

**02 NCAC 48A .0216 FUMIGATION OR STERILIZATION OF APIARY EQUIPMENT**

- (a) The State Apiarist may allow fumigation or sterilization of diseased bee equipment in lieu of destruction.
- (b) If fumigation by private sources is not readily available, the State Apiarist may provide and operate the chamber for fumigation of diseased bee equipment in lieu of destruction. The beekeeper shall pay for the cost of the fumigant used in these and all fumigations made at request of the beekeeper.
- (c) The State Apiarist may perform other fumigations without charge for research and methods improvement and in some cases where sterilization or disinfection is not required the inspector may fumigate materials of questionable hazard as a buffer or supplement to a disease clean-up without charge.
- (d) The State Apiarist shall dispose of honey, wax or bee equipment abandoned in connection with the fumigation program in a manner such that there is no disease spread hazard.

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