

1 bail, bond or collateral deposited to secure one’s own appearance in a criminal
2 proceeding or having received a withheld judgment, prayer for judgment
3 continued or suspended sentence by a court of competent jurisdiction in this state,
4 in a federal court or another state of any felony, as described by federal or state
5 law, or any criminal act that in any way is related to practicing as a Certified
6 Euthanasia Technician.

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8 *History Note: Authority G.S. 19A-24;*

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10 **02 NCAC 52J .0404 CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS FOR EUTHANASIA**
11 **TECHNICIANS**

- 12 (a) Individuals who perform euthanasia must be trained and qualified as a Certified Euthanasia
13 Technician as set forth in this Section.
14 (b) Individuals seeking certification as a Euthanasia Technician shall submit a written
15 application documenting their qualifications to the Animal Welfare Section, North Carolina
16 Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, 1030 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC
17 27699-1030, on the form provided by the Animal Welfare Section.
18 (c) The Animal Welfare Section shall receive and review all applications for Euthanasia
19 Technician certification and determine whether or not to issue the individual applicant proof of
20 certification in the form of a printed certificate.

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22 *History Note: Authority G.S. 19A-24;*

23
24 **02 NCAC 52J .0405 CERTIFICATION STANDARDS**

25 Applicants for certification as a Certified Euthanasia Technician shall be at least 18 years of age
26 at the date they receive certification. Applicants are not eligible for certification if they have
27 been convicted of a felony offense or a crime or infraction involving animal abuse or neglect and
28 shall demonstrate compliance with this Section.

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30 *History Note: Authority G.S. 19A-24;*

31
32 **02 NCAC 52J .0406 APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS**

33 An applicant for certification shall:

- 34 (1) submit a completed and signed application form;
35 (2) provide a document from an approved Certified Euthanasia Technician trainer
36 establishing that the applicant has completed an approved course, passed the
37 course written examination and passed a practical examination in the specific
38 euthanasia techniques for which the applicant is seeking certification, or provide
39 separate documentation of having taken an approved course and passed the
40 written examination and having passed a practical examination given by a
41 different approved Certified Euthanasia Technician trainer; and
42 (3) specify in the application form the specific euthanasia techniques the applicant is
43 requesting certification.

44
45 *History Note: Authority G.S. 19A-24;*

1 **02 NCAC 52J .0407 TRAINING AND EXAMINATIONS**

2 (a) Training and examinations for euthanasia certification shall consist of:

- 3 (1) Classroom lecture covering the entire list of subjects in Paragraph (b) of this Rule;
- 4 (2) Earning a score of 80 percent correct on a written test provided by the Animal
5 Welfare Section, demonstrating knowledge of the subjects listed in Paragraph (b)
6 of this Rule; and
- 7 (3) Passing a practical examination in each of the euthanasia methods for which the
8 applicant is seeking certification.

9 (b) The Animal Welfare Section shall develop Certified Euthanasia Technician training
10 programs and materials or accredit training programs and materials to be offered by other
11 individuals, schools, agencies or veterinary practices. The programs and materials shall conform
12 to the processes set forth by the American Veterinary Medical Association, the Humane Society
13 of the United States or the American Humane Association and shall include the following topics:

- 14 (1) The theory and history of euthanasia methods and practice;
- 15 (2) Animal anatomy;
- 16 (3) Proper animal restraint, handling and methods for controlling animal stress;
- 17 (4) Proper chemical agent dosages, record keeping and usage documentation,
18 chemical agent, instrument and equipment storage, handling and disposal in
19 accordance with rules and the Code of Federal Regulations;
- 20 (5) Proper injection techniques;
- 21 (6) Proper euthanasia techniques not utilizing injected chemical agents;
- 22 (7) Proper and accurate verification of animal death;
- 23 (8) Proper record keeping;
- 24 (9) Proper disposal of euthanized animals;
- 25 (10) Stress management for euthanasia personnel;
- 26 (11) Proper methods and techniques of euthanasia under extraordinary circumstances;
- 27 (12) Proper methods, techniques and chemicals inducing anesthesia and sedation in
28 animals prior to euthanasia; and
- 29 (13) Proper methods, techniques and chemicals used in the practical examination
30 section for Certified Euthanasia Technician.

