

WEST VIRGINIA CODE: §19-9-36

§19-9-36. Rules for determining amount of indemnity.

The owners of animals euthanized as having tuberculosis shall be indemnified in an amount determined by the results of post-mortem inspection by the officer supervising the euthanasia, and the certificate of appraisal shall be credited according to the following rules:

(a) If an animal is found upon post-mortem inspection not to show lesions of tuberculosis, the carcass and other edible portions shall be passed as food, and the veterinarian shall sell them, including all accompanying parts, for the best price obtainable, which shall be paid to the owner and deducted from the amount of appraisal, and any remaining balance shall be paid to the owner; (b) if an animal is found upon post-mortem inspection to be infected with tuberculosis, and the lesions are such that the carcass and parts of the carcass are passed for food, the veterinarian shall sell them, including all accompanying parts, for the best price obtainable, which shall be paid to the owner and deducted from eighty percent of the amount of the appraisal, and any remaining balance shall be paid the owner; (c) if an animal upon post-mortem inspection is condemned for offal, the veterinarian shall sell the hide and offal for the best price obtainable, which price shall be paid to the owner and deducted from forty percent of the appraisal, and any remaining balance shall be paid to the owner.