

Ohio Administrative Code Rule 901:14-1-08 Harvesting.

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(A) A licensed cultivator shall submit a completed current harvest or destruction report form to the department at least fifteen days prior to the intended harvest date or intended destruction of a failed crop. The licensed cultivator shall indicate to the department the growing location or part thereof that the cultivator intends to harvest or destroy.

- (B) Upon receipt of a completed harvest or destruction report, the department shall collect a sample prior to harvest. No licensed cultivator shall harvest hemp prior to the department collecting a sample from the area intended to be harvested.
- (C) The licensed cultivator shall harvest the crop not more than fifteen days following the date of the sample collection by the department, unless specifically authorized in writing by the department. If the licensed cultivator fails to complete harvest within fifteen days, the department may order a secondary pre-harvest sample of the plot, and the licensed cultivator shall be assessed a secondary pre-harvest sample fee per plot in the amount established in rule.
- (D) Harvested plant material shall not be moved beyond the cultivator's storage facility until the department releases the plant material in writing using the hemp release form.
- (E) A licensed cultivator who fails to submit a harvest or destruction report or who does submit a harvest or destruction report and proceeds to harvest a crop prior to a sample being collected by the department without approval by the department may result in the department taking enforcement action as outlined in rule 901:14-1-99 of the Administrative Code. Any plant material that has been harvested and is still in the licensed cultivator's possession shall be embargoed and tested as outlined in rule 901:14-1-10 of the Administrative Code.