

# **BYELAWS**

MADE BY THE  
RURAL DISTRICT COUNCIL  
OF

## **HAVANT**

WITH RESPECT TO  
  
**SLAUGHTER-HOUSES**

BYELAWS made by the Rural District Council of Havant with respect to  
SLAUGHTER-HOUSES in the Rural District of Havant.

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*Interpretation*

1. Throughout these byelaws the expression "the Council" means the Rural District Council of Havant and the expression "slaughter-house" does not include a knacker's yard.

*For the licensing, registering, and inspection of slaughter-houses, for preventing cruelty therein, for keeping the same in a cleanly and proper state, for removing filth at least once in every twenty-four hours, and requiring such slaughter-houses to be provided with a sufficient supply of water.*

2. Every person who shall apply to the Council for a licence for the erection of any premises to be used and occupied as a slaughter-house shall furnish in the form hereunto appended a true statement of the particulars therein required to be specified.

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*FORM OF APPLICATION  
FOR  
A LICENCE*

*To erect premises for use and occupation as a Slaughter-house.*

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To the Rural District Council of Havant.

I, \_\_\_\_\_, of \_\_\_\_\_, do hereby apply to you for a licence in pursuance of the statutory provisions in that behalf, for the erection of certain premises to be used and occupied as a slaughter-house subject to the condition that a licence which shall be in force for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ be granted by you in respect of such use and occupation; and I do hereby declare that to the best of my knowledge and belief the Schedule hereunto annexed contains a true statement of the several particulars therein set forth with respect to the said premises.

SCHEDULE.

1. Boundaries, area and description of the proposed site of the premises to be erected for use and occupation as a slaughter-house.	
<p>2. Description of the premises to be erected on such site:</p> <p>(a) Nature, position, form, superficial area and cubical contents of the several buildings therein comprised.</p> <p>(b) Extent of paved area in such buildings, and materials to be employed in the paving of such area.</p> <p>(c) Mode of construction of the internal surface of the walls of such buildings, and materials to be employed in such construction.</p> <p>(d) Means of water supply, - position, form, materials, mode of construction and capacity of the several cisterns, tanks or other receptacles for water to be constructed for permanent use in or upon the premises.</p> <p>(e) Means of drainage, - position, size, materials, and mode of construction of the several drains.</p> <p>(f) Means of lighting and ventilation.</p> <p>(g) Means of access for cattle from the nearest street or public thoroughfare.</p> <p>(h) Number, position, and dimensions of the several pounds, stalls, pens or lairs to be provided on the premises.</p> <p>(i) Number of animals for which accommodation will be provided in such pounds, stalls, pens or lairs, distinguishing -</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Oxen</li> <li>2. Calves</li> <li>3 Sheep and lambs</li> <li>4. Swine</li> </ol>	

Witness my hand this

day of

19 .

(Signature of Applicant.)  
(Address of Applicant.)

3. Every person who shall apply to the Council for a licence for the use and occupation of any premises as a slaughter-house shall furnish in the form hereunto appended, a true statement of the particulars therein required to be specified.

*FORM OF APPLICATION  
FOR  
A LICENCE*

*For the use and occupation of premises as a slaughter house.*

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To the Rural District Council of Havant.

I \_\_\_\_\_, of \_\_\_\_\_, do hereby apply to you for a licence, in pursuance of the statutory provisions in that behalf, for the use and occupation as a slaughter-house of the premises hereinafter described for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ from the date of such licence: and I do hereby declare that to the best of my knowledge and belief the Schedule hereunto annexed contains a true statement of the several particulars therein set forth with respect to the said premises.

SCHEDULE

1. Situation and boundaries of the premises to be used and occupied as a slaughter-house.	
2. Christian names, surname, and address of the owner of the premises.	
3. Nature and conditions of applicant's tenure of the premises:  (a) For what term; and whether by lease or otherwise.  (b) Whether applicant is sole owner, lessee, or tenant; or whether applicant is jointly interested with any other person or persons, and if so with whom.	

