

1 15A NCAC 10A .1001 is readopted with changes as published in 33:11 NCR 1110 as follows:

3 **15A NCAC 10A .1001 PARTICULAR OFFENSES WARNING TICKETS**

4 ~~(a)~~ Warning Tickets Prohibited. Wildlife Enforcement Officers shall not issue warning tickets for the following
 5 offenses, ~~classes of offenses or offenses committed in a particular manner;~~ offenses and classes of offenses:

- 6 (1) second offense of ~~a similar~~ the same charge;
- 7 (2) ~~hunting, fishing, or trapping without a license, except as listed in this Rule;~~
- 8 ~~(3)(2)~~ exceeding bag or creel limits;
- 9 ~~(4)(3)~~ unlawful taking of fish or wildlife by use of drugs, poison, explosives, or electricity;
- 10 ~~(5)(4)~~ hunting, fishing, or trapping in closed season;
- 11 ~~(6)~~ hunting on Game Lands during closed days;
- 12 ~~(7)~~ firelighting deer;
- 13 ~~(8)(5)~~ unlawful taking or possession of antlerless deer or fox;
- 14 ~~(9)(6)~~ unlawful taking or possession of bear or wild turkey;
- 15 ~~(10)(7)~~ unlawful purchase or sale of wildlife; wildlife, except when possession of a Trophy Wildlife Sale
 16 Permit would otherwise make purchase or sale lawful; and
- 17 ~~(11)(8)~~ unlawful taking of fox; or
- 18 ~~(12)(9)(8)~~ taking wildlife with the aid of or from a motor vehicle or boat under power or while in motion.

19 ~~(b) Warning Tickets Permitted. In accordance with the conditions provided in G.S. 113-140(e) and where there is a~~
 20 ~~contemporaneous occurrence of more than three violations of the motorboat statutes or administrative rules, Wildlife~~
 21 ~~Enforcement Officers may issue a citation on the two most serious violations and a warning ticket on the lesser~~
 22 ~~violation(s). In addition, Wildlife Enforcement Officers may issue warning tickets for the following offenses:~~

- 23 (1) Boating Violations:
- 24 (A) ~~number missing, lack of contrast, not properly spaced or less than three inches in height;~~
- 25 (B) ~~no validation decal affixed or incorrect placement;~~
- 26 (C) ~~fire extinguisher not charged or non-approved;~~
- 27 (D) ~~no fire extinguisher on boats with false bottoms not completely sealed to hull or filled with~~
 28 ~~flotation material;~~
- 29 (E) ~~failure to notify North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission of change of address of~~
 30 ~~boat owner;~~
- 31 (F) ~~personal flotation device not Coast Guard approved;~~
- 32 (G) ~~failure to display navigation lights when there is evidence that lights malfunctioned while~~
 33 ~~underway;~~
- 34 (H) ~~no sound device;~~
- 35 (I) ~~muffler not adequate;~~
- 36 (J) ~~loaded firearm on access area;~~

- (K) — ~~parking on access area in other than designated parking area, provided traffic to ramp not impeded;~~
- (L) — ~~motorboat registration expired 10 days or less;~~
- (M) — ~~no Type IV throwable personal flotation device on board, but other personal flotation device requirements met;~~
- (N) — ~~violation of no wake speed zone when mitigating circumstances present;~~
- (O) — ~~running lights on motorboat are obstructed, not visible or improperly configured;~~
- (P) — ~~personal flotation device is not readily accessible on board motorboat;~~
- (Q) — ~~failure to wear a kill switch lanyard on personal watercraft;~~
- (R) — ~~exceeding capacity of personal watercraft while towing a skier;~~
- (S) — ~~allowing youth under the age of 12 to operate a personal watercraft while accompanied by an adult;~~
- (T) — ~~wearing an inflatable personal flotation device while operating a personal watercraft; or~~
- (U) — ~~No light available on board a manually propelled vessel.~~

