

10A NCAC 13C .1302 STERILIZATION PROCEDURES

- (a) Policies and procedures shall be established in writing for storage, maintenance and distribution of sterile supplies and equipment.
- (b) Sterile supplies and equipment shall not be mixed with unsterile supplies, and shall be stored in dust proof and moisture free units. They shall be properly labeled.
- (c) Sterilizing equipment shall be available and of the necessary type and capacity to sterilize instruments and operating room materials, as well as laboratory equipment and supplies. The sterilizing equipment shall have design control and safety features intact. The accuracy of instrumentation and equipment shall be checked quarterly by any professionally recognized method and periodic calibration and preventive maintenance shall be provided as necessary, and a log maintained.
- (d) The date of expiration shall be marked on all supplies sterilized in the facility.

*History Note: Authority G.S. 131E-149;
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