

**TITLE 35. OKLAHOMA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, FOOD, AND FORESTRY  
CHAPTER 3. FINE MATRICES**

**RULEMAKING ACTION:**

Notice of proposed **PERMANENT** rulemaking

**PROPOSED RULES:**

Subchapter 1. Fine Schedules  
Part 11. Livestock Market Violations  
35:3-1-11 [NEW]  
35:3-1-12 [NEW]

**SUMMARY:**

The purpose of the proposed rules is to create a fine matrix for the Livestock Dealers Act and the Livestock Auction Market Act to address the imposition of administrative penalties in relation to violations of the Oklahoma Agricultural Code and corresponding rules. The implementation of the fine matrices in the rules will provide guidance to the Department and to the public on potential fines for specific violations. Penalties for referenced violations will be more consistently applied, while still allowing the Department to make determinations on a case-by-case basis.

**AUTHORITY:**

State Board of Agriculture; 2 O.S. 2001 §§ 2-4(2) and (29), 2-18, 9-130 et seq., and 9-141 et seq.; Article 6, Section 31, Constitution of the State of Oklahoma

**COMMENT PERIOD:**

Persons may submit written and oral comments to Teena Gunter at 2800 North Lincoln Boulevard, P. O. Box 528804, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73152-8804 during the period from January 15, 2008 through February 14, 2008.

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

A public hearing will be held at 9:30 a.m., February 14, 2008, in the *Board Room* of the Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry, 2800 North Lincoln Boulevard, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

**REQUESTS FOR COMMENTS FROM BUSINESS ENTITIES:**

Business entities affected by these proposed rules are requested to provide the agency with information, in dollar amounts if possible, about the increase in the level of direct costs, indirect costs, or other costs expected to be incurred by the business entity due to compliance with the proposed rules. Business entities may submit this information in writing to Teena Gunter at the above address during the period from January 15, 2008 through February 14, 2008.

**COPIES OF PROPOSED RULES:**

Copies of proposed rules may be obtained by visiting [oda.state.ok.us/ogc-laws.htm](http://oda.state.ok.us/ogc-laws.htm) or by contacting Teena Gunter, Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry, P. O. Box 528804, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73152-8804, 405-522-4576.

**RULE IMPACT STATEMENT:**

Pursuant to 75 O.S. § 303(D), a rule impact statement is available at the above address.

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