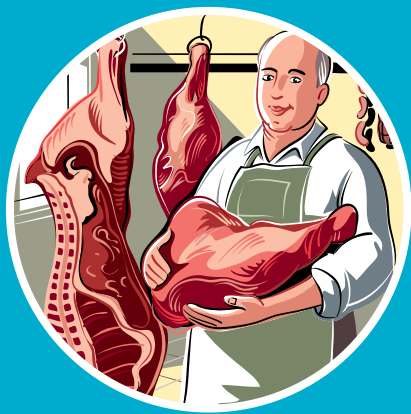
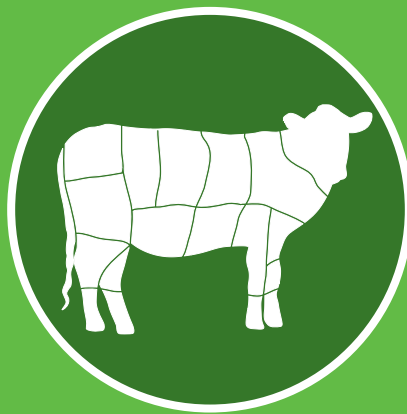


Why is this meat labeled “NOT FOR SALE”?

When livestock or poultry are slaughtered and processed by a Minnesota custom exempt processor, those products must be returned directly to the owner of the animal. The meat or poultry products will be labeled “NOT FOR SALE” by the processor.



Custom exempt processed products may not be sold or donated after processing. The person who owns the animal prior to slaughter must be the same person who will use the meat or poultry products, or share them with non-paying guests, after processing.



An animal can have more than one owner. Multiple people may purchase a share or portion of an animal and coordinate with the seller to have the animal processed at a custom exempt facility. The sale must be made while the animal is still alive.



If you purchase an animal that will be processed at a custom exempt facility, **the producer must provide an opportunity for you to view the animal you are purchasing prior to slaughter**, if you desire to do so.

Are there other ways to market local meat?

Yes! For more information on buying and selling meat and poultry products in Minnesota, contact the MDA Dairy and Meat Inspection Division at 651-201-6300.



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