

RULE ADOPTIONS

AGRICULTURE

(a)

DIVISION OF PLANT INDUSTRY

Spotted Lanternfly Quarantine

Adopted Amendment: N.J.A.C. 2:20-10.4

Proposed: September 20, 2021, at 53 N.J.R. 1581(a).

Adopted: October 27, 2021, by the State Department of Agriculture and Douglas H. Fisher, Secretary, Department of Agriculture.

Filed: March 28, 2022, as R.2022 d.056, **without change**.

Authority: N.J.S.A. 4:1-21.2, 4:1-21.5, 4:1-21.6, and 4:7-1 et seq.

Effective Date: May 2, 2022.

Expiration Date: January 25, 2025.

Summary of Public Comment and Agency Response:

No comments were received.

Federal Standards Statement

A Federal standards analysis is not required, since there are no applicable Federal standards that govern the Spotted Lanternfly.

Full text of the adoption follows:

SUBCHAPTER 10. SPOTTED LANTERNFLY

2:20-10.4 Quarantine area

(a) By order of the State Board of Agriculture, and pursuant to N.J.S.A. 4:1-21.5, in order to control the spread of the dangerously injurious insect, the Spotted Lanternfly, a menace to the State's agricultural industries, environment, and residential areas of New Jersey, the following New Jersey counties are hereby quarantined in their entirety:

- 1.-6. (No change.)
7. Salem;
8. Somerset;
9. Morris;
10. Monmouth;
11. Middlesex;
12. Essex; and
13. Union.

(b) (No change.)

BANKING

(b)

DEPARTMENT OF BANKING AND INSURANCE

DIVISION OF BANKING

Notice of Redoption

Debt Adjustment and Credit Counseling

Redoption: N.J.A.C. 3:25

Authority: N.J.S.A. 17:1-8.1, 17:1-15.e, 17:16G-1 et seq., and 46:10B-35.

Authorized By: Marlene Caride, Commissioner, Department of Banking and Insurance.

Effective Date: March 30, 2022.

New Expiration Date: March 30, 2029.

Take notice that pursuant to N.J.S.A. 52:14B-5.1, the rules at N.J.A.C. 3:25 were scheduled to expire on May 1, 2022. The rules implement the Debt Adjustment and Credit Counseling Act (Act), N.J.S.A. 17:16G-1 et seq., and the New Jersey Home Ownership Security Act of 2002, N.J.S.A. 46:10B-22 et seq.

Subchapter 1 provides definitions of key terms and set limits on debt adjustment and credit counseling fees that may be charged by nonprofit social services and nonprofit consumer credit counseling agencies.

Subchapter 2 sets forth eligibility for debt adjuster licensing or high-cost home loan credit counselor registration. The rules also provide the application information required for licensure as a debt adjuster or registration as a high-cost home loan credit counselor. Additionally, if a licensee or registrant has more than one office, the designation of a principal office is required. This subchapter includes the requirement for licensees to maintain a certain bond amount, have its financial records audited annually, and to follow certain procedures relating to the receipt, maintenance, and disbursement of debtor's funds.

Subchapter 3 establishes the investigation and examination powers of the Department of Banking and Insurance (Department) and lists penalties it may impose on licensees, including revocation of license or registration.

Subchapter 4 sets the requirement that registered high-cost home loan credit counselors certify that consumers received counseling with respect to high-cost home loans and lists what, at a minimum, must be contained in the certification given by the counselor upon completion of the counseling. These rules set forth the minimum standards for individuals providing high-cost home loan credit counseling and establish the information that must be discussed with a consumer as a prerequisite to the counselor issuing a certification of having provided the required counseling. These standards include having sufficient expertise and working knowledge to provide proper counseling. The rules also permit high-cost home loan credit counselors to provide alternate counseling to consumers, require counselors to discuss certain issues with consumers prior to providing a certification of alternate counseling, and list what must be included in the certification given by the counselor upon completion of alternate counseling. Lastly, the rules establish the bookkeeping and reporting requirements for high-cost home loan credit counselors.

The Department has reviewed the rules and has determined that the rules should be readopted without change. The rules are necessary, reasonable, and proper for the purpose 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.

CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

(c)

DIVISION OF CHILD PROTECTION AND PERMANENCY

Notice of Redoption

Client Information

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

Authority: N.J.S.A. 9:6-8.10a, 9:6-8.14, 30:4-24.3, and 30:4C-4(h); and 45 CFR 205.50, 1355.21, and 1355.30.

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

Effective Date: April 1, 2022.

New Expiration Date: April 1, 2029.

Take notice that pursuant to N.J.S.A. 9:6-8.10a, 9:6-8.14, 30:4-24.3, and 30:4C-4(h); and 45 CFR 205.50, 1355.21, and 1355.30, Client Information, was scheduled to expire on May 4, 2022. The Department of Children and Families has reviewed N.J.A.C. 3A:3 and has found the chapter to be necessary, reasonable, and proper for the purpose for which it was originally promulgated in 1996. The last amendments to the rules were effective in 2017.

A summary of each subchapter at N.J.A.C. 3A:3 follows:

N.J.A.C. 3A:3-1.1 sets forth the purpose.

N.J.A.C. 3A:3-1.2 sets forth the scope.