31 (c) The Animal Welfare Section shall prepare written examinations to be given to applicants.
32 Following the classroom training detailed in paragraph (b) of this Rule, the applicant shall take a
33 written examination provided by the Animal Welfare Section that will be used by the approved
34 trainer. Those passing the written examination are eligible for the practical examination of the
35 methods of euthanasia for which the applicant seeks certification.

36 (d) The applicant must pass a practical examination on each method of euthanasia for which he
37 or she seeks certification.

38 (e) Applicants for certification in Euthanasia by Injection shall demonstrate the following
39 knowledge and competencies:

- 40 (1) Correctly calculate chemical agent dosage based upon the species, age, weight
41 and condition of the animal;
- 42 (2) Correctly complete all required documentation;
- 43 (3) Correctly draw the properly calculated chemical dosage into a syringe and needle
44 of a type and size appropriate for the animal;
- 45 (4) Correctly administer the chemical agent to the animal;
- 46 (5) Properly perform intravenous and intraperitoneal injections on dogs and

- 1 intravenous or intraperitoneal injections on cats;
- 2 (6) Knowledge of the medical procedures and drugs necessary for an animal to be
- 3 euthanized by cardiac injection;
- 4 (7) Demonstrate ability to verify death by:
- 5 (A) lack of respiration;
- 6 (B) lack of ocular reflexes;
- 7 (C) lack of a heartbeat;
- 8 (8) Knowledge about the human health risks associated with the use of chemical
- 9 agents used for euthanasia including signs and symptoms associated with
- 10 accidental exposure of the Certified Euthanasia Technician;
- 11 (9) Proper first aid for a person accidentally exposed to chemical agents used for
- 12 euthanasia.
- 13 (f) Applicants for certification in Euthanasia by Gas Inhalation shall meet the standards set forth
- 14 in this Paragraph:
- 15 (1) Demonstrate knowledge of the dangers and human health effects of exposure to
- 16 carbon monoxide gas;
- 17 (2) Demonstrate knowledge about which animals Euthanasia by Gas Inhalation is
- 18 approved and which species, age, medical or physical conditions make it
- 19 improper to use Euthanasia by Gas Inhalation;
- 20 (3) Demonstrate proper techniques in placing animals into the chamber;
- 21 (4) Demonstrate knowledge about the maintenance, operation and cleaning of the
- 22 chamber, fittings, gas cylinder, valves, and other parts of the equipment;
- 23 (5) Demonstrate proper operation of the chamber;
- 24 (6) Demonstrate ability to verify death by:
- 25 (A) lack of respiration;
- 26 (B) lack of ocular reflexes;
- 27 (C) lack of a heartbeat;
- 28 (7) Demonstrate knowledge about the human health risks associated with the use of
- 29 carbon monoxide when used for euthanasia. Such knowledge shall also include
- 30 signs and symptoms associated with accidental exposure of the Certified
- 31 Euthanasia Technician;
- 32 (8) Demonstrate knowledge of proper first aid for a person accidentally exposed to
- 33 carbon monoxide used for euthanasia.

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35 *History Note: Authority G.S. 19A-24;*

36

37 **02 NCAC 52J .0408 TRAINERS**

- 38 (a) Certified Euthanasia Technician training shall be provided by the Animal Welfare Section or
- 39 by companies or individuals meeting the following criteria:
- 40 (1) Possess working knowledge of euthanasia conducted according to this Section;
- 41 (2) Have actual experience in euthanasia of animals;
- 42 (3) Have experience training staff in euthanasia; and
- 43 (4) Provide references from individuals or organizations previously trained.
- 44 (b) Information taught shall conform to this Section and the guidelines set forth by the American
- 45 Veterinary Medical Association, the Humane Society of the United States or the American
- 46 Humane Association.