(2) ~~License Violations:~~

- (A) — ~~persons under 16 hunting, trapping, or trout fishing without meeting statutory requirements;~~
- (B) — ~~senior citizens hunting or fishing without valid license(s) (Senior citizens are those persons 65 years old or older);~~
- (C) — ~~when it appears evident that the wrong license was purchased or issued by mistake;~~
- (D) — ~~failure to carry required license or identification on person, if positive identification can be established;~~
- (E) — ~~non resident hunting, fishing, or trapping with resident license, if domicile is established, but not 60 days;~~
- (F) — ~~hunting, fishing, or trapping on Game Lands or fishing in Designated Trout Waters that are not properly posted or have been posted for no more than 30 days;~~
- (G) — ~~persons who are 18 years or older or who do not reside with their parents, when such persons are taking wildlife upon their parent's land without a license as required by G.S. 113-270.2, 113-270.3(b) except for subdivision (5), 113-270.5, 113-271, or 113-272;~~
- (H) — ~~failure to comply with a statutorily enacted license requirement that has been in effect for less than a year; or~~
- (I) — ~~license expiration of 10 days or less.~~

(3) ~~Game Lands Violations:~~

- (A) — ~~camping on Game Lands in other than designated area; or~~
- (B) — ~~possession of weapons readily available for use while on game land thoroughfare, during closed season.~~

(4) ~~Trapping Violations:~~

- 1 (A) — improper chain length at dry land sets;
- 2 (B) — trap tag not legible;
- 3 (C) — trap tag missing, but with a group of properly tagged traps;
- 4 (D) — trap tag missing, but evidence that animal destroyed;
- 5 (E) — improper jawsize;
- 6 (F) — failure to comply with "offset" jaw requirement for traps with jaw spread of more than 5 ½
- 7 inches;
- 8 (G) — failure to attend traps daily, during severe weather (ice, high water, heavy snow); or
- 9 (H) — no written permission, but on right of way of public road.

10 (5) — Miscellaneous Violations:

- 11 (A) — allowing dogs, not under the control of the owner to chase deer during closed season;
- 12 (B) — attempting to take deer with dogs, or allowing dogs to chase deer in restricted areas;
- 13 (C) — using dogs to track wounded deer during primitive weapon season;
- 14 (D) — failure to report big game kill to nearest cooperators agent, when game is tagged and subject
- 15 is enroute to another agent;
- 16 (E) — training dogs or permitting them to run unleashed on Game Lands west of I 95 during the
- 17 period of April 1 through August 15;
- 18 (F) — violation of newly adopted rules, when not readily available to the public;
- 19 (G) — violation of local laws, when information not available to the public;
- 20 (H) — all permits (except for fox depredation permit);
- 21 (I) — closed season, if misprinted in digest or suddenly changed;
- 22 (J) — minor record violation (taxidermist);
- 23 (K) — failure to put name and address on marker (trotline); or
- 24 (L) — failure to put name and address on nets.

25 ~~(e) Special Consideration. Special consideration may be given in local areas where the offender is hunting or fishing~~
26 ~~out of his normal locality and is unfamiliar with the local law. Consideration may also be given for violations on~~
27 ~~newly opened or established Game Lands and on reclassified or newly Designated Mountain Trout Waters. Special~~
28 ~~consideration may be given to offenders under 18 years of age.~~

29
30 *History Note: Authority G.S. 113-140;*
31 *Eff. April 1, 1991;*
32 *Amended Eff. August 1, 2019; May 1, 2007; May 1, 2004; November 2, 1992; November 1, 1991.*
33

1 15A NCAC 10B .0124 is readopted with changes as published in 33:11 NCR 1112 as follows:

2
3 **15A NCAC 10B .0124 IMPORTATION OF ANIMAL PARTS**

4 (a) Unless otherwise provided in this Rule, it shall be unlawful to import, transport, or possess a cervid carcass or
5 carcass part ~~[part(s)] part~~ originating from any state or province where Chronic Wasting Disease occurs as identified
6 by the Chronic Wasting Disease Alliance on the Internet at <http://www.cwd-info.org/index.php/fuseaction/about.map>
7 shall be imported, transported, or possessed in ~~outside of~~ North Carolina except as provided herein: except:

