

**21—22.3(160) Requirement for the sale of bees.** All honeybees offered for sale in Iowa must meet one of the following two requirements:

1. Colonies are apparently free of Varroa mites according to the detection methods listed below.
2. Colonies are under treatment with a miticide approved by EPA for control of Varroa mites in honeybee colonies and have an average of 10 or fewer Varroa mites per 300 adult bees or 500 or fewer Varroa mites per sticky board.

Detection methods to be used for the Varroa mite are the ether roll method with at least 300 adult bees per colony from 20 percent of the colonies in the apiary or the sticky board method with an EPA-approved miticide in 5 percent of the colonies in the apiary.