1 (c) Trainers shall disclose to their students and the Animal Welfare Section any affiliations with
2 suppliers of equipment or supplies used in euthanasia.

3 (d) The Animal Welfare Section may make unannounced audit of instruction and testing by
4 trainers.

5 (e) Prior to providing euthanasia training leading to certification as a Euthanasia Technician, the
6 person or company shall obtain approval before each class for its training program from the
7 Animal Welfare Section.

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9 *History Note: Authority G.S. 19A-24;*

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11 **02 NCAC 52J .0409 PROBATIONARY EUTHANASIA TECHNICIANS**

12 An individual who has passed the written exam, but has not taken and passed the practical
13 examination may serve as a Probationary Euthanasia Technician under the direct supervision of:

- 14 (1) a licensed veterinarian; or
15 (2) a Certified Euthanasia Technician

16 for up to three consecutive months or until such time as the next practical euthanasia exam is
17 conducted, whichever is longer. Certified animal shelters employing probationary euthanasia
18 technicians must notify the Animal Welfare Section no later than five days prior to the
19 probationary euthanasia technician's first day serving in that capacity.

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21 *History Note: Authority G.S. 19A-24;*

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23 **02 NCAC 52J .0410 EXAM REQUIRED**

24 An individual who has not passed the written exam may not serve as a Certified Euthanasia
25 Technician or Probationary Euthanasia Technician.

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27 *History Note: Authority G.S. 19A-24;*

28
29 **02 NCAC 52J .0411 NEW APPLICATION**

30 If the individual or applicant fails to pass the practical exam a second time and wishes to apply
31 for certification again, the individual shall submit a new application to the Animal Welfare
32 Section, attend a training program, pass the written exam and take and pass a practical
33 examination on euthanasia. The Animal Welfare Section shall cancel the application of any
34 applicant who fails the written examination twice.

35
36 *History Note: Authority G.S. 19A-24;*

37
38 **02 NCAC 52J .0412 ISSUANCE OF CERTIFICATION**

39 Upon the receipt of materials specified in this Section the Animal Welfare Section shall issue a
40 Certificate.

41
42 *History Note: Authority G.S. 19A-24;*

43
44 **02 NCAC 52J .0413 LENGTH OF CERTIFICATION**

45 A Certificate issued by the Animal Welfare Section is valid for five years from the date of
46 issuance unless it is revoked pursuant to this Section or upon termination of employment or

1 volunteer status as described in this Section.

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3 *History Note: Authority G.S. 19A-24;*

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5 **02 NCAC 52J .0414 TERMINATION OF EMPLOYMENT**

6 Upon termination of employment or volunteer status from a certified facility, a Certified
7 Euthanasia Technician shall not perform animal euthanasia in a certified facility until recertified
8 by the Animal Welfare Section. The Certified Euthanasia Technician's certification shall be
9 cancelled effectively upon termination of employment or volunteer status. No later than 10 days
10 from the date of the termination of a Certified Euthanasia Technician's employment or volunteer
11 status at that certified facility the Certified Euthanasia Technician shall complete a form
12 notifying the Animal Welfare Section of the termination of employment or volunteer status and
13 shall return the form and the Certificate to the Animal Welfare Section.

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15 *History Note: Authority G.S. 19A-24;*

16
17 **02 NCAC 52J .0415 NOTICE OF TERMINATION**

18 A certified facility shall notify the Animal Welfare Section in writing, no later than 10 days from
19 the date of the termination of a Certified Euthanasia Technician's employment or volunteer
20 status at that certified facility.

