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Hemp Crop Destruction Protocols and Acceptable Methods (rev. 5/14/19)

A crop of industrial Hemp may be required to be destroyed by the licensed farmer for multiple reasons, including **but not limited to**:

- THC exceeds limits
- The crop failed
- If the crop is unable to be harvested

At this time these methods are acceptable methods to destroy a Hemp crop:

- On-farm composting
- Disking and incorporating into the soil on the farm
- Bush hogging the field followed by disking and incorporating into farm soil
- Chopping and disking into farm soil

Be advised that when destruction of a crop is due to high THC, any volunteer plants emerging after destruction must be eliminated.

When a Hemp crop is voluntarily destroyed, you must submit a Harvest/Destruction report prior to the destruction. You must provide a short description of your intended method of destruction and if you intend in salvaging any part of the plant for fiber or other uses. You must document the salvage (if conducted) and complete destruction by photographs taken which show the crop being destroyed. This documentation must be kept on file as a record and made available for inspection.

Hemp and Hemp flower material may be sent to DEEP licensed Municipal Waste Incinerators as agricultural plant waste, please check with your trash hauling company for any requirements.

DoAg will continue to investigate and approve other methods for unusable Hemp crop destruction.



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