- 8 (1) ~~meat that is cut and wrapped;~~
9 (2) ~~quarters or other portions of meat with no part of the spinal column or head attached;~~
10 (3)(1) meat that has been boned out; out such that no pieces or fragments of bone remain;
11 (4)(2) caped hides; hides with no part of the skull or spinal column attached;
12 (5)(3) antlers, antlers attached to cleaned skull plates; plates, or skulls free from meat or brain tissue;
13 (6) ~~antlers;~~
14 (7)(4) cleaned lower ~~[jawbone(s)] jawbones~~ with teeth or cleaned teeth; or
15 (8)(5) finished taxidermy products, products and tanned hides.

16 (b) Pursuant to G.S. 113-291.2, any Any cervid carcass, carcass part, ~~[part(s)] part,~~ or container of cervid meat or
17 carcass parts processed and packaged cervid meat imported as in (a)-listed in Subparagraph (a)(1) through (4) of this
18 Rule above from a state or province where Chronic Wasting Disease is known to occur as identified by the Chronic
19 Wasting Disease Alliance on the Internet at <http://www.cwd-info.org/index.php/fuseaction/about.map> shall be tagged
20 identifying; labeled or identified with the following information:

- 21 (1) Hunter's ~~the~~ individual's name and address;
22 (2) State or province ~~the~~ state, Canadian province, or foreign country of origin of any cervid carcass,
23 carcass part, or container of processed and packaged cervid meat; origin; and
24 (3) Date ~~the~~ the cervid was killed and the ~~hunter's~~ individual's hunting license ~~number~~ number,
25 permit number, or equivalent identification from the ~~state or province~~ state, Canadian province, or
26 foreign country of origin of any cervid carcass, carcass part, or container of processed and packaged
27 cervid meat; and origin.
28 (4) ~~Destination of the cervid carcass, carcass part or container of processed and packaged cervid meat~~
29 within North Carolina.

30 (c) It shall be lawful to import, transport, or possess a caped hide with only the head attached from a white-tailed deer
31 lawfully taken in South Carolina, if delivered to a licensed North Carolina taxidermist within 24 hours of entering the
32 State. The hide and head shall be double plastic bagged and labeled or identified with the information required in
33 Paragraph (b) of this Rule and the name of the county in South Carolina where the white-tailed deer was killed. This
34 Paragraph shall expire on August 1, 2020 or upon the Commission's confirmation of the discovery of Chronic Wasting
35 Disease in a cervid from South Carolina, whichever occurs first. Upon expiration, all restrictions and requirements of
36 Paragraph (a) shall apply.

1 *History Note: Authority G.S. 113-291.2;*
2 *Eff. May 1, 2006;*
3 *Temporary Amendment Eff. August 1, 2018;*
4 *Amended Eff. August 1, 2019.*
5
6
7

1 15A NCAC 10B .0202 is amended with changes as published in 33:11 NCR 1112 as follows:

2

3 **15A NCAC 10B .0202 BEAR**

4 (a) Open Seasons for hunting bear shall be from the:

5 (1) Monday on or nearest October 15 through the Saturday before Thanksgiving and the third Monday
6 after Thanksgiving through January 1 in and west of Surry, Wilkes, Caldwell, Burke, and Cleveland
7 counties;

8 (2) Second Monday in November through January 1 in Bladen, Brunswick, Carteret, Columbus,
9 Cumberland, Duplin, New Hanover, Onslow, Pamlico, Pender, Robeson, and Sampson counties;

10 (3) Second Saturday in November through the second Sunday thereafter and the third Saturday after
11 Thanksgiving through the fifth Sunday after Thanksgiving in Beaufort, Bertie, Craven, Hertford,
12 Jones, Martin, and Washington counties;

13 (4) Second Saturday in November through the ~~first~~ third Sunday ~~after Thanksgiving~~ thereafter and the
14 third Saturday after Thanksgiving through the fifth Sunday after Thanksgiving in Dare, Hyde, and
15 Tyrrell counties;

16 (5) Second Saturday in November through the second Sunday thereafter and the third Saturday after
17 Thanksgiving through the fifth Sunday after Thanksgiving in Currituck, Gates, and Perquimans
18 counties;

