

# FOOD PROCESSING AND SERVICE

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## DAIRIES

### 1. Types of Activities Regulated

A license is required for the operation of a dairy and application forms are available from the Montana Department of Livestock (DOL). Prior to construction, remodeling, or relocation of a dairy, detailed plans must be submitted to the DOL for review and approval. Also prior to construction, the applicant must obtain a wastewater discharge permit from the Montana Department of Environmental Quality for any discharge of wastes (see p. 208) and an air quality permit for the release of air pollutants (see p. 35). Local health agencies may investigate or sample the dairies in their area.

Statute: 81-22-201 through 81-22-209, 81-22-305, and 81-22-403, MCA

Contact: DEPARTMENT OF LIVESTOCK  
*Milk and Egg Bureau*

### 2. Fees

The license fees for a dairy range from \$5 to \$50.

## SLAUGHTERHOUSES - MEATPACKING PLANTS

### 1. Types of Activities Regulated

An annual license is required from the Montana Department of Livestock (DOL) to operate a slaughterhouse, meat packing house, mobile slaughter facility or meat storage facility. Plans for remodeling or new structures must be approved by the DOL prior to construction. The Montana Department of Environmental Quality retains jurisdiction over ensuring that the facility has an approved water supply and that wastes are disposed of properly.

Statute: 81-9-201, 81-9-202, 81-9-240, and 81-9-241, MCA

Rule: ARM 32.6.701-32.6.712

Contact: DEPARTMENT OF LIVESTOCK  
*Meat and Poultry Inspection Bureau*