

## CHAPTER 19

## APIARIES

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**19.58 INTERSTATE MOVEMENT OF BEES AND USED BEE EQUIPMENT.**

Subdivision 1. **Entry permit.** No person may bring into this state any bees on comb, including nuclei, or used bee equipment without an entry permit issued by the commissioner. A person who wishes to bring any bees on comb or used bee equipment into the state shall apply for an entry permit at least 60 days before the date of entry. The 60-day requirement may be waived for a hobbyist beekeeper who intends to become a resident of Minnesota and who brings ten colonies or less into the state.

Ten days before entry, any person required to obtain an entry permit shall furnish to the commissioner a copy of a valid certificate of inspection signed by a responsible official of the state where the bees or equipment originated. The certificate must be based on an inspection. A person may not bring into the state any bees on comb including nuclei, combless bees, or used bee equipment from any county or parish where honey bee tracheal mites or Africanized bees have been found unless it is demonstrated to the satisfaction of the commissioner that there will be no risk of introduction either of tracheal mites or Africanized bees into the state. Bees or equipment brought into the state in violation of this subdivision are a public nuisance and may be destroyed without notice by the commissioner.

This subdivision does not apply to a common carrier transporting bees or used bee equipment from a point of origin outside of the state to a destination outside of the state.

*[For text of subds 2 to 9, see M.S.1986]*

**History:** 1987 c 396 art 11 s 3