



FIRST ANNUAL FALL WORKSHOP

SEPTEMBER 11–12, 2026

THE MEATHOUSE • ANDOVER, SOUTH DAKOTA

FROM HARVEST TO PACKAGING: WHERE ARE YOU LOSING TIME AND MONEY?

An in-depth look into Slaughter, Processing, to Packaging

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 11



SLAUGHTER FLOOR EFFICIENCY

Learn best practices to improve animal handling, safety, and productivity from stunning through hide removal.



PROCESSING

Discover ways to improve workflow, increase yield, and get more value from every animal. Topics include trimmers vs. knives, cut sheets, grinding options, and more.



WRAPPING & PACKAGING

Explore different packaging methods to extend shelf life, improve presentation, and meet customer expectations.



LABELING

Learn how proper labeling and eye appeal build trust, meet regulations, and help your product stand out.



FREEZER ORGANIZATION

Practical strategies to organize your freezers, save time, reduce mistakes, and keep orders moving efficiently.



COST ANALYSIS

Identify hidden costs, reduce waste, and improve profitability at every step of the process.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12



LOCKER TOURS

Tour local facilities and see real-world solutions in action. Share ideas and learn from fellow processors. Come ready to ask questions and take notes!

2 DAYS OF EDUCATION, DEMOS & SOLUTIONS DESIGNED FOR MEAT PROCESSORS LIKE YOU!



HANDS-ON DEMOS

See the latest equipment and proven techniques in action.



IMPROVE EFFICIENCY

Process more product with fewer employees and smoother workflows.



INCREASE YIELDS

Learn strategies to reduce waste and get more value from every animal.



FOOD SAFETY & COMPLIANCE

Stay up to date on best practices, regulations, and inspection requirements.



NETWORK WITH PEERS

Connect with other processors, share ideas, and build lasting relationships.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

- Custom Processors
- USDA & State-Inspected Plants
- Small Meat Processors
- Owners
- Managers
- Supervisors



\$50.00
PER PERSON

OR

\$150.00
TOTAL PER PLANT

(Up to 3 attendees from the same plant)

INCLUDES MEALS, SNACKS, TRANSPORTATION TO AND FROM HOTEL (IF NEEDED) AND AN ABUNDANCE OF LITERATURE & RESOURCE MATERIALS!



HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS
HAMPTON INN & SUITES
ABERDEEN, SOUTH DAKOTA
Call 605-982-4240
to reserve your room!

HOW TO REGISTER



EMAIL: sdmeatprocessors@gmail.com



PHONE: 720-745-9205



MAIL: SDAMP
11847 Wildhorse Court
Rapid City, SD 57703

**IN DEPTH
SCHEDULE
TO FOLLOW!**

LEARN. NETWORK. IMPROVE. MAKE MORE MONEY. | We look forward to seeing you in Andover!



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★ REGISTRATION ★

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ATTENDEE INFORMATION

FIRST NAME *

LAST NAME *

COMPANY NAME *

ADDRESS *

CITY *

STATE *

South Dakota ▼

ZIP *

PHONE *

EMAIL *

ADDITIONAL ATTENDEE 1

FIRST NAME

EMAIL

ADDITIONAL ATTENDEE 2

FIRST NAME

EMAIL

HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT US?



READY TO REGISTER?

Complete the form and click the button
below to submit your registration.

REGISTRATION OPTIONS

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\$50.00
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Individual Registration
includes meals, snacks,
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Plant Registration
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the same plant.
Includes all of the above!

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Small Meat Processors



Owners



Managers



Supervisors



IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- Registration includes access to all sessions, hands-on demos, meals, snacks, and resource materials.
- Transportation to and from hotel (if needed) is included.
- Every attendee must Fill Out and Sign the Release of Liability Form.



SECURE YOUR SPOT TODAY!

Space is limited. Register early to save your seat!



QUESTIONS?

We're happy to help!
Contact the SDAMP office.



