02 NCAC 48C .0117 INSPECTION AND STOP SALE ACTION OF SEED INSPECTORS

(a) All seeds defined as "seed offered for sale" in the North Carolina Seed Law, including seeds in containers bearing seed tags issued by a recognized certifying agency, are subject to inspection and all other provisions of the North Carolina Seed Law and the rules adopted thereunder by the Board of Agriculture.

(b) Upon determining a lot of seeds is in violation of the North Carolina Seed Law, the seed inspector is authorized to issue a stop-sale order on said lot of seed. The stop-sale order shall contain the complete identification of the seed lot and the number of bags or containers under stop-sale.

(c) When a stop-sale order is issued on a lot of seed, the inspector shall attach a stop-sale tag to one bag or container of said lot. The stop-sale tag shall not be removed, nor any bags or containers of the lot sold or removed from the premises, until permission to do so is obtained from the Commissioner of Agriculture or his authorized agent.

History Note: Authority G.S. 106-277.15; Eff. February 1, 1976; Transferred from T02.11C Eff. January 1, 1985; Amended Eff. October 1, 1993; Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. March 26, 2017.