

**BODIES OF DEAD ANIMALS (EXCERPT)**  
**Act 239 of 1982**

**287.665 Rules.**

Sec. 15. The department shall promulgate rules pursuant to the administrative procedures act of 1969, 1969 PA 306, MCL 24.201 to 24.328, regarding the following:

- (a) The construction and operation of a facility licensed under this act.
- (b) Vehicles used for the transportation of dead animals.
- (c) Methodology for active composting to include, but not be limited to, methodology regarding passively aerated static piles, mechanically or forced aerated static piles, windrow piles, and contained or in-vessel systems.
- (d) Conditions for active composting to include, but not be limited to, recommended conditions regarding moisture content, carbon-to-nitrogen ratio, bulking agent particle size, animal tissue density, composting density, temperature ranges, and pH ranges.
- (e) Parameters regarding grinding, including, but not limited to, pile form and shape, pile slumping, and the presence of large intact bones after composting.
- (f) Methods for effluent containment and prevention of its movement into groundwater and surface water.
- (g) The accommodation of normal natural daily mortality and system capacity for accommodation of both active composting and curing.
- (h) Control of odor and pest or vermin infestation of piles with biofilter caps or as otherwise provided by rule.
- (i) The generation of adequate records involving composting.
- (j) A system of annual nutrient-content analysis.
- (k) The final disposition of finished compost.
- (l) Methodology for the anaerobic digestion of organic materials.

**History:** 1982, Act 239, Eff. Oct. 1, 1982;—Am. 1993, Act 228, Eff. Feb. 4, 1994;—Am. 1998, Act 299, Imd. Eff. July 28, 1998;—Am. 2005, Act 66, Imd. Eff. July 7, 2005;—Am. 2008, Act 311, Imd. Eff. Dec. 18, 2008.