

02 NCAC 43E .0104 APPLICATION FOR PERMITS

(a) The application for a permit as a handler of fruits and vegetables, on all spring crops, must be filed in writing with the Commissioner of Agriculture, along with two copies of the applicant's proposed contract, on or before March 1 of each year.

(b) The application for permit as a handler of fruits and vegetables on all fall crops must be filed in writing with the Commissioner of Agriculture, along with two copies of the applicant's proposed contract on or before July 31 of each year.

(c) Applications should be sent to:

Markets Division

North Carolina Department of Agriculture

Post Office Box 27647

Raleigh, North Carolina 27611

(d) The amount of a handler's bond is set in accordance with the estimated gross value of the product or products contracted.

(e) The maximum bond will be fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000).

(f) A new bond may be required or the existing bond may be increased as follows:

- (1) by 50 percent when payment is not made within the time specified in the contract for the previous year's crop;
- (2) by 50 percent on the handler's first violation of any term in his contract.

*History Note: Authority G.S. 106-496; 106-497; 106-498; 106-500(3);
Eff. August 1, 1982;
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