

25.41 INSPECTION, SAMPLING, AND ANALYSIS.

Subdivision 1. **Authorization; limitation.** For the purpose of enforcement of sections 25.31 to 25.43, and associated rules, in order to determine whether the provisions have been complied with, including whether or not any operations may be subject to such provisions, officers or employees duly designated by the commissioner, upon presenting appropriate credentials, and a written notice to the owner, operator, or agent in charge, are authorized:

(1) to enter, during normal business hours, any factory, warehouse, or establishment within the state in which commercial feeds are manufactured, processed, packed, or held for distribution, or to enter any vehicle being used to transport or hold such feeds; and

(2) to inspect at reasonable times, within reasonable limits, and in a reasonable manner, such factory, warehouse, establishment or vehicle and all pertinent equipment, finished and unfinished materials, containers, and labeling therein. The inspection may include the verification of records and production and control procedures related to the manufacture, distribution, storage, handling, or disposal of commercial feed as may be necessary to determine compliance with this chapter.

Subd. 2. **Notification; promptness.** A separate notice shall be given for each inspection, but a notice shall not be required for each entry made during the period covered by the inspection. Each inspection shall be commenced and completed with reasonable promptness. Upon completion of the inspection, the owner, operator, or agent in charge of the facility or vehicle shall be so notified.

Subd. 3. **Receipt for samples.** If the officer or employee making such inspection of a factory, warehouse, or other establishment has obtained a sample in the course of the inspection, upon completion of the inspection and prior to leaving the premises the officer or employee shall give to the owner, operator, or agent in charge a receipt describing the samples obtained.

Subd. 4. **Refusal to admit inspector.** If the owner, operator, or agent in charge of any factory, warehouse, or establishment described in subdivision 1 refuses to admit the commissioner or the commissioner's agent to inspect in accordance with subdivisions 1 and 2, the commissioner is authorized to obtain from the district court of the county in which the premises are located a warrant directing the owner, operator, or agent in charge to submit the premises described in the warrant to inspection.

Subd. 5. **Entry of premises.** For the purpose of the enforcement of sections 25.31 to 25.43, the commissioner or the commissioner's duly designated agent is authorized to enter upon any public or private premises including any vehicle of transport during regular business hours to have access to, and to obtain samples, and to examine records relating to distribution of commercial feeds.

Subd. 6. **Methods.** Sampling and analysis must be conducted in accordance with methods published by the AOAC International or other generally recognized methods.

Subd. 7. **Notice of analysis.** The results of all analyses of official samples shall be forwarded by the commissioner to the person named on the label and to the purchaser. When the inspection and analysis of an official sample indicated a commercial feed has been adulterated or misbranded and upon request within 30 days following receipt of the analysis the commissioner shall furnish to the license holder a portion of the sample concerned.

Subd. 7a. **Manufacturer's report of investigation.** If the inspection and analysis of an official sample indicates that a commercial feed has been adulterated or misbranded, the person whose name appears on the label of the indicated commercial feed as guarantor shall provide a manufacturer's report of investigation to the commissioner within 30 days following the receipt of the official analysis.

Subd. 8. **Use of official sample.** The commissioner, in determining for administrative purposes whether a commercial feed is deficient in any component, shall be guided by the official sample as defined in section 25.33, subdivision 17 and obtained and analyzed as provided for in subdivisions 3, 5, and 6.

History: 1971 c 433 s 11; 1980 c 509 s 12,13; 1985 c 248 s 70; 1986 c 444; 1997 c 7 art 1 s 10; 1997 c 216 s 52; 2006 c 203 s 5-9