

CERTIFICATION TERMINATED

SANHA came into being two decades ago to address new challenges of Halaal regulation in the rapidly-changing landscape of a post-apartheid, liberated South Africa. Alhamdulillah, from that humble beginning, SANHA currently certifies over 1500 establishments in South Africa, Pakistan, Oman, West Africa, Nigeria, Ivory Coast, UAE, Europe & India. These range from abattoirs, food and beverage manufacturers, bakeries and dairies, food ingredient and flavour manufacturers, meat processors, restaurants and the hospitality industry. Multinational corporations as well as cottage industries are included amongst the vast array of SANHA Halaal Certified companies.

These companies, and indeed all enterprises, are made up of people skilled in various disciplines as entrepreneurs, financial experts, managers, professionals, workers, suppliers and customers. Since a company has the characteristics of a person, its progress is the same as the cycle of life. It has its birth, takes the first faltering steps of infancy to adolescence and the exuberance of youth. Then comes maturity, adulthood, wisdom of age, until the ravages of time takes its toll leading to decline and demise.

Therefore, the number of companies certified does not and cannot remain static. New companies come on board on an ongoing basis and provide counter balance and impetus against those that drop out for a variety of reasons. Just as occasions of birth and demise are announced within a family so too with companies certified by us via announcements on our website, social and print media generally and community noticeboards where necessary.

On many an occasion, we have been asked as to whether the Halaal status of the establishment or product changes with the termination of the certification? Does it automatically become Haraam once the SANHA certificate, decals and marks of Halaal assurance are removed? Most definitely not so. To make lawful (Halaal) and unlawful (Haraam) is the right of Allah Ta'ala alone. No human can usurp this right as it would be akin to ascribing a partner to Allah Ta'ala.

What we impress upon the community is the fact that under our certification process, through comprehensive contractual agreements, full disclosures of ingredients, staff supervision, unfettered access to premises, records and regular inspections testimony to the Halaal status is attested to by our Ulama. However, once these conditions of auditing and monitoring are no longer available or possible, then responsibility for Halaal assurance cannot be undertaken, as the integrity of the

process is compromised. As our announcement is an advisory, it does not impinge on individual's right to undertake his own enquiry for one's peace of mind and / or continued assurance.

There are sound reasons for the termination of every certification. We provide a glossary of the terms used in our announcements.

1. Termination due to business closure

The business notifies us of closure. An example of this would be the closure of two poultry plants in the Kwa Zulu Natal in the face of rising labour costs and dumping of low-priced imported poultry from Brazil.

2. Termination by mutual agreement

A mutually agreed parting of ways by either party. An example of this would be a yoghurt manufacturer who for lower manufacturing cost considerations etc wishes to replace the Halaal stabiliser with a non-Halaal gelatine derived from non-halal slaughtered animals.

3. Termination due to change of ownership

Our certification is not transferable and becomes null and void when ownership changes. We will not regard the place as automatically certified without a new agreement being entered into with the new owner if he does wish to pursue this.

4. Termination due to breach of contract

This step is undertaken when our contract conditions are breached on issues such as purchase of goods from non-approved suppliers, failure to honour financial arrangements failure to, apologise for transgressions and steps to avoid this for the future etc. However, this is usually preceded by a compliance order/s to rectify the situation. On very serious breaches such as allowing alcohol and Haraam meats on the premises and abuse of our supervisor/s, immediate termination could be undertaken without issuing a compliance notice for the breach.

Termination – it's the final result