21
22 *History Note: Authority G.S. 19A-24;*

23
24 **02 NCAC 52J .0416 RECERTIFICATION**

25 (a) If a former Certified Euthanasia Technician is employed or is accepted as a volunteer at a
26 certified facility before the expiration of his certification, the former Certified Euthanasia
27 Technician or employer may request reinstatement of his/her certification from the Animal
28 Welfare Section. The reinstated Certification shall be good for five years from the date of its
29 initial issue.

30 (b) If a former Certified Euthanasia Technician is employed or is accepted as a volunteer at a
31 certified facility after the expiration of his certification, the former Certified Euthanasia
32 Technician may only euthanize animals under the direct supervision of a licensed veterinarian or
33 currently certified euthanasia technician for three months or until he/she passes practical
34 examination whichever is less. The former Certified Euthanasia Technician and the manager of
35 the certified facility shall each notify the Animal Welfare Section within 10 days of the date the
36 former Certified Euthanasia Technician is employed or accepted as a volunteer.

37
38 *History Note: Authority G.S. 19A-24;*

39
40 **02 NCAC 52J .0417 CERTIFICATION RENEWAL**

41 (a) Certifications may be renewed every five years provided that:

- 42 (1) within the 12 months immediately preceding the application for certification
43 renewal the Certified Euthanasia Technician has taken and passed a practical
44 examination for each method of euthanasia for which they are seeking
45 certification renewal;
- 46 (2) the applicant receives up-to-date information about the method of euthanasia for

- 1 which the applicant is seeking certification; and
2 (3) the applicant receives training in stress management.
3 (b) The applicant shall submit an application for certification renewal to the Animal Welfare
4 Section. The application shall be on a form created by the Animal Welfare Section and shall
5 include a document from an approved Certified Euthanasia Technician trainer establishing that
6 the applicant has passed a practical examination in the specific euthanasia techniques for which
7 he or she is seeking certification.
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9 *History Note: Authority G.S. 19A-24;*

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11 **02 NCAC 52J .0418 DUTIES**

12 A Certified Euthanasia Technician may:

- 13 (1) Prepare animals for euthanasia;
14 (2) Record the identification number of the animal, its species, sex, breed description
15 and date, dosages for drugs that are administered and amounts for drugs wasted;
16 (3) Order euthanasia supplies;
17 (4) Maintain the security of all controlled substances and other drugs in accordance
18 with applicable state and federal laws and regulations;
19 (5) Directly supervise probationary Euthanasia Technicians;
20 (6) Report to the appropriate government agencies violations or suspicions of a
21 violation of the Rules in this subchapter or any abuse of drugs;
22 (7) Euthanize animals;
23 (8) Dispose of euthanized animals and expired or unwanted chemical agent(s) or the
24 containers, instruments and equipment used in the administration of drugs in
25 accordance with all applicable federal, state and local laws and regulations; and
26 (9) Notify the Animal Welfare Section as required in this Section upon leaving
27 employment or volunteer status at a covered facility.
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29 *History Note: Authority G.S. 19A-24;*

30
31 **02 NCAC 52J .0419 GROUNDS FOR DISCIPLINE - CERTIFIED EUTHANASIA**
32 **TECHNICIANS**

33 The Department may refuse to issue, renew, or reinstate the certification of a Euthanasia
34 Technician, or may deny, revoke, suspend, sanction, or place on probation, impose other forms
35 of discipline, and enter into consent agreements and negotiated settlements with Certified
36 Euthanasia Technician pursuant to the procedures set forth in G.S. 150B, Article 3, for any of the
37 following reasons:

- 38 (1) Failure to Carry Out Duties. Failure to carry out the duties of a Certified
39 Euthanasia Technician;
40 (2) Abuse of Chemical Substances. Abuse of any drug or chemical substance by:
41 (a) Selling, diverting or giving away drugs or chemical substances;
42 (b) Stealing drugs or chemical substances;
43 (c) Misusing chemical substances; or
44 (d) Abetting anyone in the foregoing activities;
45 (3) Euthanizing animals without supervision as required by this subchapter;
46 (4) Allowing uncertified individuals to euthanize animals;

