

## **02 NCAC 52J .0403      DEFINITIONS**

As used in this Subchapter:

- (1) "Certified Euthanasia Technician" means a person who has:
  - (a) been instructed in the proper methods of humane euthanasia, security and records keeping;
  - (b) has passed the written examination and the practical examination pursuant to 02 NCAC 52J .0410;
  - (c) has been issued a Euthanasia Technician Certificate pursuant to 02 NCAC 52J .0412; and
  - (d) is employed by a certified facility.
- (2) "Certified facility" means a registered animal shelter that employs at least one Certified Euthanasia Technician or North Carolina ('NC') licensed veterinarian to perform euthanasia on animals at that facility.
- (3) "Approved Certified Euthanasia Technician trainer" means an individual who has received permission from the Animal Welfare Section to provide training to applicants or individuals seeking to be Certified Euthanasia Technicians and has met the criteria pursuant to 02 NCAC 52J .0408.
- (4) "Chemical Agent" means any chemical approved by the American Veterinary Medical Association and/or the Humane Society of the United States which is used to induce death.
- (5) "Applicant" means a person who has submitted an application to the Animal Welfare Section (AWS) seeking certification as a Certified Euthanasia Technician, pursuant to Rule .0412 of this Section.
- (6) "Conviction of a criminal offense" means having been convicted or entered a plea of guilty or nolo contendere to any offense described in G.S. 19A-24(b)(7).
- (7) Euthanasia by injection ('EBI') means the injection of an approved commercially-manufactured euthanasia medication via an intravenous, intraperitoneal or intracardiac (subject to additional conditions) injection into an animal to cause the death of that animal.

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