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AGENDA

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

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Following is the department of agriculture's semi-annual rules development agenda for the period of January 1 through June 30, 2023. This document is being sent in compliance with RCW 34.05.314.

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SEMI-ANNUAL RULES DEVELOPMENT AGENDA
January 1 - June 30, 2023

WAC Chapter	Rule Title or Subject	Agency Contact	Tentative Timeline			Subject of Rule Making
			CR-101	CR-102 CR-105	CR-103	
TBD	Cannabis testing laboratory quality standards	Jessica Allenton Commodity Inspection Division Phone 360-902-1828 Jessica.Allenton@agr.wa.gov	January 2023	TBD	TBD	Establishes cannabis testing laboratory quality standards in rule as required by HB 1859 (chapter 135, Laws of 2022).
16-54	Animal importation	Jodi Jones Animal Services Division Phone 360-902-1889 jjones@agr.wa.gov	July 2019	TBD	TBD	Clarifies that dogs imported into Washington state must have a negative heartworm test prior to entry and allows horses to enter the state on an electronic equine certificate of veterinary inspection.
16-70	Animal diseases—Reporting	Jodi Jones Animal Services Division Phone 360-902-1889 jjones@agr.wa.gov	November 2022	February 2023	March 2023	Updates the diseases that need to be reported to the state veterinarian's office and the time frames associated with reporting.
16-80	Swine diseases in Washington state	Jodi Jones Animal Services Division Phone 360-902-1889 jjones@agr.wa.gov	November 2022	February 2023	March 2023	Removes reference to the department's laboratory for blood samples from Washington swine; updates United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) C.F.R. citations.
16-89	Sheep and goat diseases in Washington state	Jodi Jones Animal Services Division Phone 360-902-1889 jjones@agr.wa.gov	July 2019 November 2022	February 2023	March 2023	Removes Q fever testing requirements; updates USDA C.F.R. citations.
16-157	Organic food standards and certification	Brenda Book Organic Program Phone 360-902-2090 bbook@agr.wa.gov	Not applicable	Dec. 2022	July 2022	Adopts the December 14, 2022, version of the USDA organic regulations. Expedited rule making.
16-157	Organic food standards and certification	Brenda Book Organic Program Phone 360-902-2090 bbook@agr.wa.gov	October 2022	TBD	TBD	Updates the organic certification fee schedule.
16-160	Registration of materials for organic food production	Brenda Book Organic Program Phone 360-902-2090 bbook@agr.wa.gov	October 2019 May 2021	TBD	TBD	Increases registration fees and restructures the fee schedule. Updates the registered material logo.
16-161	Organic cannabis certification	Brenda Book Organic Program Phone 360-902-2090 bbook@agr.wa.gov	October 2017 August 2022	TBD	TBD	Establishes standards for the certification of organic cannabis and cannabis products in compliance with the National Organic Program.
16-228	General pesticide rules	Scott Nielsen Pesticide Compliance Phone 509-990-6518 scott.nielsen@agr.wa.gov	January 2020 September 2021	January 2023	March 2023	Modifies the penalty calculation for pesticide violations.

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16-302	General rules for seed certification	Paula Moore Seed Program Phone 509-249-6950 Paula.moore@agr.wa.gov	November 2022	TBD	TBD	Aligns standards for applicable crops with the Association of Official Seed Certifying Agencies newly adopted seed and field standards, creates a Pacific Northwest sod quality standard and tagging process, makes clerical changes to address inconsistencies between crop standards, removes references to repealed WAC, adds an application deadline for dryland seed production, and other clarifying changes.
16-325	Seed potato isolation district	Acting Program Manager Plant Services Program Phone 360-902-2062 nursery@agr.wa.gov	July 2021	TBD	TBD	Adds requirements for all lots entering the isolation district to test free of bacterial ring rot. Provides 48-hour notification to the department of all shipments entering the isolation district. Adds a new violation section regarding the disposition of material shipped into the isolation district violation. <i>Rule making initiated as a result of a petition.</i>
16-401	Nursery inspection fees	Acting Program Manager Plant Services Program Phone 360-902-2062 nursery@agr.wa.gov	February 2022	February 2023	March 2023	Updates fees in this chapter.
16-470	Japanese beetle quarantine	Greg Haubrich Pest Program Phone 360-902-2071 ghaubrich@agr.wa.gov	August 2021	June 2022	August 2022	Expands the internal quarantine area and amends the regulated articles that have restricted movement out of the quarantine area.
16-470	Nursery and pest fees	Acting Program Manager Plant Services Program Phone 360-902-2062 nursery@agr.wa.gov	February 2022	February 2023	March 2023	Updates fees charged by both the nursery/plant services program and plant pathology lab in this chapter.
16-482	Seed potato quarantine	Acting Program Manager Plant Services Program Phone 360-902-2062 nursery@agr.wa.gov	July 2021	TBD	TBD	Adds a section stating that potatoes entering the seed potato isolation district are subject to additional requirements under chapter 16-325 WAC. <i>Rule making initiated as a result of a petition.</i>
16-611	Nutrient management	Kyrre Flege Dairy Nutrient Management Program Phone 360-746-1249 kflege@agr.wa.gov	April 2023	TBD	TBD	Updates the recordkeeping requirements for dairy producers.

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