- 1 (5) Allowing probationary Euthanasia Technicians to euthanize animals outside of
2 the Certified Euthanasia Technician's personal presence;
- 3 (6) Fraud, misrepresentation, or deception in obtaining certification;
- 4 (7) Unethical or Unprofessional Conduct. Unethical or unprofessional conduct
5 means to knowingly engage in conduct of a character likely to deceive or defraud
6 the public. Such conduct includes
7 working in conjunction with any agency or person illegally practicing as a
8 Certified Euthanasia Technician; failing to provide sanitary facilities or apply
9 sanitary procedures for the euthanizing of any animal; euthanizing animals in a
10 manner that endangers the health or welfare of the public; gross ignorance,
11 incompetence or inefficiency in the euthanizing of animals as determined by the
12 practices generally and currently followed and accepted as approved by the
13 American Veterinary Medical Association, the Humane Society of the United
14 States or the American Humane Association; intentionally performing a duty, task
15 or procedure involved in the euthanizing of animals for which the individual is
16 not qualified; and swearing falsely in any testimony or affidavits relating to
17 practicing as a Certified Euthanasia Technician;
- 18 (8) Conviction of any criminal offense as described in this Section;
- 19 (9) Improper Record Keeping. Failure to follow proper record keeping procedures as
20 outlined in the Rules in this subchapter;
- 21 (10) Improper Security and Storage for Chemical Agents. Failure to provide and
22 maintain proper security and storage for euthanasia and restraint drugs as
23 established under applicable United States Drug Enforcement Administration and
24 North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services statutes and rules;
- 25 (11) Improper Disposal of Chemical Agents and Equipment. Failure to dispose of
26 drugs and the containers, instruments and equipment in a manner permitted by
27 this subchapter;
- 28 (12) Improper Labeling of Approved Chemical Agents. Failure to properly label
29 approved euthanasia and restraint chemical agents;
- 30 (13) Revocation, Suspension or Limitation. The revocation, suspension, limitation, of
31 a license, certificate or registration or any other disciplinary action by another
32 state or United States jurisdiction or voluntary surrender of a license, certificate or
33 registration by virtue of which one is licensed, certified or registered to practice as
34 a Certified Euthanasia Technician in that state or jurisdiction on grounds other
35 than nonpayment of the renewal fee;
- 36 (14) Failure of any applicant or certificate holder to cooperate with the North Carolina
37 Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services during any investigation or
38 inspection;
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40 *History Note: Authority G.S. 19A-24;*

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2 **02 NCAC 52J .0604 INDIVIDUAL SEPARATION**

3 Animals shall be individually separated within a euthanasia chamber in a certified facility.
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5 *History Note: Authority G.S. 19A-24;*
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7 **02 NCAC 52J .0605 CHAMBER REQUIREMENTS**

8 (a) A euthanasia chamber in a certified facility shall be located in a well-ventilated place,
9 preferably outdoors.

10 (b) The chamber shall be in good working order.

11 (c) The chamber shall have strong airtight seals around the doors and viewports.

12 (d) The chamber shall have at least one port for viewing of the animals during euthanasia.

13 (e) The chamber shall be lit sufficiently to allow observation of an animal in any part of the
14 chamber.

15 (f) Any chamber electrical wiring or components exposed to carbon monoxide must be
16 warranted by the manufacturer to be explosion proof.

17 (g) Any light inside of the chamber shall be shatterproof.

18 (h) The chamber shall use exhaust ventilation to evacuate the gas from the chamber before the
19 doors are opened upon completion of the process.

20 (i) If the chamber is located outdoors:

21 (1) The exhaust shall be vented at least eight feet above ground level.

22 (2) The minimum stack velocity shall be at least 3,000 feet per minute;

23 (3) If there is a roof above the chamber, the exhaust shall be vented at least three feet
24 above the highest point of the roof; and

25 (4) The exhaust shall not be located within eight feet of any building air intakes.

