02 NCAC 34 .0904 is amended as published in 36:21 NCR 1684-1685 as follows:

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02 NCAC 34 .0904 PROHIBITED ACTS

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- 5 (a) No reference shall be made by any certified applicator, licensee, business establishment, or business entity in any
- 6 form of advertising that would indicate approval, endorsement, or recommendation by the Committee or by any
- 7 agency of the federal government or North Carolina State, county, or city government.
- 8 (b) The use of a structural pest control license(s), certified applicator's identification card(s), registered technician's
- 9 identification card(s), or licensee identification card(s) for any purpose other than identification is prohibited.
- 10 (c) In solicitation of structural pest control business, no licensee or his or her employees shall claim that inspections
- or treatments are required, authorized, or endorsed by any agency of the federal government or North Carolina State,
- 12 county, or city government unless said agency states that an inspection or treatment is required for a specific structure.
- 13 (d) No licensee shall advertise, in any way or manner, as a contractor for structural pest control services, in any
- phase(s) of work for which he or she does not hold a valid license(s) as provided for under G.S. 106-65.25(a), unless
- said licensee shall hold a valid certified applicator's identification card or registered technician's identification card,
- as provided for under G.S. 106-65.31, as an employee of a person who does hold a valid state license(s) covering
- 17 phases of structural pest control work advertised.
- 18 (e) The impersonation of any North Carolina State, county, or city inspector or any other governmental official is
- 19 prohibited.
- 20 (f) No licensee, certified applicator or registered technician's identification card holder shall advertise or hold himself
- 21 or herself out in any manner in connection with the practice of structural pest control as an entomologist, plant
- 22 pathologist, horticulturist, public health engineer, sanitarian, unless such person shall be qualified in such field(s) by
- 23 required professional and educational standards for the title used.
- 24 (g) No certified applicator, licensee, or his or her employees shall represent to any property owner or his or her
- authorized agent or occupant of any structure that any specific pest is infesting said any property, structure, or
- 26 surrounding areas thereof, unless strongly supporting visible evidence of such infestation exists.
- 27 (h) No certified applicator or licensee applicator, licensee, or their employees shall authorize, direct, assist, or aid in
- 28 the publication, advertisement, distribution, or circulation of any material by false statement or representation
- 29 concerning the licensee's structural pest control business or business of the company with which he or she is employed.
- 30 (i) No certified applicator or licensee applicator, licensee, or their employees shall advertise or contract in a company
- 31 name style contradictory to that shown on the certified applicator's identification card or license certificate; provided,
- however, when there is a sale of a business or other name change the company may use both names together for a
- period not to exceed three years from the date of the name change or sale of business.
- 34 (j) No certified applicator shall use any name style on his or her certified applicator's identification card which contains
- 35 the words "exterminating", "exterminating." "pest control," or any other words which imply that he or she provides
- 36 pest control services for a valuable consideration unless he or she is a licensee or a duly authorized agent or employee
- 37 of a licensee.

- 1 (k) No licensee issued an inactive license shall engage in any phase of structural pest control under such an inactive
- 2 license issued by the committee.
- 3 (1) No licensee, certified applicator, or registered technician shall indicate on any foundation diagram prepared
- 4 pursuant to 02 NCAC 34 .0601 or 02 NCAC 34 .0605 that hidden damage or possible hidden damage due to any
- 5 wood-destroying organism exists in a structure unless there is visible evidence of infestation or damage present in the
- 6 immediate area of the alleged hidden damage.

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- 7 (m) No pesticide shall be applied for the purpose of performing structural pest control when the conditions at the site
- 8 of application favor drift or runoff from the target site.
- 9 (n) A final order imposing civil liability under Section 14(a) of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide
- 10 Act (FIFRA) (7 USC 136l(a)) against any licensee, certified applicator, or non-certified applicator, or a criminal
- 11 conviction, entry of a plea of guilty, or of nolo contender contender under Section 14(b) of FIFRA (7 USC)
- 12 136l(b)), by a licensee, certified applicator, or non-certified applicator shall constitute grounds for the denial,
- suspension, or revocation of any license or certification issued by the committee.

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15 History Note: Authority G.S. <u>106-65.23</u>; 106-65.29; Eff. July 1, 1976; 16 17 Readopted Eff. November 22, 1977; 18 Amended Eff. January 1, 1991 January 1, 1989; August 20, 1980; 19 Temporary Amendment Eff. July 10, 1995 for a period of 120 days or until the permanent rule 20 becomes effective, whichever is sooner; 21 Amended Eff. August 1, 2002; July 1, 1998; November 1, 1995; 22 Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. November 23 22, 2018.