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## WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL RULES CLEARINGHOUSE

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### CLEARINGHOUSE RULE 03-030

#### Comments

**[NOTE:** All citations to “Manual” in the comments below are to the Administrative Rules Procedures Manual, prepared by the Revisor of Statutes Bureau and the Legislative Council Staff, dated October 2002.]

#### 2. Form, Style and Placement in Administrative Code

a. The rule repeals subch. I of ch. NR 16 and rennumbers subch. II to become part of ch. NR 19. The rule should also repeal ch. NR 16 (title).

b. In each SECTION of the rule, a period should follow the SECTION number. Also, in the treatment clauses for SECTIONS 1 and 2, “ch.” should be inserted before “NR” in three places.

c. Section NR 16.13 (2) (intro.) should be restructured so that it ends in a colon and leads into the paragraphs that follow. For example, it could end with “except as provided in s. 169.12, Stats., or any of the following:”.

There are several instances in the rule of introductory material that does not end in a colon and lead into the subsequent subunits. [See s. 1.03 (8), Manual.] In most instances, the introductory material can be given a number and subsequent subunits can be renumbered. For example, s. NR 16.19 (intro.) could be s. NR 16.19 (1). Similar changes are needed in ss. NR 16.23 (intro.), 16.26 (intro.), 16.27 (intro.), 16.35 (3) (a) (intro.), and 16.50 (1) (intro.).

In s. NR 16.30 (9) (b) (intro.), “any of the following apply” should be inserted before the colon and “; or” should be replaced by a period in subd. 1.

d. In s. NR 16.45 (1) (a), “Existing” should be deleted, since the sentence already uses a date certain.

**4. Adequacy of References to Related Statutes, Rules and Forms**

In s. NR 16.15 (2) (b), the second reference to s. NR 16.30 (7) should be to s. NR 16.30 (8), which relates to animal health and husbandry standards.

**5. Clarity, Grammar, Punctuation and Use of Plain Language**

In s. NR 16.30 (4) (c) 2. a., “2 raccoons” should replace “2 raccoon.” Similar changes are needed in subd. 2. b. and c.