

**02 NCAC 48B .0122      ORGANIC FERTILIZERS**

- (a) A person who distributes a natural organic fertilizer which is not a mixed fertilizer shall identify the fertilizer material by its commonly accepted name (e.g., sewage sludge, tankage, etc.) in the registration, labeling and sale of such fertilizer, and shall not use any other name to identify the fertilizer material.
- (b) For an organic fertilizer, at least 15 percent of the total nitrogen must be water insoluble nitrogen.
- (c) If an amount of nitrogen is specifically designated as organic, then at least 60 percent of the nitrogen must be water insoluble or slow-release. Coated urea may not be included to meet the 60 percent requirement.

*History Note:*      *Authority G.S. 106-660(a); 106-673;*  
                         *Eff. January 1, 1985;*  
                         *Amended Eff. January 1, 1992;*  
                         *Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. March 24,*  
                         *2019.*