
Specific part of neck cut when slaughtering

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In the name of Allaah, the Most Merciful, the Bestower of Mercy

Question: Is there a specific part in the neck which a person should cut when slaughtering?

Shaykh Abdul-Azeez ibn Baaz (رَحْمَةُ اللَّهِ)¹: Yes, the complete neck is where one should cut when slaughtering and sacrificing, its top and its bottom. However with regard to camels, the Sunnah (supererogatory act of worship following the example of the Prophet - peace be upon him) is to slaughter it by cutting the bottom of the neck. As for cows and sheep, the Sunnah is to slaughter it by cutting the top part of the neck so that you cut through the throat, oesophagus, and both carotid arteries and jugular veins.

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