



REQUEST FOR PUBLIC COMMENT Amusement Ride Safety – Bungee Jump Rules – 2018 Five Year Rule Review

The rules in this package have been reviewed pursuant to Chapter 119 of the Revised Code and are being proposed as follows. **The comment period will remain open through June 1, 2018.** Comments may be emailed to ecomments@agri.ohio.gov or mailed to Legal Section, Ohio Department of Agriculture, 8995 E. Main St., Reynoldsburg, Ohio 43068.

The Ohio Department of Agriculture, Division of Amusement Ride Safety inspects all amusement rides, including bungee jump amusement rides, that operate in the state of Ohio. The Department's inspectors work to assure compliance with Ohio's laws and rules and to ensure that rides are have been assembled and are being operated in a safe manner. The rules in this package regulate bungee jump amusement rides in the state. These rules have been reviewed in accordance with Chapter 119 of the Revised Code and are being proposed as follows:

901:9-1-21 establishes that the purpose of Ohio Administrative Code (OAC) rules 901:9-1-21 to 901:9-1-41 is to set standards that must be met for the operation of bungee jumps. There are no changes proposed to this rule.

901:9-1-22 outlines the definitions as used in rules 901:9-1-(21-41). The rule is being amended to include definitions for "ANSI" and "ASTM". Further, these definitions outline where individuals may find the location of these standards thereby complying with the incorporation by reference standards. Finally, the definition of "two-block damage prevention feature" has been moved in order to maintain alphabetization of the rule.

901:9-1-23 outlines the requirements for a permit application. The rule is being amended to make a small stylistic change which does not impact the substance of the rule.

901:9-1-24 regulates the amount of safety space between the bottom of the jump zone and the ground or water level. There are no changes proposed to this rule.

901:9-1-25 outlines the safe working load of the jump platform. There are no changes proposed to this rule.

901:9-1-26 sets forth requirements for the operation of a bungee jump lowering system. There are no changes proposed to this rule.

901:9-1-27 outlines the safety regulations for cranes used in the bungee jump operation. The rule is being amended to make clarifying corrections which should aid in the comprehension of the rule.



901:9-1-28 outlines safety regulations for suspended personnel platforms which are used as bungee jump platforms. The rule is being amended to conform the rules regarding incorporation by reference.

901:9-1-29 outlines bungee cord safety requirements. The rule specifically requires that all cords used in the bungee jump operations have a minimum safety factor of five. Additionally, the rule outlines safety tests to ensure there are no defects in the ropes and the practice of retiring rope should there be any defects found. There are no changes proposed to this rule.

901:9-1-30 outlines safety requirements for jumper harnesses and hardware. The rule is being amended to conform with the rules regarding incorporation by reference.

901:9-1-31 sets forth testing and inspection requirements for jump rigging, harnesses, lowering systems, and safety gear. There are no changes proposed to this rule.

901:9-1-32 requires replacement parts for certain pieces of equipment to be on site at all times. There are no changes proposed to this rule.

901:9-1-33 sets forth identification requirements of equipment, rigging, bungee cords, and other safety equipment. There are no changes proposed to this rule.

901:9-1-34 sets forth safety regulations for the landing area of all bungee jump operations. The rule outlines the size of the landing area in reference to the height of the jump. It further sets requirements regarding the space around the landing area in order to ensure the safety of the jumper. There are no changes proposed to this rule.

901:9-1-35 outlines the requirements of the bungee jump site. This includes communication requirements between staff and jumpers and similarly between management and staff. Additionally, this rule requires adequate storage to be maintained at the jump site to protect equipment from the elements. There are no changes proposed to this rule.

901:9-1-36 establishes physical requirements of the jumper. There are no changes proposed to this rule.

901:9-1-37 outlines educational and training requirements of the jump master and staff. There are no changes proposed to this rule.

901:9-1-38 sets forth the requirements of the site operating manual. The site operating manual is to contain descriptions of each part of the operation, from the site plan to the description of maintenance procedures. There are no changes proposed to this rule.

901:9-1-39 outlines requirements for emergency provisions and procedures. There are no changes proposed to this rule.

901:9-1-40 sets forth prohibited activities at a bungee jump operation. There are no changes proposed to this rule.



901:9-1-41 outlines safety requirements for nets as used in bungee jump operations. It is being amended to update the ANSI standard listed in the rule.

