

Advantages of Halal Certification?

1. Provides assurance that products and/or facilities comply with Halal requirements
2. Enhanced marketability of products
3. Guaranteed acceptance of products by the Muslim community globally

What Sectors can PJRFSI Certify to Halal?

PJRFSI has the expertise to certify the following sectors (facilities and products):

- Food manufacturing
- Food service (catering, restaurants)
- Cosmetics and Personal care
- Logistics
- Animal feed and ingredients
- Slaughter houses
- Animal welfare
- Pharmaceuticals

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Halal Certification

In Arabic 'Halal' means lawful or permitted. Halal is a part of Sharia law that guides the actions and behavior of Muslims similar to Kosher that contains the guiding principles of Jews. In the context of food, Halal is the dietary standard prescribed by Koran and practiced by Muslims all over the world. It is the religious duty of every Muslims to ensure that all foods, as well as non-food items like cosmetics and pharmaceuticals, are halal. Frequently, these products contain animal by-products or other ingredients that are not permissible for Muslims to eat or use on their bodies.

The market size of Halal industry is about US\$1.2 trillion (Global Halal Congress, 2010). Halal certification is not mandatory, but companies certified to Halal standard have a competitive advantage, particularly when the population of Muslims is on the rise globally (1.6 globally). Halal certification imposes stringent sanitation requirements complimentary to the HACCP program.

In general,

- Halal foods do not contain components that are not permitted by Sharia law.
- Produced using equipment or machinery that have been cleaned according to Islamic law.

All foods are considered Halal except the following:

- Alcoholic drinks and intoxicants
- Enzymes (microbial enzymes are permissible)
- Gelatin from non-Halal source (fish gelatin is Halal)
- Lard and tallow

- Non-Halal animal shortening
- Pork products
- Carnivorous animals, birds of prey and certain other animals
- Non-Halal animal fat

What is Halal Certification?

Halal certification is a process by which a recognized organization certifies products and or services offered by a company meet the specified halal standard. In the case of halal food certification, it follows the “farm to table” approach. This provides consumer confidence and prevents any confusion about the halal status of a product. Halal certificates are given to companies that meet the defined criteria.

Halal product certification system also involves testing and inspection activities. It is important to ensure the body offering the service (certification, testing, and consultancy) is competent and complies with stipulated requirements.

PJRFSI offers three types of Halal certifications:

- Products certification: Individual products can be certified; this includes the production process and ingredients used in the manufacturing of that particular product.
- Facility certification: Facilities producing products according to the Halal certification standards can also be certified.
- Retail premises such as restaurants can also be certified to assure food prepared and sold from the retail business is halal.

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