

# RULE ADOPTIONS

## AGRICULTURE

### (a)

#### DIVISION OF AGRICULTURAL AND NATURAL RESOURCES

##### Notice of Redoption Animal Waste Management

##### Redoption: N.J.A.C. 2:91

Authority: N.J.S.A. 2A:58-10 et seq., 4:9-38, and 4:27-19.

Authorized By: The State Board of Agriculture and Douglas H. Fisher, Secretary, Department of Agriculture.

Effective Date: April 20, 2023.

New Expiration Date: April 20, 2030.

**Take notice** that pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:14B-5.1.c, the rules at N.J.A.C. 2:91 were scheduled to expire on August 25, 2023.

N.J.A.C. 2:91 establishes a comprehensive animal waste management program that provides for the proper disposal of animal waste, including waste generated from aquaculture. The rules provide criteria and standards for the composting, handling, storage, processing, utilization, and disposal of animal waste. The rules provide definitive direction for the management of animal waste.

Subchapter 1 sets forth the purpose and scope of the rules.

Subchapter 2 sets forth the definitions of terms used throughout the rules.

Subchapter 3 sets forth the requirements for animal waste management based upon animal units, animal density, type of farm, and tonnage of animal waste received or applied on farms and establishes exemptions to the rules.

Subchapter 4 sets forth penalty provisions for violations of the requirements of this chapter.

At the chapter Appendix, the rule incorporates by reference Part 4 of the 2008 New Jersey Department of Agriculture Best Management Practices (NJDA BMP) Manual. The NJDA BMP Manual, 2008 edition, outlines best management practices to protect water quality on the farm, including strategies for barnyard manure and waste management.

These rules are necessary, reasonable, and proper for the purpose for which they were originally promulgated. The Department of Agriculture has reviewed these rules and has determined that the rules should be readopted without change at this time. The Department of Agriculture is presently working on a proposal that would make some changes to these rules, which it anticipates releasing for public comment within the next year. Therefore, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:14B-5.1.c(1), these rules are readopted and shall continue in effect for a seven-year period.

## CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

### (b)

#### DIVISION OF CHILD PROTECTION AND PERMANENCY

##### Notice of Redoption Resource Care

##### Redoption: N.J.A.C. 3A:14

Authority: N.J.S.A. 9:3A-7.f, 30:4C-4.h, and 30:4C-26.a.

Authorized By: Christine Norbut Beyer, M.S.W., Commissioner, Department of Children and Families.

Effective Date: April 14, 2023.

New Expiration Date: April 14, 2030.

**Take notice** that pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:14B-5.1.c, the rules at N.J.A.C. 3A:14 were scheduled to expire on May 16, 2023. These rules, together with the rules at N.J.A.C. 3A:15, 3A:17, and 3A:51, provide a regulatory framework for resource care and out-of-home placement services.

Subchapter 1 sets forth general provisions for resource care services, including the chapter's scope, purpose, non-discrimination policy and practice, service limitations, and dispute resolution. Subchapter 2 describes when Department of Children and Families employees, their household members, and their relatives may be licensed as resource parents and sets forth the standards and procedures for the application process. Subchapter 3 sets forth requirements for Division of Child Protection and Permanency (Division) representatives or contract agencies conducting criminal history records checks for resource parent applicants. Subchapter 4 details the Division or contract agency's responsibilities for working with resource parents. Subchapter 5 sets forth provisions related to applicants and licensed resource parents who are supervised by the Division, and includes sections addressing pre-service training, applicant requirements, home visits, applicant withdrawals, transportation reimbursement, and supervision or child care for employed resource parents.

The Department of Children and Families has reviewed the rules at N.J.A.C. 3A:14 and found them to be necessary, reasonable, and proper for the purposes for which they were originally promulgated. Therefore, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:14B-5.1.c(1), these rules are readopted and shall continue in effect for a seven-year period.

### (c)

#### DIVISION OF CHILD PROTECTION AND PERMANENCY

##### Notice of Redoption Services for Children in Out-of-Home Placement

##### Redoption: N.J.A.C. 3A:15

Authority: N.J.S.A. 30:4C-4.h and 30:4C-26.a.

Authorized By: Christine Norbut Beyer, M.S.W., Commissioner, Department of Children and Families.

Effective Date: April 18, 2023.

New Expiration Date: April 18, 2030.

**Take notice** that pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:14B-5.1.c, the rules at N.J.A.C. 3A:15 were scheduled to expire on May 31, 2023. N.J.A.C. 3A:15 establishes rules for the removal of a child from a resource family home placement by the Division of Child Protection and Permanency (Division).

Subchapter 1 sets forth sections that address visits between children, who are in out-of-home placements, and their families, including visitation plans, and rules related to visits, including locations, supervision, Division participation, transportation, and limitations. Subchapter 2 describes the services that the Division provides for children in out-of-home placements, including services related to case management, health care, education, self-sufficiency, and specific identified needs.

The Department of Children and Families has reviewed the rules at N.J.A.C. 3A:15 and found them to be necessary, reasonable, and proper for the purposes in which they were originally promulgated. Therefore, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 52:14B-5.1.c(1), these rules are readopted and shall continue in effect for a seven-year period.