



Slaughterhouses Act 1974

1974 CHAPTER 3

PART II

SLAUGHTER OF ANIMALS

Supplemental

45 Interpretation of Part II.

In this Part of this Act, unless the context otherwise requires—

“contravention” in relation to a provision of this Part of this Act or of any regulations made under it, includes a failure to comply with that provision;

[^{F1}“district”, in relation to a local authority who are the council of a Welsh county or county borough, means that county or county borough;]

“horse” includes ass and mule;

“knacker’s yard” means any building, premises or place used in connection with the business of killing animals whose flesh is not intended for sale for human consumption;

“local authority” means the council [^{F2} of a Welsh county or county borough or]of a district or London borough or the Common Council of the City of London;

“the Minister” means the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food;

“slaughterhouse” means any building, premises or place used in connection with the business of killing animals whose flesh is intended for sale for human consumption.

Textual Amendments

- F1** Definition of “district” inserted (1.4.1996) by 1994 c. 19, s. 66(6), **Sch. 16**, para. 43(3)(a), (with ss. 54(5)(7), 55(5)); S.I. 1996/396, art. 4, **Sch. 2**

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F2 In s. 45 words inserted (1.4.1996) by 1994 c. 19, s. 66(6), **Sch. 16**, para. 43(3)(b), (with ss. 54(5)(7), 55(5)); S.I. 1996/396, art. 4, **Sch. 2**

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Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- s. 4(3)(a) excluded by SI 1975/1023 art. 4A(2) (as inserted) by [S.I. 2012/1957 art. 3](#)
- s. 4(3)(b) excluded by SI 1975/1023 art. 4A(3) (as inserted) by [S.I. 2012/1957 art. 3](#)
- s. 4(5A) inserted by [2003 c. 44 Sch. 32 para. 158](#)