



NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

A public hearing will be held by the Ohio Department of Agriculture on May 23, 2016 at 10 a.m., in Room 133, in the Bromfield Administration Building, located at 8995 East Main Street, Reynoldsburg, Ohio 43068. The purpose of the hearing is to solicit public comment on the following proposed rules:

901-5-01 titled “Definitions” is being amended in order to define “Department” and “Director.”

901-5-03 titled “Requirements for membership certificates” is being amended in order to make stylistic changes.

901-5-04 titled “Declaration of candidacy for society director” is being amended in order to allow the secretary of a society to publish the filing requirements on the society’s website in addition to the annual premium list and newspaper.

901-5-05 titled “Terms of office for society directors and officers and conduct of election” is being amended in order to allow election judges and clerks to be county board of election officials or members of a society so long as they remain impartial and avoid conflicts of interest.

901-5-06 titled “Reorganization meeting” is being amended in order to make minor stylistic changes.

901-5-07 titled “Reporting society finances and hearing procedures for withholding funds by the department” is being amended in order to make minor stylistic changes.

901-5-08 titled “Society constitution” is being amended in order to allow a society to publish the notice of an amendment on the society’s website in addition to being published in a newspaper.

901-5-09 titled “Payments to directors and officers of a society” is being amended in order to make stylistic changes.

901-5-10 titled “Authorized representative to the annual meeting with the director” is being amended in order to make minor stylistic changes.



901-5-11 titled “Approval of fair dates by the director” is being amended in order to permit a society to submit dates in which the society desires to hold its annual fair up to four years in advance.

901-5-13 titled “Health requirements for animals exhibited on fair grounds” is being amended in order to make stylistic changes.

901-5-15 titled “Prohibition on use of society facilities of employees to promote candidacy of directors” is being amended in order to make minor stylistic changes.

901-5-16 titled “Junior fair premiums” is being amended in order to make minor stylistic changes.

All interested parties are invited to attend the hearing and present oral and/or written testimony. Written comments may also be submitted to the attention of Hannah Smith-Carr, Senior Staff Counsel, Ohio Department of Agriculture, 8995 East Main Street, Reynoldsburg, Ohio 43068, or *via* email at ecomments@agri.ohio.gov, or *via* 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.