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If you have a question about a specific rule, please contact the agency behind that rule. Their information can be found at <https://rules.utah.gov/help-rules-who-to-contact/>.

Agencies – please use our Agency Resources site (<https://rules.utah.gov/agency-resources/>) and feel free to give us a call at the same number listed above.

The Office of Administrative Rules is an executive branch agency under the Department of Government Operations. The Office enables citizen participation in their own government by supporting agency rulemaking and ensuring agency compliance with the Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act. The Office's primary goals focus on its duty to make regulatory information available to the public, and to assist state agencies through timely publication of both the Utah State Bulletin and the Utah Administrative Code.

UTAH'S REGULAR RULEMAKING PROCESS
A helpful guide from the Utah Office of Administrative Rules

AUTHORIZATION & PREPROPOSAL	PROPOSAL & APPROVAL	PUBLISHING & PUBLIC COMMENT	ADOPTION & ENFORCEMENT
Legislature creates a program and authorizes an agency to regulate it. Agency identifies a need for a new rule or a change to an existing rule. Public may petition an agency to make or change a rule. Agency drafts the rule involving persons affected, and completes a rule analysis. Agency conducts a small business fiscal impact analysis if necessary.	Agency files a Proposed Rule (text and rule analysis) with the Office of Administrative Rules. Rules verifies that information required by statute has been provided. Legislature's Administrative Rules Review Committee "may" review proposed and effective rules. The Governor's Office of Management and Budget receives and reviews Proposed and Effective rules for their fiscal impact on entities affected.	Rules publishes Proposed Rules in the Utah State Bulletin (published semi-monthly, distributed online). Public may submit comment to agency about Proposed Rules; request SBIR analysis. Agency accepts public comment for no fewer than 30 days and no more than 113 days. Agency considers comments if comments require change. Agency may prepare a Change in Proposed Rule.	Agency files a Notice of Effective Date with the Division designating the rule's effective date (may not be retroactive). Rule is effective. Agency enforces the rule. Public may petition an agency to make or change a rule. Division codifies the effective rule into the Utah Administrative Code (updated monthly; distributed online). Agency considers comments if comments require change.

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UTAH ADMINISTRATIVE CODE

The Utah Administrative Code is an official publication of the Office of Administrative Rules, mandated by Section 63G-3-402. It is Utah's equivalent to the Code of Federal Regulations. The Utah Administrative Code is "evidence of the administrative law of the state of Utah" and an "authorized compilation of the administrative law of Utah" (Section 63G-3-701). Since 2004, the Utah Administrative Code has been an electronic publication.



"I know no safe depository of the ultimate powers of the society but the people themselves; and if we think them not enlightened enough to exercise their control with a wholesome discretion, the remedy is not to take it from them, but to inform their discretion by education. This is the true corrective of abuses of constitutional power."

— Thomas Jefferson —

CONTACT US

Questions about the content or application of a particular administrative rule *must be referred to the agency that issued the rule*. **For questions about a particular rule [CLICK HERE](#)** to find contact information for individual rules written by agencies in the state of Utah.

You may contact the office with questions about the rulemaking process.
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