<p>4. Description of the premises:</p> <p>(a) Nature, position, form, superficial area, and cubical contents of the several buildings therein comprised.</p> <p>(b) Extent of paved area in such buildings and materials employed in the paving of such area.</p> <p>(c) Mode of construction of the internal surface of the walls of such buildings and materials employed in such construction.</p> <p>(d) Means of water supply, - position, form, materials, mode of construction and capacity of the several cisterns, tanks or other receptacles for water, constructed for permanent use in or upon the premises.</p> <p>e) Means of drainage, - position, size, materials, and mode of construction of the several drains.</p> <p>(f) Means of lighting and ventilation.</p> <p>(g) Means of access for cattle from the nearest street or public thoroughfare.</p> <p>(h) Number, position, and dimensions of the several pounds, stalls, pens or lairs provided on the premises.</p> <p>(i) Number of animals for which accommodation will be provided in such pounds, stalls, pens or lairs, distinguishing:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Oxen.</li> <li>2. Calves.</li> <li>3. Sheep and lambs.</li> <li>4. Swine.</li> </ol>	
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Witness my hand this

day of

19 .

(Signature of Applicant.)  
 (Address of Applicant.)  
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4. Every person to whom the Council may have resolved that a licence be granted to erect premises for use and occupation as a slaughter-house shall be entitled to receive from the Council a licence in the form hereunto appended, or to the like effect.

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*FORM OF APPLICATION  
FOR  
A LICENCE*

*To erect premises for use and occupation as a Slaughter-house.*

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No. of } \_\_\_\_\_  
Licence }

Reference to } \_\_\_\_\_  
Folio in Register }

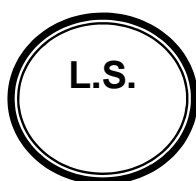
Rural District of Havant.

Whereas application has been made to us, the Rural District Council of Havant, by \_\_\_\_\_, of \_\_\_\_\_, for a licence to erect on a site within the said District of certain premises for use and occupation as a slaughter-house:

Now we, the said Council, in pursuance of the powers conferred upon us by the statutory provisions in that behalf, do hereby license the said \_\_\_\_\_, of \_\_\_\_\_, to erect upon the site defined or described in the Schedule hereunto annexed the premises whereof the description is set forth in the said Schedule, which may be used and occupied as a slaughter-house, subject to the condition that a licence, which shall be in force for a period of \_\_\_\_\_, be granted by us, in respect of such use and occupation.

## SCHEDULE

Boundaries, area and description of the proposed site of the premises to be erected for use and occupation as a slaughter-house.	Description of the premises to be erected for use and occupation as a slaughter-house.



Given under the Common Seal of the Rural District Council of Havant this                      day of                      , in the year One thousand nine hundred and                     

*Clerk to the Council*

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5. Every person to whom the Council may have resolved that a licence be granted for the use and occupation of any premises as a slaughter-house shall be entitled to receive from the Council a licence in the form hereunto appended or to the like effect.

## FORM OF LICENCE

*For the use and occupation of premises as a Slaughter-house.*

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No. of }  
Licence } \_\_\_\_\_

Reference to }  
Folio in Register } \_\_\_\_\_

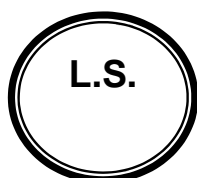
Rural District of Havant.

Whereas application has been made to us, the Rural District Council of Havant, by  
\_\_\_\_\_, of  
for a licence for the use and occupation of certain premises as a slaughter-house: -

Now, we, the said Council, in pursuance of the powers conferred upon us by the  
statutory provisions in that behalf, do hereby license the said  
\_\_\_\_\_, of \_\_\_\_\_,  
to use and occupy as a slaughter-house the premises whereof the situation and  
description are set forth in the Schedule hereunto annexed, for a period of \_\_\_\_\_  
from the date hereof.

### SCHEDULE

Situation of the premises to be used and occupied as a slaughter-house.	Description of the Premises to be used and occupied as a slaughter-house.



Given under the Common Seal of the Rural District  
Council of Havant this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_, in the year One  
thousand nine hundred and \_\_\_\_\_

*Clerk to the Council.*

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6. Every person who may have obtained from the Council, in accordance with the provisions of the byelaw in that behalf, a licence to erect any premises for use and occupation as a slaughter-house, or a licence for the use and occupation of any premises as a slaughter-house, shall register such premises at the office of the Council.