19 (6) Second Sunday in November through the following Sunday and the third Saturday after
20 Thanksgiving through the fifth Sunday after Thanksgiving in Camden, Chowan, and Pasquotank
21 counties;

22 (7) Third Saturday in November though the fifth Sunday thereafter in Edgecombe, Greene, Halifax,
23 Lenoir, Nash, Northampton, Pitt, Wayne, and Wilson counties; and

24 (8) Concurrent with the open season for all lawful weapons for hunting deer as specified in 15A NCAC
25 10B .0203(a)(1) in Alamance, Alexander, Anson, Cabarrus, Caswell, Catawba, Chatham, Davie,
26 Davidson, Durham, Franklin, Forsyth, Gaston, Granville, Guilford, Harnett, Hoke, Iredell, Johnston,
27 Lee, Lincoln, Mecklenburg, Montgomery, Moore, Orange, Person, Randolph, Richmond,
28 Rockingham, Rowan, Scotland, Stanly, Stokes, Union, Vance, Wake, Warren, and Yadkin counties.

29 (b) Restrictions

30 (1) For purposes of this Paragraph, "bait" means any natural, unprocessed food product that is a grain,
31 fruit, nut, vegetable, or other material harvested from a plant crop that is not modified from its raw
32 components.

33 (2) Bears shall not be taken with the use or aid of:

34 (A) any processed food product as defined in G.S. 113-294(r), any animal, animal part or
35 product, salt, salt lick, honey, sugar, sugar-based material, syrups, candy, pastry, gum,
36 candy block, oils, spices, peanut butter, or grease;

37 (B) any extracts of substances identified in Part (A) of this Subparagraph;

- 1 (C) any substances modified by substances identified in Part (A) of this Subparagraph,
2 including any extracts of those substances; or
- 3 (D) any bear bait attractant, including sprays, aerosols, scent balls, and scent powders.
- 4 (3) Bears may be taken with the aid of bait from the Monday on or nearest October 15 to the Saturday
5 before Thanksgiving in the counties in Subparagraph (a)(1) of this Rule.
- 6 (4) Bears may be taken with the aid of bait during the entire open season in the counties identified in
7 Subparagraphs (a)(2) through (a)(6) of this Rule.
- 8 (5) Bears shall not be taken while in the act of consuming bait.
- 9 (6) Hunters shall not take bears using dogs in the following counties: Alamance south of Interstate 85,
10 Anson west of N.C. Hwy 742, Cabarrus, Chatham, Davie, Davidson, Franklin, Forsyth, Gaston,
11 Guilford, Lee, Lincoln, Mecklenburg, Montgomery, Orange south of Interstate 85, Randolph,
12 Rockingham, Rowan, Stanly, Union, and Wake south of N.C. Hwy 98. In all other counties and
13 parts of counties, hunters may take bears using dogs and may release dogs in the vicinity of bait.
- 14 (c) ~~No Open Season. There is no open season in those parts of counties included in the following posted bear~~
15 ~~sanctuaries. It shall be unlawful to take bear on posted bear sanctuaries except when authorized by permit issued by~~
16 ~~the Commission. See 15A NCAC 10D .0106 for posted bear sanctuaries.~~
- 17 ~~Avery, Burke, and Caldwell counties—Daniel Boone bear sanctuary except by permit only~~
18 ~~Beaufort, Bertie, and Washington counties—Bachelor Bay bear sanctuary~~
19 ~~Bladen County—Suggs Mill Pond bear sanctuary~~
20 ~~Brunswick County—Green Swamp bear sanctuary~~
21 ~~Buncombe, Haywood, Henderson, and Transylvania counties—Pisgah bear sanctuary~~
22 ~~Carteret, Craven, and Jones counties—Croatan bear sanctuary~~
23 ~~Clay County—Fires Creek bear sanctuary~~
24 ~~Columbus County—Columbus County bear sanctuary~~
25 ~~Currituck County—North River bear sanctuary~~
26 ~~Dare County—Bombing Range bear sanctuary except by permit only~~
27 ~~Haywood County—Harmon Den bear sanctuary~~
28 ~~Haywood County—Sherwood bear sanctuary~~
29 ~~Hyde County—Gull Rock bear sanctuary~~
30 ~~Hyde County—Pungo River bear sanctuary~~
31 ~~Jackson County—Panthertown Bonas Defeat bear sanctuary~~
32 ~~Macon County—Standing Indian bear sanctuary~~
33 ~~Macon County—Wayah bear sanctuary~~
34 ~~Madison County—Rich Mountain bear sanctuary~~
35 ~~McDowell and Yancey counties—Mt. Mitchell bear sanctuary except by permit only~~
36 ~~Mitchell and Yancey counties—Flat Top bear sanctuary~~
37 ~~Wilkes County—Thurmond Chatham bear sanctuary~~

