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PUBLIC NOTICE

The Ohio Department of Agriculture will hold a public hearing for the purpose of accepting testimony on the proposed amendments made to Amusement Ride Safety Rules located in chapter 901:9-1 of the Administrative Code.

Amusement Ride Safety 5-Year Rule Review:

All of the rules have been reviewed in accordance with the 5-year rule review and have been amended to update the corresponding Ohio Revised Code sections.

Rule 901:9-1-05 sets forth the required maintenance procedures for amusement rides.

Rule 901:9-1-10 requires that aquatic devices shall be approved by local building authorities and other regulatory authorities with jurisdiction prior to construction or modification.

Rule 901:9-1-11 sets forth defined terms pertaining to aquatic devices.

Rule 901:9-1-12 requires operators to comply, at a minimum, with the manufacturer's manual requirements.

Rule 901:9-1-12.1 sets forth the requirements of a "lifeguard", a "shallow water lifeguard" and an "attendant".

Rule 901:9-1-13 sets forth safety standards for wave pools.

Rule 901:9-1-15 sets forth standards for water quality in aquatic devices when treating the water with non-chemical methods.

Rule 901:9-1-16 sets forth standards for general safety in aquatic device areas.

Rule 901:9-1-17 sets forth standards for general safety at water slides.

Rule 901:9-1-18 sets forth standards for safety at lazy rivers.

Rule 901:9-1-19 sets forth standards for safety at water coasters.

Rule 901:9-1-20 sets forth required waterpark signage.

Rule 901:9-1-48 sets forth meetings of the advisory council on amusement ride safety.

Rule 901:9-1-51 outlines the use of multiple vehicle safety systems for all permanent, portable, and water coasters.

The hearing will be held on:

October 27, 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,



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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 https://agri.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/oda/divisions/legal-office/Admin-Rules 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 763444989#. 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.

