



CHAPTER 15A
ARTICLE 11 - SEARCH WARRANTS

N.C.G.S. § 15A-248.

Time of execution of a search warrant.

SOURCE General Statutes of North Carolina, as published by the General Assembly	LAST AMENDMENT IN THIS TEXT c. 1286, s. 1 — first act in the lineage	RETRIEVED 21 September 2026, 02:29 UTC	SOURCE FINGERPRINT 16e8a0ca744f246b8b03c867 - d5f8536878d72acbe05b6a9b - 1468b23fae7cddb6
--	---	---	--

A search warrant must be executed within 48 hours from the time of issuance. Any warrant not executed within that time limit is void and must be marked "not executed" and returned without unnecessary delay to the clerk of the issuing court.

END OF SECTION TEXT

APPARATUS FOLLOWS — DERIVED, NOT ENACTED

APPARATUS I
1 ACT

Amendment lineage

The State prints this history as a single parenthetical at the foot of the section. It is reproduced verbatim in the colophon and unpacked below in order of enactment.

1 1973 TICK HEIGHT = ACTS IN THAT YEAR DASHED = RECODIFICATION, NOT AMENDMENT 1974			
Nº	YEAR	ACT	CHARACTER
01	1973	c. 1286, s. 1	ENACTED

APPARATUS III

Citation

FULL SECTION

N.C. Gen. Stat. § 15A-248 (1973).

Pinpoint keys are set in the left margin of the text rather than line numbers: subsection designators are stable across editions and paper sizes, line numbers are not.

COLOPHON

Provenance

This document reproduces the text of one section of the General Statutes of North Carolina from a source file whose SHA-256 digest is printed on every page. The digest fixes the bytes this export was made from; if the State's file changes, the digest will not match.

The text of the section is unaltered. Subsection designators have been moved from the run of text into the margin. The amendment history and the table of authorities are derived from the section by mechanical extraction — they add no characterization of the law.

This is not the official text. The official text is published by the General Assembly of North Carolina.

HISTORY PARENTHETICAL, AS PRINTED BY THE STATE
(1973, c. 1286, s. 1.)

SET IN SPECTRAL AND ARCHIVO
NORTH CAROLINA LAW — STATUTE EXPORT, FORMAT V1

