

REQUEST QUESTIONS	DEPARTMENTAL RESPONSE
<p>Q1</p> <p>a) Which schools does in the Wigan Area does your reply refer ?</p> <p>b) How do you know the meat/poultry has not been subject to religious slaughter at the time of slaughter?</p> <p>c) Do you conduct checks or are you reliant on the relies from your caterers?</p> <p>d) Do your catering service providers buy in religiously slaughtered meat/poultry as per demand? If so can I please have a copy of those religiously slaughtered meat requests/demands or copies of order requests that reflect those specific requests?</p> <p>e) Is it possible to have a breakdown of each school's requests for religiously slaughtered meals for each of the last 3 months?</p>	<p>There are only Primary 65 High Schools 11 and 6 special schools have MetroFresh as their Catering Provider.</p> <p>All of the Halal meat products that are purchased are stunned</p> <p>We only purchase from 1 3rd party supplier but come from a numbers of manufacturers</p> <p>N/A</p>
<p>Q2-3 - What assurances are there in place to ensure religiously slaughtered meat does ente the food chain at your schools as provided by your catering service providers?</p>	<p>We would treat pupils with sensitive requirement like all other pupils who have sensitive requirements and segregate equipment and foods to avoid cross contamination. All Halal products are delivered frozen</p>
<p>Q5 Are your catering service providers able to provide the Abattoir/Slaughter Codes of the Meat / poultry products either provided frozen or as raw fresh products (products which have not been subject to further processing i.e. coated, marinated when purchased). These will be available from the caterer's suppliers (I do not require the supplier details only the slaughter codes of the products)? If not why not?</p>	<p>Supplier's Product Code : TS468</p> <p>Supplier's Product Code : 285 136</p>
<p>Q6 Do you stipulate in your catering service provider contracts that Religiously Slaughtered food should not be served to pupils who do not require it for dietary or religious reason? If so, how do you enforce this? If not, why not?</p>	<p>MetroFresh Policy and stated on our website: "We also appreciate that religious belief can affect what a person can eat. Our Halal products are only purchased with an approved HALAL Certification. All dishes in high schools that are prepared with HALAL products are clearly labelled at the point of sale"</p>
<p>Q7 This question was specific as to whether you as Wigan Metropolitan Borough Council provided any education to pupils regarding Religious Slaughter practises whether stunned or unstunned and was not a question to determine if your catering service providers provided any education that contributed to any school curriculum. Therefore this question is again being asked specifically to Wigan Bourough Council.</p>	<p>We are the catering provider; we are unaware of what the children in Wigan schools are taught.</p>
<p>Has any poultry product whether fresh or frozen served at your schools been subject to religious slaughter at the time of slaughter and served to pupils who do not require any religious or dietary requirement other than those who have requested those specific requirements?</p>	<p>No. In all schools only customers with a special dietary requirement would be given an opportunity to discuss their preferred menu.</p>