



CHAPTER 19A
ARTICLE 1 - CIVIL REMEDY FOR PROTECTION OF ANIMALS

N.C.G.S. § 19A-1.

Definitions.

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The following definitions apply in this Article:

The term "animals" includes every living vertebrate in the classes Amphibia, Reptilia, Aves, and Mammalia except human beings.

The terms "cruelty" and "cruel treatment" include every act, omission, or neglect whereby unjustifiable physical pain, suffering, or death is caused or permitted.

The term "person" has the same meaning as in G.S. 12-3.

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APPARATUS I
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02	1979	c. 808, s. 2	AMENDED
03	1995	c. 509, s. 19	AMENDED
04	2003	S.L. 2003-208, s. 1	AMENDED

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. 12-3	(null)(3)	<i>"has the same meaning as in"</i>

APPARATUS III

Citation

FULL SECTION
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