

## AGENCY RULE REPORT

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### NAME AND ADDRESS OF AGENCY:

Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry  
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### TITLE AND NUMBER OF RULES:

Title 35. Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry

Chapter 37. Food Safety

Subchapter 3. Meat Inspection

Part 1. General Provisions

35:37-3-1. Incorporation by reference of federal meat inspection regulations [AMENDED]

Subchapter 5. Poultry Products Inspection

Part 1. General Provisions

35:37-5-1. Definitions and incorporation by reference of federal poultry inspection regulations [AMENDED]

35:37-5-2. Deleted regulations and exemptions [AMENDED]

Subchapter 7. Construction Standards for Meat Packing Plants

Part 1. Description of Plans and Specifications Required

35:37-7-1. Submission of plans [AMENDED]

35:37-7-2. Plot plan [AMENDED]

35:37-7-3. Floor plans [AMENDED]

35:37-7-4. Plumbing plan [AMENDED]

35:37-7-5. Rearrangement of operations or activities [AMENDED]

35:37-7-6. Approval of plans and specifications [AMENDED]

35:37-7-7. Changes and revisions [AMENDED]

35:37-7-8. Use of competent architect or engineer [AMENDED]

Part 3. Location of Establishments [REVOKED]

35:37-7-9. Site [REVOKED]

35:37-7-10. Accessibility [REVOKED]

35:37-7-11. Separation [REVOKED]

35:37-7-12. Retail business on premises [REVOKED]

35:37-7-13. Expansion [REVOKED]

35:37-7-14. Inedible products departments and grease catch basins [REVOKED]

Part 5. Water Supply, Plant Drainage, and Sewage Disposal System [REVOKED]

35:37-7-15. Potable water supply [REVOKED]

35:37-7-16. Nonpotable water supply [REVOKED]

35:37-7-17. Vacuum breakers [REVOKED]

35:37-7-18. Plant waste disposal [REVOKED]

35:37-7-19. Disposal of paunch contents, hog hair, feathers, blood, and similar waste material [REVOKED]

- 35:37-7-20. Acceptance of plant waste system [REVOKED]
- 35:37-7-21. Catch basins for grease recovery [REVOKED]
- 35:37-7-22. Plant drainage [REVOKED]
- Part 7. Plant Construction [REVOKED]
  - 35:37-7-23. Minimum requirements [REVOKED]
  - 35:37-7-24. Materials [REVOKED]
  - 35:37-7-25. Floors [REVOKED]
  - 35:37-7-26. Coves [REVOKED]
  - 35:37-7-27. Interior walls [REVOKED]
  - 35:37-7-28. Ceilings [REVOKED]
  - 35:37-7-29. Window ledges [REVOKED]
  - 35:37-7-30. Doorways and doors [REVOKED]
  - 35:37-7-31. Screens and insect control [REVOKED]
  - 35:37-7-32. Rodent proofing [REVOKED]
  - 35:37-7-33. Interior woodwork [REVOKED]
  - 35:37-7-34. Stairs [REVOKED]
  - 35:37-7-35. Lighting [REVOKED]
  - 35:37-7-36. Ventilation [REVOKED]
  - 35:37-7-37. Refrigeration [REVOKED]
  - 35:37-7-38. Equipment [REVOKED]
- Part 11. Hand Washing Facilities, Sterilizers, Drinking Fountains, and Connections for Cleanup Hoses [REVOKED]
  - 35:37-7-39. Lavatories [REVOKED]
  - 35:37-7-40. Sanitizers [REVOKED]
  - 35:37-7-41. Drinking fountains [REVOKED]
  - 35:37-7-42. Hose connections [REVOKED]
  - 35:37-7-43. Location of facilities [REVOKED]
- Part 13. Facilities for Processing Edible Product [REVOKED]
  - 35:37-7-44. Size of departments [REVOKED]
  - 35:37-7-45. Flow of operations [REVOKED]
  - 35:37-7-46. Perishable product departments [REVOKED]
  - 35:37-7-47. Freezers [REVOKED]
  - 35:37-7-48. Incubation room for canned product [REVOKED]
  - 35:37-7-49. Dry storage space for supplies [REVOKED]
  - 35:37-7-50. Truckways within the plant [REVOKED]
  - 35:37-7-51. Vehicular areas for trucks and railroad track gutters [REVOKED]
- Part 15 - Design, Equipment, and Operation of Meat and Poultry Slaughtering Departments and Related Areas [REVOKED]
  - 35:37-7-52. Meat [REVOKED]
  - 35:37-7-53. Poultry [REVOKED]
  - 35:37-7-54. Facilities for handling animal or fish food [REVOKED]
  - 35:37-7-55. Facilities for handling meat and poultry inedible and condemned materials [REVOKED]
- Part 17. Required Cattle Slaughtering Facilities [REVOKED]
  - 35:37-7-56. Cattle dressing layouts [REVOKED]
  - 35:37-7-57. Requirements for various types of cattle slaughtering layouts [REVOKED]

