

# CURRICULAR CODE RULE CHANGES

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## I. Curricular Code Rule Changes

1. All Curricular Code Judging Events will be divided into three groups and each group will be reviewed once every three years. Events in List A will be reviewed at Summer Conference in 2026 and every third year thereafter. Events in List B will be reviewed in 2027 and every third year thereafter. Events in List C will be reviewed in 2025 and every third year thereafter. Any trial event may be reviewed annually for three years and then placed in a normal rotation once it becomes an official state event. Trial event proposals must be submitted to the CATA Governing Board prior to their annual Winter Governing Board meeting. Proposals should contain an analysis of the costs associated with putting on the trial event and a statement from the prospective event administrator or institution indicating a willingness and ability to provide the resources to conduct the event. Proposals submitted to the CATA Governing Board will be circulated to the membership at Spring Regional meetings in a manner similar to the CATA resolution process. Final approval for trial events will be granted by majority vote at the CATA Summer Conference.

### List A

Agricultural Communications  
Agriscience Fair  
Best Informed Greenhand  
Citrus  
Creed Recitation  
Dairy Cattle Judging  
Farm Power and Machinery  
Forestry  
Fruit Tree Judging  
Impromptu Public Speaking  
Livestock Judging  
Marketing  
Parliamentary Procedure and Debate Event  
Poultry Judging

### List B

Agricultural Issues Forum  
Agricultural Sales  
Extemporaneous Public Speaking  
General Rules  
Grapevine Judging\*  
Land Judging  
Meat Judging

Milk Quality & Products  
 Natural Resource Management  
 Nursery/Landscape  
 Prepared Public Speaking  
 Small Engines  
 Vegetable Crop Judging  
 Veterinary Science

List C

Agricultural Mechanics  
 Agricultural Pest Control  
 Agricultural Welding  
 Agronomy  
 Cotton  
 Farm Business Management\*  
 Farm Record Book  
 Floriculture  
 Food Science & Technology  
 Fruit Tree Pruning  
 Grapevine Pruning  
 Job Interview  
 Light Horse Judging  
 Marketing Plan \*

List D – Trial Events

Agricultural Mechanics Fair  
 California Water  
 El Credo de la FFA

\*Event areas on probation

2. CATA Curricular Code Rule Changes relating to events will be made in the following manner:
  1. Procedure - Upon completion of any State FFA Finals, any CATA member may make a proposal for changing the rules. All proposed changes must be received in the Executive Director's office by June 1<sup>st</sup> in electronic format. The Executive Director will send copies to the Operations Division Chairperson, Curricular Code Chairperson, and the individual event chairpersons.
  2. Any request to open events for changes outside their normal rotation must be submitted to the Executive Director, in electronic format, and received by June 1<sup>st</sup>. By majority vote of the Governing Board, a portion or portions of the Curricular Code may be opened for consideration and changed during conference.
  3. Chairperson - The advisor of the first place team in the current state finals event shall function as chairperson of the committee to review and act on any suggested changes for that event. If the advisor of the winning team is unable to attend Summer Conference to function as chairperson of the committee, the chair shall be passed in descending order of placing, i.e., second place advisor, third place advisor until an available advisor is located. It will be the responsibility of the chairperson of the Operations Division to see that a chairperson is located.

4. Secretary - The secretary of the committee shall be a CATA member who coached a team that participated in that State Finals event. The chairperson may choose any coach desired.
5. Committee - The committee shall consist of all CATA members who coached a team that participated in that FFA event.
6. No Suggestions - If there are no suggested rule changes, it will be posted to the CATA website that there are no proposed rule changes.
7. The events open for revision, whether they are on the list or are opened only by the Governing Board, may make changes only to that portion or portions of the event that were submitted for revision.
8. Faculty Advisor - The faculty advisor of the university that sponsors the event will be asked to sit on the committee in an advisory capacity. It will be the chairman's responsibility to notify the faculty advisor if rule changes are being considered and to advise him/her of the meeting date and time.
9. Meeting - The committee shall meet during a scheduled time at Summer Conference to review and act on any rule changes suggested. To reduce the likelihood of conflicts, several different meeting times will be scheduled for each of the different events in order that a coach may attend meetings of more than one event.
10. Proxy - Any coach of a team participating in any FFA event that is unable to participate in the meetings may designate a proxy by writing to the chairperson.
11. Final Authority for Changes - The event committees will formulate the changes for the events reviewed. Their report will be presented directly to the general assembly for discussion, amendments, and final approval. The final authority for Curricular Code changes will be in the CATA Conference General Assembly and will require a majority vote.

## **II. Corrections in Code**

- A. Typographical errors, misspellings and/or omissions, and conflicts with General Rules can be changed or corrected on a yearly basis. Any changes should be submitted to the State CATA Executive Director, who will contact the State FFA Advisor. A memo will be sent out to notify the membership.
- B. The State CATA Office will annually update the schedule of rotations for the individual contests that have sub-contest rotations.