



Notice of Public Rulemaking Hearing

For Amendments to:

- **Rules Pertaining to the Administration and Enforcement of the Pet Animal Care and Facilities Act**
- 8 CCR 1202-15, Parts 1, 2, 7, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, and 20.

Public Rulemaking Hearing

Notice is hereby given pursuant to § 24-4-103 C.R.S. that the Department of Agriculture will hold a public rulemaking hearing:

- **Date:** April 24, 2025
- **Time:** 9:00 a.m.
- **Location:** This hearing will be held via [Zoom](#)
- **Call Information:** 1-719-359-4580
- **Meeting ID:** 847 8579 1996
- **Passcode:** 146918

In order to maintain a proper hearing record

1. You are encouraged to pre-register by completing this [Google form](#), OR
2. You may send your name and telephone number to cda_rulemaking@state.co.us.

Note: Pre-registration is not required to participate in the hearing.





Proposed Rule Amendment Summary

The Commissioner of Agriculture proposes these rule amendments to implement change from Senate Bill 24-045 which amended §35-80-106.4, C.R.S., and requires animal shelters and rescues to sterilize dogs and cats prior to adoption. These amendments clarify when an exemption can be granted, and the recordkeeping and reporting requirements for such exemptions.

Additionally, this rulemaking adds new definitions, changes threshold numbers for the breeding, rescue and shelter of herptiles, updates enclosure requirements for some species, updates cleaning, sanitation and isolation rules, updates rules regarding commingling of animals, adds a new rule requiring certain vaccinations for dogs, cats and ferrets imported into Colorado, updates recordkeeping requirements for dogs and cats in grooming, boarding/training and pet handler facilities, and updates notification requirements of pet transporters.

Public Comment

Any interested party may file written comments with the Commissioner's office prior to the hearing, or present at the aforementioned hearing written data, views or arguments. Emailed comments should be sent to the hearing officer at cda_rulemaking@state.co.us.

Copies of the Rule

A copy of the proposed rule is available on the Department of Agriculture's website at ag.colorado.gov or may be obtained by calling 720-795-3510. The proposed rule shall be available for public inspection at the Colorado Department of Agriculture at 305 Interlocken Parkway, Broomfield, Colorado during regular business hours.

