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Roadside Produce Stands Exempt from the Building Code

Code: 2018 NC Building Code
Section: 101.2

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Question:

Is a roadside produce stand exempt from the building code?

Answer:

Yes, if it meets the requirements of General Statute 143-138, paragraph (b4), subsection (3) which states:

A "farm building" shall include any structure used for the display and sale of produce, no more than 1,000 square feet in size, open to the public for no more than 180 days per year, and certified by the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services as a Certified Roadside Farm Market.

Paragraph (b4) of GS 143-138 also indicates that farm buildings must be outside the jurisdiction of a municipality unless it is a greenhouse.

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