Question 2045) - What is slaughter? What are the conditions for the Zabihah [slaughtered animal] to be Halal for Muslims?

A: It is to cut the vessels which are between the throat and jaws of the animal. For the Zabihah to be Halal, the animal must also be such whose flesh can be eaten; the slaughterer must be a Muslim or Kitabi [Christian /Jew]; and the slaughterer must recite Allaah?s Name at the time of slaughter. This is also called Zakah.

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