

1512.0055 SOIL ANALYSIS METHOD OR PROCEDURE VARIANCE.

The department may grant a variance from requirements of part 1512.0050. To request a variance, a laboratory must provide a written request to the department including:

A. the specific methods or procedures for which the variance is being sought including analytical methodology;

B. reasons for the request; and

C. documentation and research to show correlation of analytical data to crop response and interpretation of the soil analysis to provide fertilizer recommendations for Minnesota soils and conditions.

The department shall review information submitted with the variance request in consultation with the soil testing advisory panel according to part 1512.0075. The department shall grant or deny the variance within 100 working days of receipt of the request. Analytical methods or procedures that have been granted a variance may be used by any laboratory requesting initial or renewal certification. Analytical methods or procedures that have been granted a variance must be published in the yearly certification program report and provided by any laboratory requesting certification. The department shall send written reasons for a denial of a request for variance within 100 working days of receipt of request.

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