

81-9-201. Meat establishment license -- fees and renewals.

1. It is unlawful for a person, firm, or corporation to engage in the business of slaughtering livestock or poultry or processing, storing, or wholesaling the meat products of either without having a license issued by the department. The department shall establish an annual fee for a license issued under this section, to be paid into the state special revenue fund for the use of the department.

The general process for an official grant of inspection follows these guidelines:

- ❖ Written request for inspection sent to the Helena office
- ❖ Application for inspection is sent to plant owner
- ❖ Application for inspection is completed and returned to the Helena office
- ❖ An establishment number is assigned
- ❖ Communicate and work with area State Meat and Poultry Inspector
- ❖ Review of facility by State Supervisor
- ❖ Address any items covered by state Supervisor, complete paperwork with inspector
- ❖ HACCP training, complete SSOP and HACCP plans
- ❖ Final Review
- ❖ Grant of Inspection

The Montana State Meat & Poultry Inspection staff is here to assist you if you have questions or need additional information. Please feel free to contact me at (406) 444-5202 or e-mail me at tbridges@mt.gov