He shall, for such purpose, apply, by notice in writing addressed to the Clerk to the Council, to register such premises; and thereupon it shall be the duty of the Clerk to the Council, within a reasonable time after the receipt of such notice in writing, to enter in a book to be provided by the Council in the form hereunto appended the particulars therein required to be specified.

#### FORM OF REGISTER OF SLAUGHTER-HOUSES.

Rural District of Havant.												
Folio.												
Date of Registration.	Particulars of licence.					Christian name, surname and address of owner of slaughter-house.	Christian name, surname, and address of occupier of slaughter-house.	Situation of slaughter-house.	Number of animals for which accommodation is provided on the premises.			
	For erection of slaughter-house.		For use and occupation of slaughter-house.						Oxen.	Calves.	Sheep and lambs.	Swine.
	No. of licence.	Date of licence.	No. of licence.	Date of licence.	Period of duration of licence.							
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13

7. Every occupier of a slaughter-house shall, at all reasonable times, afford free access to every part of the premises to the Medical Officer of Health, the Sanitary Inspector, or the Surveyor of the Council, or to any officer or Committee specially appointed by the Council in that behalf, for the purpose of inspecting such premises.

8. Every person engaged in a slaughter-house in driving or bringing any animal to the place of slaughter shall (a) avoid, so far as practicable, driving or bringing the animal over any ground which is likely to cause the animal to slip or fall, and (b) otherwise adopt such methods and precautions as will prevent the infliction of unnecessary suffering or pain.

9. A person shall not in a slaughter-house proceed to slaughter any bull, ox, cow, heifer, or steer until the same shall have been effectually stunned.

Provided that this byelaw shall not be deemed to apply to any member of the Jewish faith, duly licensed by the Chief Rabbi as a slaughterer, when engaged in the slaughtering of cattle intended for the food of Jews according to the Jewish method of slaughtering, if no unnecessary suffering is inflicted.

10. Every occupier of a slaughter-house and every servant of such occupier and every other person employed upon the premises in the slaughtering of cattle shall, before proceeding to slaughter any bull, ox, cow, heifer or steer, cause the head of such animal to be securely fastened in such a position as to enable such animal to be felled with as little pain or suffering as practicable, and shall in the process of slaughtering any animal use such instruments and appliances and adopt such method of slaughtering and otherwise take such precautions as may be requisite to secure the infliction of as little pain or suffering as practicable.
11. A person shall not, in a slaughter-house, slaughter, or cause or suffer to be slaughtered, any animal, or dress, or cause or suffer to be dressed, the carcase of any animal in the view of another animal.
12. A person shall not use any instrument for slaughtering or stunning any animal unless his training, physical condition and ability qualify him to use the instrument so as to inflict on the animal as little pain or suffering as practicable.
13. An occupier of a slaughter-house shall not cause or allow any blood or other refuse to flow from such slaughter-house so as to be within the sight or (so far as it is practicable to avoid it) within the smell of any animal in the slaughter-house, and he shall not cause or allow any such blood or other refuse to be deposited in the waiting pens or lairs.
14. Every occupier of a slaughter-house shall cause the means of ventilation provided in or in connection with such slaughter-house to be kept at all times in proper order and efficient action; and so that the ventilation shall be by direct communication with the external air.
15. Every occupier of a slaughter-house shall cause the drainage provided in or in connection with such slaughter-house to be kept at all times in proper order and efficient action.
16. Every occupier of a slaughter-house shall cause every part of the internal surface of the walls and every part of the floor or pavement of such slaughter-

house to be kept at all times in good order and repair, so as to prevent the absorption therein of any blood or liquid refuse or filth which may be spilled or splashed thereon, or any offensive or noxious matter which may be deposited thereon or brought into contact therewith.

He shall cause every part of the internal surface above the floor or pavement of such slaughter-house to be thoroughly washed with hot lime-wash at least four times every year; that is to say, at least once during the periods between the *first and tenth of March*, the *first and tenth of June*, the *first and tenth of September*, and the *first and tenth of December*, respectively, and at such other times as may be necessary for maintaining a proper state of cleanliness of such surface.

