

**RULES
OF
THE TENNESSEE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
ADMINISTRATION**

**CHAPTER 0080-01-04
PAYMENTS**

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- (1) When any check, draft, or order is issued to the department as partial or complete satisfaction of a fee, late charge, civil penalty, copy cost, or administrative cost, and the check, draft, or order is refused for payment because the drawer did not have an account with sufficient funds on deposit with the financial institution or the instrument has an incorrect or insufficient signature, the department may assess a handling charge of \$30 in accordance with T.C.A. § 47-29-102.
- (2) Handling charges assessed under this rule shall be made in addition to, and not in lieu of, any other lawful disciplinary action including but not limited to assessment of late charges, institution of contested case proceedings, and pursuit of recovery for a worthless check under T.C.A. § 39-14-121.
- (3) Nonpayment of any handling charge assessed under this rule shall result in denial of any application for a permit or for renewal of a permit pursuant to T.C.A. § 43-1-703(d).

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