

CHAPTER 19

APIARIES

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Subdivision 1. No person shall own, possess, or operate bees without registering the bees with the commissioner. Application for registration must be filed within 30 days of obtaining possession of bees and equipment. The registration application shall describe the location of each of the applicant's apiaries and the number of colonies in each apiary or location. The commissioner shall issue a registration certificate to a person who makes written application on forms prepared by the commissioner and who pays a registration fee of \$7.50. Each registration certificate expires on the last day of June next following its issuance. Each registration certificate must be renewed within 30 days of expiration of previous registration. A registration certificate may be renewed upon written application and payment of the registration fee described in this subdivision.

Subd. 2. In addition to the annual registration fee, a person owning or possessing 11 or more bee colonies shall pay an annual inspection fee of 17 cents for each colony of bees owned, possessed, or operated. A person owning or possessing one to ten colonies is not required to pay an inspection fee. This fee shall be based upon the colony count taken as of June 15 of each year, and shall be payable on or before the last day of June of each year. A penalty of 50 percent of both the inspection fee and the registration fee imposed by subdivision 1 shall be imposed if a registration renewal certificate has not been applied for prior to August 1 of any year or within 30 days after a new apiary is established.

[For text of subs 3 and 4, see M.S.1980]

History: 1981 c 356 s 262,263

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[For text of subs 1 to 3, see M.S.1980]

Subd. 4. **Inspection fee for certification of fall interstate shipments of bee colonies.** An interstate inspection fee of 40 cents for each colony inspected shall be paid by the owner, possessor or operator requesting inspection service.

[For text of subd 5, see M.S.1980]

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