



CHAPTER 14

ARTICLE 52 - MISCELLANEOUS POLICE REGULATIONS

N.C.G.S. § 14-401.11.

Distribution of certain food or beverage prohibited.

SOURCE	LAST AMENDMENT IN THIS TEXT	RETRIEVED	SOURCE FINGERPRINT
General Statutes of North Carolina, as published by the General Assembly	S.L. 2019-245, s. 6(b) — ninth act in the lineage	21 September 2026, 02:20 UTC	bfe7a800f9837edd60941b20 - 4e0284cfe1a4fa19fda21031 - afe0afa447291dfa

§ 14-401.11(a)

It shall be unlawful for any person to knowingly distribute, sell, give away or otherwise cause to be placed in a position of human accessibility or ingestion, any food, beverage, or other eatable or drinkable substance which that person knows to contain any of the following:

- (1) Any noxious or deleterious substance, material or article which might be injurious to a person's health or might cause a person any physical discomfort.
- (2) Any controlled substance included in any schedule of the Controlled Substances Act.
- (3) Any poisonous chemical or compound or any foreign substance such as, but not limited to, razor blades, pins, and ground glass, which might cause death, serious physical injury or serious physical pain and discomfort.

§ 14-401.11(b)

Penalties.

CLASS I / H / F / C
FELONY

- (1) Any person violating the provisions of G.S. 14-401.11(a)(1):

a. Where the actual or possible effect on a person eating or drinking the food, beverage, or other substance was or would be limited to mild physical discomfort without any lasting effect, shall be guilty of a Class I felony.

b. Where the actual or possible effect on a person eating or drinking the food, beverage, or other substance was or would be greater than mild physical discomfort without any lasting effect, shall be punished as a Class H felon.

- (2) Any person violating the provisions of G.S. 14-401.11(a)(2) shall be punished as a Class F felon.
- (3) Any person violating the provisions of G.S. 14-401.11(a)(3) shall be punished as a Class C felon.

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APPARATUS I
9 ACTS

Amendment lineage

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1971

1995

2019

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Nº	YEAR	ACT	CHARACTER
01	1971	c. 564	ENACTED
02	1973	c. 540, s. 1	AMENDED
03	1979	c. 760, s. 5	AMENDED
04	1979	2nd Sess., c. 1316, s. 47	AMENDED
05	1981	c. 63, s. 1	AMENDED
06	1981	c. 179, s. 14	AMENDED
07	1993	c. 539, s. 1242	AMENDED
08	1994	Ex. Sess., c. 24, s. 14(c)	AMENDED
09	2019	S.L. 2019-245, s. 6(b)	AMENDED

APPARATUS II
3 AUTHORITIES

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. 14-401.11(a)(1)	(b)(1)	"Any person violating the provisions of"
G.S. 14-401.11(a)(2)	(b)(2)	"Any person violating the provisions of"
G.S. 14-401.11(a)(3)	(b)(3)	"Any person violating the provisions of"

APPARATUS III

Citation

FULL SECTION

N.C. Gen. Stat. § 14-401.11 (2019).

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