

**§ 20-38.3. Police processing duties.**

Upon the arrest of a person, with or without a warrant, but not necessarily in the order listed, a law enforcement officer:

- (1) Shall inform the person arrested of the charges or a cause for the arrest.
- (2) May take the person arrested to any place within the State for one or more chemical analyses at the request of any law enforcement officer and for any evaluation by a law enforcement officer, medical professional, or other person to determine the extent or cause of the person's impairment.
- (3) May take the person arrested to some other place within the State for the purpose of having the person identified, to complete a crash report, or for any other lawful purpose.
- (4) May take photographs and fingerprints in accordance with G.S. 15A-502.
- (5) Shall take the person arrested before a judicial official for an initial appearance after completion of all investigatory procedures, crash reports, chemical analyses, and other procedures provided for in this section.  
(2006-253, s. 5.)