

**02 NCAC 62 .0105            LICENSES**

- (a) A license to cultivate industrial hemp in North Carolina issued by the Industrial Hemp Commission shall allow the license holder to obtain seed pursuant to these Rules for planting, possess seed for planting, cultivate the crop, harvest plant parts, possess and store harvested plant parts, and transport plant parts to a market for sale.
- (b) Two types of licenses shall be issued by the Commission for cultivation of industrial hemp in North Carolina:
  - (1) Research Only – for a university or government agency to cultivate industrial hemp for purposes of research only, with no intention to market the final product; and
  - (2) Research with Intent to Market – for a university, government agency, or private entity working with a university to cultivate industrial hemp with intent to market a final product.
- (c) Applications for cultivation of industrial hemp in North Carolina may be made at any time during the year.
- (d) Applications shall be handled and processed by the North Carolina Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services' Plant Industry Division and reviewed for approval or denial at the next scheduled meeting of the Industrial Hemp Commission.
- (e) Licenses may be applied for and issued for one or three years and shall be valid for twelve or 36 months after the date of issue, whichever is applicable.
- (f) Failure to comply with any of these Rules or the provisions of G.S. 106-568.53A shall result in an automatic revocation of the license for the remaining period of the license.
- (g) An analytical testing of THC levels greater than 0.3% shall not result in revocation of a license so long as the crop is destroyed in accordance with these Rules.

*History Note:*     *Authority G.S. 106-568.53(2);  
Temporary Adoption Eff. February 24, 2017. (Codifier's Note: This Rule shall remain in effect until the permanent rule that replaces the temporary rule becomes effective. See S.L. 2016-93, s. 7).*