

## **Rule Requirement Timelines**

- 1) Farms with 1 to 7 Animal Units (AUs) are required to implement the General Requirements of the rule within 12 months of the effective date of the rule.
  - a) These farms are encouraged, but not required, to develop and implement a self-certified Animal Waste Management Plan (AWMP).
  - b) New farms meeting the 1 to 7 AU threshold after the effective date of the rule shall implement the General Requirements of the rule within 12 months of the date when the farm meets the AU threshold.
  
- 2) Farms with 8 to 299 Animal Units with Animal Densities less than or equal to one AU per acre shall:
  - a) Implement the General Requirements of the rule within 12 months of the effective date of the rule.
  - b) Develop a self-certified AWMP consistent with the NJDA BMP Manual within 18 months of the effective date of the rule.
  - c) Implement the AWMP completely within 36 months of the effective date of the rule.
  - d) File the Declaration Page with the local Rutgers Cooperative Extension Office.
  - e) Retain a copy of the AWMP on the farm.
  
- 3) Farms with 8 to 299 Animal Units with Animal Densities greater than one AU per acre shall:
  - a) Implement the General Requirements of the rule within 12 months of the effective date of the rule.
  - b) Develop a high-density AWMP consistent with the NJDA BMP Manual and the USDA-NRCS NJ-FOTG standards, within 18 months of the effective date of the rule.
  - c) Have the high-density AWMP reviewed by a certified conservation planner to ensure consistency with the NJ-FOTG standards.
  - d) Submit the approved the high-density AWMP to the local Soil Conservation District for approval.
  
- 4) Farms with 300 or more Animal Units shall:
  - a) Implement the General Requirements of the rule within 12 months of the effective date of the rule.
  - b) Develop a Comprehensive Nutrient Management Plan (CNMP) in consultation with the NRCS, a Technical Service Provider, or an appropriate agent, which conforms to the NJ-FOTG, and submit the CNMP to the local Soil Conservation District for review and approval.
  - c) Provide a copy of the approved CNMP along with a signed authorization releasing the Plan to the NJDA for Certification.
  - d) Retain the returned original CNMP and Certification of the farm.
  
- 5) Farms receiving or applying less than 142 tons of animal waste/year
  - a) Required to implement the General Requirements of the rule within 12 months of the effective date of the rule.
  - b) Encouraged to develop a self-certified AWMP.

- 6) Farms receiving or applying greater than 142 tons of animal waste/year
  - a) Required to implement the General Requirements of the rule within 12 months of the effective date of the rule.
  - b) Required to develop a self-certified AWMP within 18 months of the effective date of the rule.
  - c) Implement the AWMP completely within 36 months of the effective date of the rule.
  - d) Maintain Record-keeping Requirements for Hauling.

Petting zoos, game farms and kennels are exempt from the rule.

The rule defines **Livestock** as all aquaculture organisms, cattle, horses, ponies and other domestic equidae (mules and similar members of the horse family), swine, sheep, goats, llama, poultry, fowl, ratites (big birds such as emus, ostriches), rabbits and small ruminants as defined in N.J.A.C. 2:8-1.2(a).

# Timeline of Rule Requirements

