

19A NCAC 02E .0904 LOCATION, INSTALLATION AND MAINTENANCE/NEWSPAPER DISPENSERS

Any newspaper dispenser which in whole or in part rests upon, in or over rest areas or welcome centers shall comply with the following standard:

- (1) Newspaper dispensers shall not exceed five feet in height, 36 inches in width, or 30 inches in depth;
- (2) Newspaper dispensers may be chained or otherwise attached to one another; however, no more than three newspaper dispensers may be joined together in this manner, and a space of no less than 18 inches shall separate each group of three newspaper dispensers so attached.
- (3) No newspaper dispenser shall be used for advertising signs or publicity purposes other than that dealing with the display, sale or purchase of a newspaper or periodical sold therein.
- (4) Every newspaper dispenser placed at a rest area or welcome center shall have affixed thereto in a place where such information may be easily seen, the name, address, and telephone number of the owner and person (if different from the owner) responsible for maintaining the news dispenser.
- (5) No newspaper dispenser shall be chained, bolted or otherwise attached to any public fixture located within the State highway right of way, including, but not limited to, official signs, sign supports, guide rails, traffic signal supports, highway lighting supports, controller boxes, fire hydrants or bus shelters.
- (6) Newspaper dispensers shall be securely place so as to reasonably prevent personal injury or property damage due to tilting, tipping or overturning.
- (7) Every newspaper dispenser shall be maintained so that:
 - (a) It is reasonably free of dirt and grease.
 - (b) It is reasonably free of chipped, faded, peeling and cracked paint;
 - (c) It is reasonably free of rust and corrosion; and
 - (d) The structural parts thereof are intact.
- (8) No newspaper dispenser shall be within five feet of a fire hydrant, fire call box, police call box or any other emergency facility.
- (9) No newspaper dispenser shall be placed in lobbies of rest areas or welcome centers or along the sidewalk on the approach to the rest area or welcome center building. Newspaper dispensers also are not allowed under the roof overhangs of these buildings.
- (10) No newspaper dispenser shall be placed in such a way that it impedes vehicular, pedestrian or handicapped person movements on drive and walkways, at telephones, trash receptacles, water fountains, to and from picnic areas or to and from rest area and welcome centers service buildings.
- (11) No newspaper dispenser shall be placed along the curbs adjacent to parking areas. When a news dispenser is placed along a sidewalk it shall be placed parallel to and no more than six inches from the sidewalk edge farthest from the traffic curb.
- (12) Where vending facilities are in existence at rest areas or welcome centers, the newspaper dispensers shall be placed in close proximity to those buildings.
- (13) Where vending facilities are planned at a rest area or welcome center, the newspaper dispensers shall be placed near the planned location of the vending facility.

*History Note: Authority G.S. 136-18(9);
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