



CHAPTER 14
ARTICLE 22 - DAMAGES AND OTHER OFFENSES TO LAND AND FIXTURES

N.C.G.S. § 14-127.1.

Graffiti vandalism.

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§ 14-127.1(a) As used in this section, "graffiti vandalism" means to unlawfully write or scribble on, mark, paint, deface, or besmear the walls of (i) any real property, whether public or private, including cemetery tombstones and monuments, (ii) any public building or facility as defined in G.S. 14-132, or (iii) any statue or monument situated in any public place, by any type of pen, paint, or marker regardless of whether the pen or marker contains permanent ink, paint, or spray paint.

§ 14-127.1(b) Except as otherwise provided in this section, any person who engages in graffiti vandalism is guilty of a Class 1 misdemeanor. A person convicted of a Class 1 misdemeanor under this subsection shall be fined a minimum of five hundred dollars (\$500.00) and, if community or intermediate punishment is imposed, shall be required to perform 24 hours of community service.

§ 14-127.1(c) Any person who violates subsection (a) of this section shall be guilty of a Class H felony if all of the following apply:

CLASS H FELONY

- (1) The person has two or more prior convictions for violation of this section.
- (2) The current violation was committed after the second conviction for violation of this section.
- (3) The violation resulting in the second conviction was committed after the first conviction for violation of this section. (2015-72, s. 1.)

APPARATUS II
1 AUTHORITY

Authorities referenced

Every G.S. cross-reference appearing in the text of this section, in order of first appearance. Nothing is characterized; the operative language is quoted from the section itself.

REFERENCE	APPEARS IN	OPERATIVE LANGUAGE IN THIS SECTION
G.S. 14-132, or (iii)	(a)	"building or facility as defined in"

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Citation

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