

Feed Inspection Policies - Violations

When the Inspector finds a violation of any provision of the SC Commercial Feed Act, he must:

1. Give written notice to the distributor of the violation and suspend the sale of the feed product(s) in violation. The inspector will schedule a 2nd inspection no sooner than 2 weeks from the date of the first inspection, unless the feed manufacturer requests an earlier 2nd inspection. These procedures are in accordance with § 46-27-610.
2. If the problem is corrected by the time the inspector returns for the 2nd inspection, then no additional action will be necessary by the inspector or the Department on this matter.
3. If the problem is not corrected by the time the inspector returns for the 2nd visit, then the inspector will follow the provisions of § 46-27-620, including the:
 - a. Collection of samples to send to the lab for analysis;
 - b. Preparation of a non-compliance notice and asking the distributor to sign the non-compliance notice. A copy of the notice will be left with the distributor. If the distributor refuses to sign, then the inspector will reference that on the non-compliance form, and if witnesses are available, will have the witnesses sign the non-compliance form indicating that the distributor refused to sign.
 - c. Placement of seizure/condemnation stickers on feed products not in compliance with the law. Such stickers will be dated, indicating the date they were placed on the feed products. Also, the inspector will leave a sheet of instructions with the distributor explaining the seizure process and the options the distributor must comply with in order to have the feed products released from seizure in accordance with § 46-27-640.
4. If the distributor refuses to take action within 30 days after the seizure/condemnation stickers have been issued, then the inspector shall notify the county solicitor in accordance with § 46-27-650.
5. According to § 46-27-660, any distributor or manufacturer convicted of violating the provisions of the Commercial Feed Act will be fined up to \$250 for the first violation, and up to \$500 for the second or subsequent violations.