26 (j) If the chamber is located indoors:

27 (1) The exhaust shall be vented to the outdoors at least three feet above the highest
28 point of the roof;

29 (2) The exhaust shall not be located within eight feet of any building air intakes;

30 (3) The minimum stack velocity shall be at least 3,000 feet per minute; and

31 (4) At least two carbon monoxide detectors shall be placed in the room.
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33 *History Note: Authority G.S. 19A-24;*
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35 **02 NCAC 52J .0606 INSPECTIONS AND RECORDS**

36 (a) Chamber seals, exhaust flow, carbon monoxide monitors and other equipment used in the
37 euthanasia process in certified facilities shall be inspected at least monthly and repaired or
38 replaced as necessary.

39 (b) The chamber must be inspected at least annually by the manufacturer, its authorized
40 representative or an industrial hygienist knowledgeable about the manufacture and operation of
41 the chamber.

42 (c) A record shall be made of each inspection recording the results, the date of the inspection,
43 and the name of the person performing the inspection. The record shall be maintained in the
44 policy and procedure manual for at least two years.
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46 *History Note: Authority G.S. 19A-24;*

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2 **02 NCAC 52J .0607 CLEANING CHAMBER**

3 A euthanasia chamber at a certified facility shall be cleaned between uses.

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5 *History Note: Authority G.S. 19A-24;*
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7 **02 NCAC 52J .0608 OPERATIONAL GUIDES AND INSTRUCTION MANUALS**

8 Current operational guides and maintenance instruction manuals shall be kept in the room with
9 the euthanasia chamber at all times in a certified facility.

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11 *History Note: Authority G.S. 19A-24;*
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13 **02 NCAC 52J .0609 PERSONS REQUIRED TO BE PRESENT**

14 A euthanasia chamber in a certified facility shall not be operated unless a Certified Euthanasia
15 Technician or a veterinarian licensed in North Carolina and one other adult are present at the
16 time of its use.

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18 *History Note: Authority G.S. 19A-24;*
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21 **SECTION .0700 - EXTRAORDINARY CIRCUMSTANCES**

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23 **02 NCAC 52J .0701 METHODS OF EUTHANASIA PERMITTED UNDER**
24 **EXTRAORDINARY CIRCUMSTANCES AND SITUATIONS**

25 For purposes of this section, extraordinary circumstance or situation includes a situation which is
26 offsite from the shelter, in which an animal poses an immediate risk to animal, human or public
27 health and in which no alternative, less extreme measure of euthanasia is feasible. It also
28 includes circumstances or situations in which it would be inhumane to transport an animal to
29 another location to perform euthanasia.

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31 *History Note: Authority G.S. 19A-24;*
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33 **02 NCAC 52J .0702 GUNSHOT OR OTHER METHODS**

34 Under extraordinary circumstances and situations which occur offsite from the shelter, a shelter
35 employee may use gunshot or other extreme method of euthanasia as set forth in the American
36 Veterinary Medical Association, Humane Society of the United States or American Humane
37 Association Guidelines incorporated by reference in 02 NCAC 52J .0401.

38
39 *History Note: Authority G.S. 19A-24;*
40

41 **02 NCAC 52J .0703 METHODS AND STANDARDS**

42 Methods of euthanasia used by a certified facility under an extraordinary circumstance or
43 situation must be approved by the American Veterinary Medical Association, the Humane
44 Society of the United States or the American Humane Association for use on that species of
45 animal and must conform to standards set forth by that organization.
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1 *History Note: Authority G.S. 19A-24;*
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3 **02 NCAC 52J .0704 TECHNICIAN NOT REQUIRED**

4 If an extraordinary circumstance or situation occurs and euthanasia is necessary, the person
5 performing the euthanasia is not required to be a Certified Euthanasia Technician at a certified
6 facility.
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8 *History Note: Authority G.S. 19A-24;*
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10 **02 NCAC 52J .0705 REPORTS**

