

02 NCAC 48A .0210 HEALTH CERTIFICATES

Health certificates shall be granted as follows:

- (1) For queen breeders, package bee shippers, and nuclei producers in North Carolina:
 - (a) The beekeeper shall have an inspector inspect all of the bees owned or operated by the beekeeper at least one time a year at a time the bees are actively rearing brood;
 - (b) All frames of brood shall be inspected in each hive;
 - (c) If no disease is found, the State Apiarist shall issue a North Carolina health certificate dated to expire in 12 months after issuance;
 - (d) If disease is found the disease shall be eradicated or suppressed by destruction of hives, fumigation, or other means approved by the inspector;
 - (e) The inspector must wait 30 days after the disease has been eradicated or suppressed before performing a re-inspection for health certification purposes;
 - (f) Where there is danger of infection the health certificate may be dated to expire at the discretion of the State Apiarist or may be revoked for cause.
- (2) For certification of bees to be moved from North Carolina:
 - (a) The inspector will inspect the bees according to the entry requirements of the destination state or country;
 - (b) A uniform health certificate will be issued if the disease freedom requirements of the destination state are met;
 - (c) The State Apiarist may make any additional declarations for which he has supporting data if required by the destination state;
 - (d) The inspector may mark or stamp hives that are disease-free if such is required by the destination state.

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