- 35:37-7-58. Requirements for double-rail and single-rail hang-off dressing systems [REVOKED]
- 35:37-7-59. Requirements for "on-the-rail" dressing systems [REVOKED]
- 35:37-7-60. Viscera inspection facilities [REVOKED]
- Part 19. Required Sheep, Goat, and Calf Slaughtering Facilities [REVOKED]
  - 35:37-7-61. Bleeding rail [REVOKED]
  - 35:37-7-62. Dressing rails [REVOKED]
  - 35:37-7-63. Dressing space and operations [REVOKED]
  - 35:37-7-64. Calf washing facilities [REVOKED]
  - 35:37-7-65. Calf head handling facilities [REVOKED]
  - 35:37-7-66. Carcass washing facilities [REVOKED]
  - 35:37-7-67. Viscera, head, and carcass inspection facilities [REVOKED]
  - 35:37-7-68. Floor drainage [REVOKED]
- Part 21. Required Hog Slaughtering Facilities for Large Plants that Scald Hogs [REVOKED]
  - 35:37-7-69. Location of certain operations [REVOKED]
  - 35:37-7-70. Scalding vat [REVOKED]
  - 35:37-7-71. Space for operations and truckways [REVOKED]
  - 35:37-7-72. Floor drainage [REVOKED]
  - 35:37-7-73. Shaving and carcass washing facilities [REVOKED]
  - 35:37-7-74. Inspection facilities needed for very large slaughter layouts [REVOKED]
- Part 23. Required Hog Slaughtering Facilities for Small Plants [REVOKED]
  - 35:37-7-75. General specifications [REVOKED]
- Part 25. Required Poultry Slaughtering Facilities [REVOKED]
  - 35:37-7-76. Eviscerating and chilling areas [REVOKED]
  - 35:37-7-77. Conveyors [REVOKED]
  - 35:37-7-78. Facilities for processing giblets [REVOKED]
  - 35:37-7-79. Facilities for handling inedible offal [REVOKED]
  - 35:37-7-80. Semi-dry poultry offal system [REVOKED]
- Part 27. Welfare Facilities for Plant Employees [REVOKED]
  - 35:37-7-81. Dressing rooms and equipment [REVOKED]
  - 35:37-7-82. Lockers [REVOKED]
  - 35:37-7-83. Shower-bath facilities [REVOKED]
  - 35:37-7-84. Toilet rooms [REVOKED]
  - 35:37-7-85. Handwashing facilities [REVOKED]
  - 35:37-7-86. Ventilation of welfare rooms [REVOKED]
  - 35:37-7-87. Lunch facilities [REVOKED]
  - 35:37-7-88. Welfare facilities for employees working in inedible product areas [REVOKED]
- Part 29. Inspector's Office and Welfare Facilities [REVOKED]
  - 35:37-7-89. General [REVOKED]
  - 35:37-7-90. Dressing facilities [REVOKED]
  - 35:37-7-91. Toilet room [REVOKED]
  - 35:37-7-92. Shower-bath facilities [REVOKED]
  - 35:37-7-93. Lighting and ventilation [REVOKED]
- Part 31. Suggested Notes on Specifications to Accompany Drawings [REVOKED]
  - 35:37-7-94. Use of suggested notes [REVOKED]

- 35:37-7-95. Building construction [REVOKED]
- 35:37-7-96. Water supply, plumbing, drainage, and refrigeration [REVOKED]
- 35:37-7-97. Equipment [REVOKED]
- 35:37-7-98. Operations [REVOKED]
- 35:37-7-99. General [REVOKED]

**STATUTORY AUTHORITY FOR RULES:**

Okla. Const., Art. 6, § 31; State Board of Agriculture; 2 O.S. § 2-4(A)(2); 2 O.S. 6-181 et seq.; and 2 O.S. § 6-251 et seq.

**BRIEF SUMMARY OF THE CONTENT OF THE RULES:**

The proposed amendments update citations to the Code of Federal Regulations and revise construction standards for meat packing plants by updating contact information, reduce paperwork submitted during the approval process, make minor grammatical corrections, and delete unnecessary or outdated regulations.

**NEED FOR ADOPTED RULES:**

The proposed rules amendments are needed to update food safety rules generally including, but not limited to, updates for citations to the Code of Federal Regulations and revisions of construction standards for meat packing plants, reduction of paperwork submitted during the approval process, minor grammatical corrections, and the deletion of unnecessary or outdated regulations.

**DATE AND LOCATION OF MEETING WHERE RULES WERE ADOPTED:**

January 24, 2017  
Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry  
2800 North Lincoln Boulevard  
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**SUMMARY OF COMMENTS AND EXPLANATIONS OF CHANGES OR LACK OF ANY CHANGE MADE IN ADOPTED RULES AS A RESULT OF COMMENTS RECEIVED:**

None received.

**LIST OF PERSONS OR ORGANIZATIONS WHO APPEARED OR REGISTERED FOR OR AGAINST THE ADOPTED RULE AT PUBLIC HEARING:**

None.

**RULE IMPACT STATEMENT:**

See Attachment I.

**RECORDED VOTE OF BOARD OF AGRICULTURE:**

Aye	Jim Reese
Aye	Ed Hurliman
Aye	Jay Franklin
Aye	Joe Farris
Aye	Karen Krehbiel