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SOUTH DAKOTA ASSOCIATION OF MEAT PROCESSORS (SDAMP)

EDUCATIONAL TRAINING WORKSHOP

**PARTICIPANT ACKNOWLEDGMENT, ASSUMPTION
OF RISK, RELEASE OF LIABILITY, AND
INDEMNIFICATION AGREEMENT**

Workshop Date(s): September 11-12, 2026

Participant Name: _____

Company: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Purpose

I understand that I am voluntarily participating in an **educational meat processing training workshop** held at **The Meathouse** and **sponsored by the South Dakota Association of Meat Processors (SDAMP)**. The purpose of this workshop is to provide educational instruction and hands-on training in meat processing techniques, equipment operation, knife skills, food safety, and related topics.

Acknowledgment of Risks

I acknowledge that this workshop includes demonstrations and hands-on participation involving commercial meat processing equipment, knives, cutting tools, saws, grinders, mixers, slicers, meat processing machinery, raw meat products, sanitation chemicals, and other equipment commonly found in commercial meat processing facilities.

I understand that participation may involve risks including, but not limited to:

- Cuts, punctures, and lacerations

- Knife injuries
- Injuries involving meat processing equipment
- Slips, trips, and falls
- Burns
- Crushing or pinching injuries
- Exposure to raw meat products
- Exposure to cleaning and sanitation chemicals
- Muscle strains
- Permanent disability
- Death

I understand that these hazards are inherent in meat processing activities and voluntarily choose to participate.

Voluntary Participation

I voluntarily assume all risks associated with my participation and agree to follow all safety instructions, policies, and procedures provided by instructors and staff.

I understand that I may choose not to participate in any activity that I believe is unsafe.

Release of Liability

In consideration for being permitted to participate, I hereby release, waive, discharge, and covenant not to sue:

- **The Meathouse**
- **The South Dakota Association of Meat Processors (SDAMP)**
- Their owners, directors, officers, members, instructors, employees, volunteers, agents, sponsors, affiliates, representatives, successors, and assigns

from any and all liability, claims, demands, actions, causes of action, damages, losses, costs, expenses, attorney fees, or judgments arising out of or related to my participation in

this workshop, including but not limited to bodily injury, illness, disability, property damage, or death, except where prohibited by applicable law.

I specifically acknowledge that neither The Meathouse nor the South Dakota Association of Meat Processors guarantees my safety while participating in this workshop.

Employer Responsibility

If I am attending on behalf of my employer, or if I register employees to attend this workshop, I acknowledge and agree that:

- My employer is solely responsible for determining whether participation is appropriate.
 - My employer is solely responsible for ensuring its employees are properly trained and physically capable of participating.
 - My employer is solely responsible for maintaining any workers' compensation, accident, medical, occupational accident, or liability insurance for its employees.
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Insurance

I understand and acknowledge that:

Neither The Meathouse nor the South Dakota Association of Meat Processors provides any form of insurance coverage for participants.

This includes, but is not limited to:

- Workers' Compensation
- Accident Insurance
- Medical Insurance
- Disability Insurance
- Liability Insurance

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Medical Expenses

I understand that if I suffer an injury or illness during the workshop, I am solely responsible for all medical costs, transportation, treatment, rehabilitation, lost wages, and any related expenses.

Indemnification

I agree to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless The Meathouse, the South Dakota Association of Meat Processors, and all of their owners, officers, instructors, employees, volunteers, members, agents, and representatives from any claims, demands, lawsuits, damages, expenses, or liabilities arising from my participation in this workshop or from my own acts or omissions.

Photography Release (Optional)

I authorize The Meathouse and the South Dakota Association of Meat Processors to photograph or video record me during the workshop for educational and promotional purposes.

☐ YES

☐ NO

Acknowledgment

By signing below, I certify that:

- I have read this entire Agreement.
- I fully understand its contents.
- I understand that I will be handling commercial meat processing equipment, sharp knives, and other potentially dangerous tools.
- I understand that I am voluntarily participating in this educational workshop.
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- I understand that I am giving up certain legal rights by signing this Agreement.
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Participant Signature

Printed Name: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Company (If Applicable)

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