughter plant to have it slaughtered and the meat cut up (see list of abattoirs and position statement). You will need to ask the plant if and when they can provide halal service.

See the following attachments for more information:

Office of the Chief Medical Officer of Health, *Position statement: Ritual Slaughtering for the Purpose of Producing Kosher and Halal Meat*, April 2012.

New Brunswick Abattoirs Licensed and Inspected by the New Brunswick Department of Health under the *Public Health Act*:

<http://www2.gnb.ca/content/dam/gnb/Departments/10/pdf/Agriculture/NBAbattoirsLicensedInspected.pdf>