

The Guidelines - How They Engage All Parties in Promoting Nuisance-Free Beekeeping

GOALS

- Acceptance of residential beekeeping
- Beekeeping with lower nuisance risk
- Streamline regulation of beekeeping

Work to decrease risk of nuisance



NEW BEEKEEPER

1 EDUCATION

- Knowledge of local and state laws, and of best beekeeping practices (delivered by the OSU Pollinator Health Program, the Oregon Master Beekeeper Program)

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BEEKEEPING PRACTICES

- When and how to work colonies
- How to reduce unwanted behaviors (swarming, water foraging, defensiveness, etc)

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RECORD KEEPING

- Document the use of correct beekeeping practices
- Record proof of up-to-date training

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APIARY

- Siting and setback
- Number of colonies
- Flight barrier/path
- Provisions for water



PUBLIC

Outreach and education:

- Address misconceptions about bees
- Highlight public benefits



COMPLAINTS

- Documentation of practices
- Resources for assistance
- Steps to mitigate nuisance
- Working with officers



LOCAL GOVERNMENT

- Use of beekeeping records and knowledge of best beekeeping practices to handle conflict.