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Enclosed is a Transmittal Sheet and copies of the <u>Carcass Disposal – Poultry</u>. The rule was approved to be <u>repealed</u> by the Livestock and Poultry Commission Board meeting held April 16, 2021.

The rule was reviewed and approved by the Administrative Rules Subcommittee of the Arkansas Legislative Council on September 15, 2021, and the Arkansas Legislative Council on September 17, 2021.

If more information is needed, please contact me.

Sincerely,

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Transmittal Sheet

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CERTIFICATION OF AUTHORIZED OFFICER

l Hereby Certify That The Attached Rules Were Adopted In Compliance with the Arkansas Administrative Act. (ACA 25-15-201 et. seq.)

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REPEALED RULE AGENCY NO. 209.01

Arkansas Livestock & Poultry Commission Effective September 1, 1992 Taylor H. Woods, D.V.M., Director

Act 87 of 1963, Act 150 of 1985, Act 168 of 1985, and Act 20 of 1989

CARCASS DISPOSAL - POULTRY

Acceptable Methods

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- 1. Cremation or incineration
- 2. Composting of carcasses
- 3. Extrusion
- 4. Rendering
- 5. Cooking for swine feed
- 6. On farm freezing

Cremation or Incineration as a Method of Carcass Disposal

Controlled burn machine for the purpose of cooking careass so as not to disseminate disease. This means cooking careass until meat is rendered to ash.

Composting as a Method of Carcass Disposal

- 1. Must be practically odorless
- 2. Must be to where pathogenic bacteria are destroyed (150 degrees F)
- 3. Carcasses must be reduced to nothing, only feathers, and bones remaining. This takes about 10-14 days
- 4. Operated to where fly larvae are not a problem

Extrusion as a Method of Carcass Disposal

- 1. Enough heat must be generated to render finished-product pathogen free.
- 2. Careasses, if moved off the farm, must be moved under "Careass Moving Guidelines".

3. Permit required from the Arkansas Livestock and Poultry Commission

Rendering as a Method of Careass Disposal

- 1. Shall be done without odor contamination
- 2. Area around rendering unit shall be maintained in a sanitary manner; thatis,
 - (a) No carcasses of any type being held over 24 hours
 - (b) No pools of contaminated material allowed
 - (c) Careasses must be ground and temperature must reach 230 degrees F.
 - (d) End product stored in a clean area that is varmint proof.
- 3. Carcasses, if moved off the farm, must be moved under "Carcass Moving Guidelines".
- 4. Permit required from the Arkansas Livestock and Poultry Commission.

Cooking for Swine Feed as a Method of Carcass Disposal

- 1. Temperature of 212 degrees F must be maintained for 30 minutes.
- 2. Shall be done without odor contamination
- 3. Area around cooking unit shall be maintained in a sanitary manner, that is,
 - (a) No carcasses of any type being held over 24hours
 - (b) No pools of contaminated material allowed
 - (c) End product stored in a clean area that is varmint-proof
- 4. Carcasses, if moved off the farm, must be moved under "Carcass Moving Guidelines".
- 5. Permit required from the Arkansas Livestock and Poultry Commission.

On-Farm Freezing as a Method of Careass Disposal

- 1. Carcasses will be frozen to a solid state before being removed from thefarm.
- 2. Frozen carcasses will be placed in a container that will not leak when thawing begins.
- 3. Frozen carcasses will be transported from the farm in a sealed, leak-proof vehicle.

Major Die Off

- 1. In the event of a major die off, rendering will be the method of choice fordisposal, except when death is caused by a disease entity.
- 2. A ditch may be used when dug 2 to 4 feet deep and covered by at least 2 feet of dirt. Lime may be used to control odor if needed.

Poultry Careass Moving Guidelines from Farm

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- 1. Anytime poultry carcasses are removed from the farm, they must be moved under the "Poultry Carcass Moving Guidelines".
- 2. May be cancelled in times of LT, AI, or anytime state veterinarian deems necessary to stop-disease spread.
- 3. Poultry careasses must be placed in a leak-proof garbage dumpster that remains on the farm, then dumped into a sealed, leak-proof garbage truck; or can be sealed in leak proof plastic containers to be placed in a sealed, leak-proof vehicle to be moved to the site of destruction.
- 4. Frozen poultry carcasses must be placed in a sealed, leak-proof vehicle or container and covered before being transported to point ofdestination.