

The Findings

Not halal or cross-contamination risks, e.g. with pork and/or other non-halal products

A number of the 60 restaurants serve halal & non-Halal food including alcohol, so check with the restaurant before eating there regarding each item. Most of these restaurants insisted that they ensure no cross-contamination takes place between halal and non-halal food & drink, however take appropriate caution. I have only highlighted here the restaurants that are wholly or partially not halal or acknowledge cross-contamination risks and have been reviewed by a halal foodie with the non-veg food item/s concerned.

1. Arabica Bar & Kitchen: "I am afraid that our meats are not halal, they are locally sourced from suppliers within Borough Market and reared on British farms."
2. Aubaine: "Unfortunately no we don't have any halal products on the menu."
3. Banana Tree (all branches except Bayswater): "Due to the size & nature of our kitchens, we are unable to cook pork separately from other meat."
4. Chai Ki: stated "Unfortunately due to very busy environment we do not guarantee 100% on cross contamination and trace transfer occurring in our kitchen."
5. Christopher's: "Unfortunately we cannot guarantee non-contamination but we always do our best to prepare halal meat for our guests."
6. Laz Camden: "...lamb shish, chicken shish & the koftes are all halal. But lamb chops, lamb cutlets & chicken wings are not."
7. Marcus: "The [halal] lamb is butchered, stored & cooked in a kitchen where non-Halal meat is also prepared. To clarify, we are not a halal restaurant, but it just so happens that our lamb supplier is certified halal."
8. Novikov: "Our chefs are really careful in handling the food, however due to the large number we cater for, we cannot guarantee no cross contamination."
9. Thai Square: when asked if the halal & non-halal food is cooked separately, they stated "No, it is not".
10. Yosma: when asked if the halal & non-halal food is cooked separately, they stated "we do not cook the food separately."

Stunned, machine slaughter

Halal Consultations always stun and certify machine & hand slaughter chicken.

Halal Quality Control certify non-stunned & stunned, machine & hand slaughter chicken.

The named plants below, Frank Bird, Jack Brand, Highbury Poultry Farm Produce & Crown Chicken all confirmed their plants do stunned, machine slaughter.

DB Foods, Fairfax Meadow & Select Butchery are processors who buy from many suppliers. DB Foods confirmed that their main supplier is Highbury Poultry Farm Produce (who do stunned, machine slaughter), Fairfax Meadow stated that I would have to confirm the method of slaughter with the individual restaurant they supply, which I have done as shown below. Select Butchery confirmed that their suppliers mainly provide stunned, machine slaughtered chicken.

1. Amber: chicken supplier Jack Brand (via Direct Meats) is certified by Halal Consultations.
2. Benares: chicken supplier Highbury Poultry Farm Produce is certified by Halal Consultations.
3. Bo Drake: chicken suppliers Jack Brand & Highbury Poultry Farm Produce are certified by Halal Consultations.
4. Bombay Bustle: chicken supplier Highbury Poultry Farm Produce is certified by Halal Consultations.
5. Chai Naasto: chicken supplier Jones, The Butcher said that they buy from many suppliers including Crown Chicken & Frank Bird who are certified by Halal Consultations.
6. Chai Wu: chicken suppliers Crown Chicken & DB Foods are certified by Halal Consultations.
7. Chit Chaat Chai: chicken supplier Jones, The Butcher said that they buy from many suppliers including Crown Chicken & Frank Bird who are certified by Halal Consultations.
8. Chiquen: chicken supplier Jack Brand is certified by Halal Consultations.
9. Frangos: chicken supplier Jack Brand is certified by Halal Consultations.
10. Gourmet Burger Kitchen: chicken supplier DB Foods is certified by Halal Consultations.
11. Hankies Marble Arch: chicken supplier Crown Chicken is certified by Halal Consultations.
12. Honest Burgers: chicken supplier Fairfax Meadow is certified by Halal Europe. Honest Burgers confirmed that they purchase the stunned, machine slaughtered chicken from Fairfax Meadow.
13. Jamavar: chicken supplier Highbury Poultry Farm Produce is certified by Halal Consultations.
14. Le Bab: chicken supplier Jack Brand (via Direct Meats) is certified by Halal Consultations.
15. Ma' Plucker: chicken supplier Jack Brand (via Direct Meats) is certified by Halal Consultations.
16. Mother Clucker: chicken supplier Select Butchery is certified by Halal Quality Control.
17. Tamarind Kitchen: chicken supplier DB Foods is certified by Halal Consultations.
18. Tamarind of Mayfair: chicken supplier DB Foods is certified by Halal Consultations.
19. Zaika: chicken supplier DB Foods is certified by Halal Consultations.

Stunned, hand slaughter

Halal Authority Board, Halal Food Authority (HFA), Halal Monitoring Board, Islamic Institute of Jurisprudence, Shariah Council Britain & Sharia Halal Board certify stunned & non-stunned, hand slaughter chicken only – they do not approve machine slaughter.

1. Absurd Bird: chicken supplier I.H.P is certified by Sharia Halal Board.
2. Chicken Shop (Quentin Restaurants): undisclosed chicken supplier is HFA certified.
3. Dishoom: chicken supplier Iqbal Poultry is HFA certified.
4. KFC (halal branches): HFA certified.
5. Las Iguanas: undisclosed chicken supplier is certified by Halal Authority Board.
6. MEAT Gram (Covent Garden): chicken supplier Adros is HFA certified.
7. Nando's: chicken supplier Cargill Freemans of Newent is certified by Islamic Institute of Jurisprudence.
8. Penang: chicken supplier Osborne Poultry Products is certified by Halal Monitoring Board.
9. Red Iron Burgers: undisclosed chicken supplier is certified by Halal Monitoring Board.
10. Shake Shack: chicken supplier Iqbal Poultry is certified by Shariah Council of Britain.
11. Talli Joe: chicken supplier I.H.P (via Block & Cleaver) is certified by Sharia Halal Board.
12. The Frog: chicken supplier I.H.P is certified by Sharia Halal Board.

Non-stunned, hand slaughter

Halal Monitoring Committee (HMC) certify non-stunned, hand slaughter chicken only – they do not approve stunning or machine slaughter.

1. Bake Street: chicken supplier Aziziye Butcher is HMC certified.
2. Big Moe's Diner: HMC certified.
3. Brioche Burger: HMC certified.
4. Broccoli Pizza & Pasta: chicken suppliers Zabihah & Golden Delight Foods are HMC certified.
5. Burgo: HMC certified.
6. Five Lads: HMC certified.
7. Kobe Sizzlers: HMC certified.
8. Loaded Burgers: HMC certified.

9. Mamounia Lounge (Knightsbridge): chicken supplier Carna Meats is HMC certified.
10. Nusa Dua: chicken supplier Yasrib Halal Meat is HMC certified.
11. Pie Republic: HMC certified.
12. Pilau: chicken supplier Umar Halal Meat is HMC certified.
13. Proper Burgers: HMC certified.
14. Saffron Kitchen: HMC certified.
15. Thai N Pie: chicken supplier Bismillah Halal Meat is HMC certified.
16. The Gourmet Hut (Whitechapel): HMC certified.
17. The Great Chase: chicken supplier Halal Exotic Meats is HMC certified.
18. Two Buns: HMC certified.
19. Wazir Restaurant: HMC certified.

Note

Make sure you check for any changes at the restaurant before eating there; this information was collated between 7th February and 12th March 2018.