11 A licensee or registrant shall prepare a report of any euthanasia performed under extraordinary
12 circumstances or situations, and keep the report on file for at least two years. The report shall
13 include the date, time, identification of the animal, the name of the person performing the final
14 euthanasia, the method of euthanasia and the reason for euthanasia of the animal as permitted by
15 this Section.
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17 *History Note: Authority G.S. 19A-24;*
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20 **SECTION .0800 – POLICY AND PROCEDURE MANUAL**
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22 **02 NCAC 52J .0801 MANUAL REQUIRED**

23 Any animal shelter performing euthanasia shall have a current policy and procedure manual
24 about euthanasia.
25

26 *History Note: Authority G.S. 19A-24;*
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28 **02 NCAC 52J .0802 CONTENTS**

29 The policy and procedure manual shall set forth the shelter’s equipment, process, and the
30 procedures for individual separation of animals.
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32 *History Note: Authority G.S. 19A-24;*
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34 **02 NCAC 52J .0803 ADDITIONAL CONTENTS**

35 A certified facility’s policy and procedure manual shall be kept consistent with the publications
36 listed below and reflect the current information for each. The manual shall include:

- 37 (1) A copy of the current North Carolina Animal Welfare Act and the rules in this
38 subchapter;
- 39 (2) A copy of the 2000 Report of the American Veterinary Medical Association Panel
40 on Euthanasia and any future revisions, replacements, supplements or changes
41 thereto issued by that organization;
- 42 (3) A current copy of the Euthanasia Training Manual of the Humane Society of the
43 United States;
- 44 (4) A copy of the publication on euthanasia by the American Humane Association;
- 45 (5) A list of methods of euthanasia allowed at the shelter and the policy and
46 procedures for each method;

- 1 (6) A list of Certified Euthanasia Technicians, the methods of euthanasia in which
- 2 they have received training, and the date of training;
- 3 (7) The name, address and contact information for the veterinarian responsible for the
- 4 Annual Program of Veterinary Care;
- 5 (8) The name, address and contact information for veterinarians responsible for the
- 6 veterinary medical care of the animals. The contact information shall include
- 7 telephone numbers for working hours, weekends, nights and holidays;
- 8 (9) Euthanasia procedure to use in emergencies, after hours, holidays and weekends;
- 9 (10) Procedures to follow if no Certified Euthanasia Technician is present and
- 10 euthanasia of an animal is necessary;
- 11 (11) Methods of verifying death of an animal after a euthanasia process is performed;
- 12 (12) The name and contact information of the supplier of materials. It shall include:
- 13 (a) Bottled gas (if applicable);
- 14 (b) Manufacturer of the chamber used to euthanize animals by inhalant gas (if
- 15 applicable);
- 16 (c) Injectable euthanasia solution;
- 17 (d) Tranquilizer or anesthetic solution;
- 18 (13) Original of U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration certification permitting the
- 19 use of controlled substances;
- 20 (14) A material safety data sheet for any chemical or gas used for euthanasia in that
- 21 shelter;
- 22 (15) A material safety data sheet for any anesthetic or tranquilizer used in that facility;
- 23 (16) Notice of the signs and symptoms associated with human exposure to the agents
- 24 used for euthanasia at the facility;
- 25 (17) First aid for people accidentally exposed to the agents used for euthanasia at the
- 26 facility; and
- 27 (18) Contact information of the physician or medical facility providing medical
- 28 treatment to employees of the facility. The information shall include the name of
- 29 the medical facility, the telephone number for both working and after-hours
- 30 contact and directions to the medical facility from the certified facility including a
- 31 map. If the medical facility does not provide service after-hours, on weekends or
- 32 on holidays, there must be contact information as described in this item for the
- 33 nearest medical facility, urgent care clinic or emergency room that does provide
- 34 care during that time.
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History Note: Authority G.S. 19A-24;