

Ohio Administrative Code Rule 901:5-55-02 Registrations.

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- (A) Pursuant to section 909.02 of the Revised Code, all persons required to register their apiary may find an application on the department's website www.agri.ohio.gov. Renewal registration applications are also available at the department's website.
- (B) Honey bee colonies moved within this state for pollination purposes shall be returned to an Ohio registered apiary no later than ten days after the conclusion of the pollination service for the crop involved. Colonies which are not returned as required shall be considered a permanent apiary, which shall be registered in accordance with section 909.02 of the Revised Code.
- (C) Any person moving honey bee colonies into this state for the purposes of pollination shall notify the department in writing to apiary@agri.oho.gov or at 8995 East Main Street, Reynoldsburg, Ohio 43068, at least seven days prior to the shipment of bees into the state. The notice shall be accompanied by a current certificate of inspection by an authorized inspector from the state or country wherein shipment or movement originated. The certificate shall identify all pathogens and parasites diagnosed and any controls that were implemented. The owner shall provide an address, coordinates, map or description of the location where the hives will be placed as well as the period of time in which the bees will be at that location. If the hives are at a location for longer than two consecutive months, that location shall be registered as an apiary in accordance with section 909.02 of the Revised Code.