

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Ohio Department of Agriculture will hold a public hearing for the purpose of accepting testimony on the proposed amendments made to Plant Health rules located in the Ohio Administrative Code.

Plant Health – Spotted Lanternfly:

All rules are proposed as a new quarantine for the spotted lanternfly. The rules are: 901:5-56-01, 901:5-56-02, 901:5-56-03, 901:5-56-04, 901:5-56-05, and 901:5-56-06.

Plant Health – Rescind Rules:

All rules are proposed to be rescinded as the quarantine is no longer necessary. The rules are: 901:5-43-01, 901:5-58-01, 901:5-58-02, 901:5-58-03, 901:5-58-04, and 901:5-58-05.

The hearing will be held on:

September 14, 2021 at 11:00 A.M.
Ohio Department of Agriculture
Bromfield Administration Building
Hearing Room 129 (Seminar “A”)
8995 East Main Street
Reynoldsburg, Ohio 43068-3399.

The hearing will be conducted in accordance with Chapter 119 of the Revised Code. Any person affected by the no change rule package may appear and be heard in person, by his attorney, or both, may present his position, arguments, or contentions, orally or in writing, offer and examine witnesses, and present evidence tending to show that the no change rule package, if adopted or effectuated, will be unreasonable or unlawful.

More information on the rule package, including a business impact analysis and copies of the rules, can be found at <http://www.agri.ohio.gov/proposedrules/proposedrules.aspx> or by visiting the Register of Ohio at www.registerofohio.state.oh.us.

Individuals wishing to listen in during the public hearing may call (614) 721-2972 then enter 933748556#. Testimony will not be received telephonically.

Any person who wishes to present his position, arguments, or contentions in writing, other than at the public hearing, may do so by either mailing his or her written comments to the Ohio Department of Agriculture, c/o Legal Section, 8995 East Main Street, Reynoldsburg, Ohio 43068; by email at ecomments@agri.ohio.gov, or by transmitting by facsimile at (614) 995-4585. Written comments sent by mail shall be postmarked no later than the day of the hearing. Written comments transmitted by facsimile shall be received no later than 5:00 p.m. on the day of the hearing.

