



Slaughter of Animals (Scotland) Act 1980

1980 CHAPTER 13

15 Licensing of slaughtermen and knackers.

- (1) No animal shall be slaughtered or stunned in a slaughterhouse or knacker's yard by any person except in accordance with a licence granted by a local authority and in force under this section:

Provided that this subsection shall not apply with respect to the slaughter, under the Diseases of Animals Act 1950, of an animal by an officer of, or person employed by, the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food or the Secretary of State.

- (2) A licence under this section shall not be granted except to a male person of the age of eighteen years or upwards who is, in the opinion of the local authority, a fit and proper person to hold such a licence.
- (3) A licence under this section—
- shall be valid only in the area of the local authority granting the licence and for a period not exceeding twelve months;
 - may be renewed from time to time at the discretion of the local authority;
 - may be suspended at any time by the local authority for such period as they may determine; and
 - may be revoked by the local authority where they are satisfied that the person is no longer a fit and proper person to hold such a licence.
- (4) Any person aggrieved by the refusal of the local authority to grant a licence under this section or by the suspension or revocation by the local authority of such a licence may appeal to the sheriff against such refusal, suspension, or revocation, within one month of the intimation thereof, and the decision of the sheriff shall be final.
- (5) A fee may be charged by the local authority for each such licence and a fee for every renewal thereof.
- (6) In any application for a licence under this section the person making the application shall state whether—
- he holds any such licence in any area or areas other than that to which his application relates and the names of any such areas ;

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- (b) he has been refused, or has had suspended or revoked, any such licence in any other area and, if so, the name of that area ; and
- (c) he has any similar application pending in any other area and, if so, the name of that area.