

**02 NCAC 48A .0608      REPORTING OF ACREAGE: LOCATION OF COTTON ACREAGE**

All cotton farm operators and growers of noncommercial cotton in an elimination zone shall submit a Cotton Acreage Reporting Form by July 1 of the current growing season to the county ASCS office. A report shall be filed for each year of participation in the program.

- (1) Noncommercial cotton shall not be planted in an elimination zone except under the conditions of a compliance agreement. Growers of noncommercial cotton in an elimination zone may apply for a waiver to grow cotton in an elimination zone. Applications, in writing, shall be made to the Plant Pest Administrator stating the conditions for requesting such waiver. The decision whether or not to waive all or part of these requirements shall be based on the following:
  - (a) location of growing area;
  - (b) size of growing area;
  - (c) pest conditions in the growing area;
  - (d) accessibility of growing area;
  - (e) any stipulations set forth in a compliance agreement between the individual and the Department of Agriculture that are necessary for the effectuation of the program.
- (2) Written application for waivers shall be made to the Plant Pest Administrator for review.

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