## **Dead Animal Disposal**

## CITY

City Public Works employees remove dead animals from town roads within the town limits. The town does not remove animals from private roads or property. To report a dead animal in the road in the city limits, call your town hall office.

## COUNTY

For removal of dead animals on roads outside the town's limits, call the N.C. Department of Transportation at (910) 296-2333.

If you observe a hazardous situation during nonworking hours, call 911.

Dead Pet Disposal, County Landfill 910-289-3091 Call first before going out

City Animal Control call your city town hall

Cremations of a Pet Call any Veterinary

NC General Statutes § 106-403.\_ (Effective October 1, 2009) Disposition of dead domesticated animals.

It shall be the duty of the owner or person in charge of any of his domesticated animals that die from any cause and the owner, lessee, or person in charge of any land upon which any domesticated animals die, to bury the same to a depth of at least three feet beneath the surface of the ground within 24 hours after knowledge of the death of said domesticated animals, or to otherwise dispose of the same in a manner approved by the State Veterinarian. It shall be a violation of this statute to bury any dead domesticated animal closer than 300 feet to any flowing stream or public body of water. It shall be unlawful for any person to remove the carcasses of dead domesticated animals from his premises to the premises of any other person without the written permission of the person having charge of such premises and without burying said carcasses as above provided. The governing body of each municipality shall designate some appropriate person whose duty it shall be to provide for the removal and disposal, according to the provisions of this section, of any dead domesticated animals located within the limits of the municipality when the owner or owners of said animals cannot be determined. The board of commissioners of each county shall designate some appropriate person whose duty it shall be to provide for the removal and disposal, according to the provisions of this section, of any dead domesticated animals located within the limits of the county, but without the limits of any municipality, when the owner or owners of said animals cannot be determined. All costs incurred by a municipality or county in the removal of a dead domesticated animal shall be recoverable from the owner of such animal upon admission of ownership or conviction. "Domesticated animal" as used herein shall include poultry. (1919, c. 36; C.S., s. 4488; 1927, c. 2; 1939, c. 360, s. 4; 1971, c. 567, ss. 1, 2; 2001-12, s. 9; 2003-6, s. 1; 2005-21, s. 1