10A NCAC 13K .1207 is proposed for readoption with substantive changes as follows:

10A NCAC 13K .1207  HOSPICE INPATIENT REQUIREMENTS FOR HEATING/AIR CONDITIONING

Heating and cooling systems shall meet the current American Society of Heating, Refrigeration, and Air Conditioning Engineers Guide and National Fire Protection Association Code 90A, which is hereby adopted by reference pursuant to G.S. 150B-14(c), with the following modification: A facility shall provide heating and cooling systems complying with the following:

1. Soiled linen, bathrooms, janitor closets and soiled utility rooms must have negative pressure with relationship to adjacent areas. The American National Standards Institute and American Society of Heating, Refrigerating, and Air Conditioning Engineers Standard 170: Ventilation of Health Care Facilities, which is incorporated by reference, including all subsequent amendments and editions, and may be purchased for a cost of ninety-four dollars ($94.00) online at https://www.techstreet.com/ashrae/index.html. This incorporation does not apply to Section 9.1, Table 9-1 Design Temperature for Skilled Nursing Facility. The environmental temperature control systems shall be capable of maintaining temperatures in the facility at 71 degrees F. minimum in the heating season and a maximum of 81 degrees F. during non-heating season, even upon loss of utility power, and

2. Clean linen, clean utility and drug rooms must have positive pressure with relationship to adjacent areas. The National Fire Protection Association 90A: Standard for the Installation of Air-Conditioning and Ventilating Systems, which is incorporated by reference, including all subsequent amendments and editions, and may be purchased at a cost of fifty dollars and fifty cents ($50.50) from the National Fire Protection Association online at http://www.nfpa.org/catalog/ or accessed electronically free of charge at http://www.nfpa.org/aboutthecodes/AboutTheCodes.asp?DocNum=90A.

(3) All areas not covered in Paragraphs (1) and (2) of this Rule must have neutral pressure.

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