

**Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine**

**Trader Notice MH 18/2018**

**To: Food Business Operators at Slaughtering Establishments Approved by the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine**

**Survey on Use of CCTV in Slaughtering Establishments in Ireland**

A weblink to access a survey on the use of CCTV in slaughterhouses in Ireland is contained below and has been circulated to the management of all slaughterhouses in Ireland under the control of DAFM.

The survey can be accessed at: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/VTCJN3Q>

The aim of this survey, which focuses on the use of CCTV systems in slaughterhouses in Ireland, is to help inform the development of policy by the Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine (DAFM) in relation to the protection of the welfare of animals at the time of slaughter.

By completing the survey you will have an opportunity to make your views known in relation to this important issue, and it would be greatly appreciated if you could take the time (no more than 10 minutes) to complete it carefully. Any data provided will be kept strictly confidential and stored securely. All results will be anonymised and no personal details or plant details will be used for any other purpose beyond this survey. Once results have been collated, all individual responses will be securely disposed of. The survey does contain a facility for you to identify the company you work for, but this is not mandatory and should be completed only if you wish to do so.

We kindly request that the survey be completed by the 11<sup>th</sup> December.

*Veterinary Public Health Policy Division*

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