

Republic of the Philippines
Province of Ilocos Sur
MUNICIPALITY OF VIGAN

OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN

**Ordinance No. 6
Series of 1993**

**“ORDINANCE ON ANTE – MORTEM INSPECTION AT THE VIGAN
SLAUGHTERHOUSE.”**

Section 1. This shall be known as an ‘ORDINANCE ON ANTE – MORTEM INSPECTION AT THE VIGAN SLAUGHTERHOUSE.’

Section 2. Definition of Terms – For purposes of this ordinance, the following words, phrases and terms shall be construed to mean:

- 1.1. Deputized Meat Inspector – an employee preferably Agricultural Technician of the Department of Agriculture trained in meat inspection work and authorized to do the work of a regular meat inspector.
- 1.2. Downer - means crippled or weakened animal unable to stand or showing abnormal locomotion. It shall be treated as ‘suspect’.
- 1.3. Emergency Slaughter – means slaughter of an animal necessitated by a previous accident such as bone fracture, danger or suffocation.
- 1.4. Suspect – animals suspected of being affected with a disease or condition which may require its condemnation, in whole or in part when slaughtered, and is subject to further examination to determine its disposal.

Section 3. Rules

- 3.1 An Ante – Mortem examination and inspection shall be made on all livestock and poultry about to be slaughtered at the Municipal Slaughterhouse before the slaughter shall be allowed. Slaughter animals shall be corralled for at least 24 hours.
 - a. An animal is released for slaughter without any restriction when the ante mortem inspection has revealed no evidence of any abnormal condition or disease.
- 3.2 Any animal plainly showing on ante – mortem inspection any disease or condition that under the National Meat Inspection System shall cause condemnation of its carcass shall be condemned and isolated immediately and disposed of under the supervision of the RHU and Meat Inspector.
- 3.3 Any animal termed downer not otherwise condemned under the provisions of the National Meat Inspection System shall also be considered suspect.
 - a. Any animal marked suspect which in the opinion of the meat inspector or deputized meat inspector spread infectious animal disease, shall be reported to the Provincial Veterinarian for final judgment.
 - b. All boars which are matured sexually and swine stags which show evidence of recent castration shall be marked and treated as suspect.

Section 4. Dead animals shall be condemned outright and the meat inspector shall report and coordinate with the RHU for proper disposal.

Section 5. Offenses and Penalties

1.1. It shall be unlawful for any person natural or juridical to give pay or offer, directly or indirectly to any inspector authorized to perform any duty prescribed by this ordinance, any monetary consideration or things of value with intent to influence such inspector in the discharge of his duties as to violate directly or indirectly any provisions of this ordinance. It shall likewise be unlawful under this ordinance for any inspector to accept from any person or agent, any gift among or other things of value given with intent to influence his official actions.

- a. Any violation of this ordinance shall be punishable by a fine of Five Hundred Pesos (P500.00) and or imprisonment of seven (7) days or both at the discretion of the court.
- b. Any meat inspector or deputized meat inspector found violating any provision of this ordinance shall be liable to prosecution and upon conviction shall suffer the penalty provided for in the Revised Administrative Code.

Section 6. Effectivity – This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its approval.

Approved: June 14, 1993, Vigan, Ilocos Sur.

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