



CHAPTER 87
ARTICLE 8A - UNDERGROUND UTILITY SAFETY AND DAMAGE PREVENTION ACT

N.C.G.S. § 87-125.

Notice in case of emergency excavation or demolition.

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- § 87-125(a)

An excavator performing an emergency excavation or demolition is not required to give notice to the Notification Center as provided in G.S. 87-122. However, the excavator shall, as soon as practicable, give notice to the Notification Center which shall include a description of the circumstances justifying the emergency. The excavator may request emergency assistance from each affected operator in locating and providing immediate protection to the facilities in the affected area.
- § 87-125(b)

The declaration of an emergency excavation or demolition shall not relieve any party of liability for causing damage to an operator's facilities even if those facilities are unmarked.
- § 87-125(c)

Any person who falsely claims that an emergency exists requiring an excavation or demolition shall have violated the provisions of this Article, which shall be punishable as a Class 3 misdemeanor and may subject the violator to the imposition of penalties or other action to be taken by the Board pursuant to G.S. 87-129. (2013-407, s. 2; 2019-189, s. 1.)

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2 AUTHORITIES Authorities referenced

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REFERENCE	APPEARS IN	OPERATIVE LANGUAGE IN THIS SECTION
G.S. 87-122	(a)	<i>"the Notification Center as provided in"</i>
G.S. 87-129	(c)	<i>"taken by the Board pursuant to"</i>

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Citation

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