

## Forms of Municipal Government in North Carolina\*

Mayor-Council		Council-Manager
Without Administrator	With Administrator	
Council responsible for policy and administrative duties	Council retains policy responsibility but delegates some or all administrative duties to administrator	Council sets policy and delegates all administrative duties to manager
Council sets committee duties	Administrator's duties set by ordinance	Manager 's duties set by state law
Elected officials may be employees or department heads if town has less than 5,000 people	Elected officials may be employees or department heads if town has less than 5,000 people	Elected officials may not serve as employees or department heads

\*Municipal governments may be organized as either Mayor-Council or Council-Manager. If a council adopts the Council-Manager form of government it must operate under that arrangement for at least two years before it can revert to the Mayor-Council form.