Provided that the foregoing requirements shall not be deemed to apply to any part of the internal surface of any slaughter-house, which is constructed of or covered with hard smooth impervious material, and may be otherwise properly cleansed.

He shall cause every part of the floor or payment of such slaughter-house and the fittings thereof, and every part of the internal surfaces of every wall on which any blood or liquid refuse or filth may have been spilled or splashed, or with which any offensive or noxious matter may have been brought into contact during the process of slaughtering or dressing in such slaughter-house, to be thoroughly washed and cleansed within *three hours* after the completion of such slaughtering or dressing.

17. An occupier of a slaughter-house shall not at any time keep any dog or poultry, or cause or suffer any dog or poultry to be kept in such slaughter-house.

He shall not at any time keep, or cause or suffer to be kept in such slaughter-house any animal of which the flesh may be used for the food of man, unless such animal be so kept in preparation for the slaughtering thereof upon the premises.

He shall not at any time keep any cattle, or cause or suffer any cattle to be kept in such slaughter-house for a longer period than may be necessary for the purpose of preparing such cattle for the process of slaughtering.

If, at any time, he keep, or suffer to be kept in such slaughter-house any cattle for the purpose of preparation for the process of slaughtering, he shall not cause or suffer such cattle to be confined elsewhere than in the pounds, stalls pens or lairs provided on the premises.

18. Every occupier of a slaughter-house shall cause the hide or skin, fat, and offal of every animal slaughtered on the premises to be removed therefrom within *twenty-four hours* after the completion of the slaughtering of such animal.
19. Every occupier of a slaughter-house shall cause the means of water supply provided in or in connection with such slaughter-house to be kept at all times

in proper order and efficient action, and shall provide for use on the premises a sufficient supply of water for the purpose of thoroughly washing and cleansing the floor or pavement, every part of the internal surface of every wall of such slaughter-house, and every vessel or receptacle which may be used for the collection or removal from such slaughter-house of any blood, manure, garbage, or other refuse products.

20. Every occupier of a slaughter-house shall provide vessels or receptacles, properly constructed of galvanised iron or other non-absorbent material, and furnished with closely fitting covers, sufficient for the collection or removal from such slaughter-house of any blood, manure, garbage, or other refuse products.

He shall forthwith upon the completion of the slaughtering of any cattle or the dressing of any carcase in such slaughter-house cause such blood, manure, garbage, or other refuse products of the slaughtering to be collected and deposited in such vessels or receptacles.

He shall cause every vessel, receptacle, instrument or appliance belonging to and used in such slaughter-house to be thoroughly cleansed immediately after being used, and shall cause every such vessel, receptacle, instrument or appliance, when not in actual use, to be kept thoroughly clean.

He shall cause the contents of any vessel or receptacle containing filth to be removed from the premises at least once in every twenty-four hours.

#### *Penalties*

21. Every person who shall offend against any of the foregoing byelaws for the registering and inspection of slaughter-houses, for preventing cruelty therein, for keeping the same in a cleanly and proper state, for removing filth at least once in every twenty-four hours, and for requiring such slaughter-houses to be provided with a sufficient supply of water, shall be liable for every such offence to a penalty of *five pounds* and in the case of continuing nuisance to a penalty of *ten shillings* for every day during which such nuisance shall be continued after the conviction of the first offence:

Provided nevertheless, that the justices or court before whom any complaint may be made or any proceedings may be taken in respect of any such offence may, if they think fit, adjudge the payment as a penalty of any sum less than the full amount of the penalty imposed by this byelaw.

#### *Repeal of Byelaws*

22. From and after the date of the confirmation of these byelaws, the byelaws relating to slaughter-houses which were made by the Guardians of the Poor of the Havant Union, acting as the Rural Sanitary Authority, on the eighteenth day of October in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety four and were confirmed by the Local Government Board on the twenty-seventh day of

November in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety four, shall so far as they are now in force in the District be repealed.

The common seal of the Rural District Council of Havant was hereunto affixed at a Meeting of the Council held on the tenth day of September one thousand nine hundred and twenty-five, in the presence of

Chairman

Clerk to the Council

Allowed by the Minister  
Of Health this twentieth  
Day of July 1926.

Signed

Assistant Secretary  
Ministry of Health