

CHAPTER 18

PEST CONTROL

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18.024 DISEASED SHADE TREE UTILIZATION.

Subdivision 1. **Wood utilization.** The departments of agriculture and natural resources, after consultation with the Minnesota shade tree advisory committee and the commissioner of public service, shall investigate, evaluate, and make recommendations to the legislature concerning the potential uses of wood from community trees removed due to disease or other disorders. These recommendations shall include maximum resource recovery through recycling, use as an alternative energy source, or use in construction or the manufacture of new products. Wood utilization or disposal systems as defined in section 18.023 must be included to ensure maximum utilization of diseased shade trees with designs and procedures to ensure public safety and to assure compliance with approved disease control programs.

[For text of subd 2, see M.S.1992]

History: 1993 c 163 art 1 s 2

18.317 WATER-TRANSMITTED HARMFUL EXOTIC SPECIES.

[For text of subds 1 to 3, see M.S.1992]

Subd. 3a. **Inspection of watercraft and equipment.** Licensed watercraft and associated equipment, including weed harvesters, that are removed from any waters of the state that the commissioner of natural resources identifies as being contaminated with Eurasian water milfoil, zebra mussels, or other water-transmitted exotic harmful species identified by the commissioner of natural resources, shall be randomly inspected between May 1 and October 15 for a minimum of 10,000 hours by personnel authorized by the commissioner of natural resources. Beginning in calendar year 1994, a minimum of 20,000 hours of random inspections must be conducted per year.

[For text of subds 4 and 5, see M.S.1992]

History: 1993 c 235 s 1

18.46 DEFINITIONS.

[For text of subds 1 and 2, see M.S.1992]

Subd. 3. **Nursery stock:** Nursery stock includes: all hardy deciduous and evergreen trees, shrubs, vines, and other plants having a woody stem, whether wild or cultivated, and parts thereof which are for and capable of propagation.

Subd. 3a. **Hardy.** "Hardy" describes a plant that can survive the normal winters in Minnesota without artificial protection.

[For text of subds 4 to 16, see M.S.1992]

History: 1993 c 138 s 1,2

18.525 EXEMPT SALES.

An organization does not need to obtain a nursery stock dealer certificate before offering certified nursery stock for sale or distribution if the organization:

- (1) is a nonprofit charitable, educational, or religious organization;

(2) conducts sales or distributions of certified nursery stock on 14 or fewer days in a calendar year; and

(3) uses the proceeds from its certified nursery stock sales or distributions for charitable, educational, or religious purposes.

The organization must notify the commissioner, prior to any sales or distributions of certified nursery stock and must demonstrate to the commissioner, if requested, that such sales or distributions will be conducted on 14 or fewer days in the calendar year, as provided in clause (2).

History: 1993 c 138 s 3; 1993 c 209 s 1; 1993 c 366 s 24