



You must obtain a meat cutter license if you cut fresh beef, veal, lamb, and/or pork within a King County meat establishment.



How to get licensed

- Exam fee: \$105
- Annual license: \$79 – Renew it every year. All licenses expire on June 30th, regardless of the issue date.



Choose your path

1. Traditional meat cutter (Exam A)

Employed at a supermarket with 40 or more employees.

2. New meat cutter (Exam B)

Employed at a supermarket with less than 40 employees, non-traditional meat market, Halal meat market, or Kosher meat market.



Is your license expired?

Don't worry! Contact us to reactivate it and pay the annual fee to continue cutting confidently. You don't have to retake the exam.



The exam

You'll be tested on meat-cutting techniques, proper handling, sanitation, and essential code requirements.

Access the study guide:

kingcounty.gov/meat-cutter



We offer two options

1. In person exam

Email or call Environmental Health Services to schedule the exam.

2. Online exam

Email or call Environmental Health Services to register for the exam and take the test remotely. A valid email is required for the online exam.



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