1 (d) The daily bag limit for bear is one, the possession limit is one, and the season limit is one.

2

3 *History Note: Authority G.S. 113-134; 113-291.1; 113-291.2; 113-291.7; 113-305;*

4 *Eff. February 1, 1976;*

5 *Amended Eff. July 1, 1998; September 1, 1995; July 1, 1995; July 1, 1994; April 14, 1992;*

6 *Temporary Amendment Eff. July 1, 1999;*

7 *Amended Eff. July 1, 2000;*

8 *Temporary Amendment Eff. July 1, 2002;*

9 *Amendment Eff. August 1, 2002;*

10 *Temporary Amendment Eff. September 1, 2003;*

11 *Temporary Amendment Expired Eff. December 27, 2003;*

12 *Amended Eff. August 1, 2015; August 1, 2014; August 1, 2012; August 1, 2010; May 1, 2009; May*

13 *1, 2008; May 1, 2007; May 1, 2006; June 1, 2005;*

14 *Temporary Amendment Eff. May 31, 2016;*

15 *Amended Eff. ~~August 1, 2019;~~ August 1, 2018; August 1, 2017; August 1, 2016.*

16 *Temporary Amendment Eff. August 1, 2018;*

17 *Amended Eff. August 1, 2019.*

1 15A NCAC 10B .0303 is readopted with changes as published in 33:11 NCR 1114 as follows:

2
3 **15A NCAC 10B .0303 OPEN SEASONS**

4 (a) General. ~~Following are the seasons for~~ The open season for the taking by trapping of fur-bearing animals as those
5 animals are defined in G.S. 113-129(7a), ~~[including]~~ as well as the taking by trapping of coyotes, armadillos, and
6 groundhogs, ~~all dates being inclusive; shall be November 1 through the last day of February, subject to the [following~~
7 ~~restrictions:] following:~~

8 ~~(1) November 1 through the last day of February except for that part of the state described in~~
9 ~~Subparagraph (2) of this Paragraph.~~

10 ~~(2) December 1 through the last day of February in and east of Hertford, Bertie, Martin, Pitt, Greene,~~
11 ~~Lenoir, Duplin, Pender and New Hanover counties.~~

12 ~~(3)(1) Trapping trapping coyotes is allowed during times and with methods described by local laws in~~
13 ~~counties where local laws have established fox trapping seasons even when those seasons fall~~
14 ~~outside the regular trapping seasons described above.~~ coyotes shall also be allowed during local fox
15 trapping seasons and in accordance with methods described by local law in counties that have
16 established fox trapping seasons by law outside the regular trapping season described in Paragraph

17 (a); and

18 ~~(4)(2) Nutria nutria~~ nutria may be trapped east of I-77 at any time.

19 (b) Feral Swine. There is no closed season for trapping feral ~~swine~~ swine, subject to the following restrictions:

20 (1) ~~In~~ in addition to a hunting or trapping license, a permit issued by the Wildlife Resources
21 Commission is required to trap feral swine. Individuals exempted from license requirements under
22 the provisions specified in G.S. 113-276 may trap feral swine without a hunting or trapping license,
23 but must acquire the ~~permit.~~ permit.

24 (2) ~~Feral~~ feral swine may be live-trapped using only corral or box traps. Corral and box traps must be
25 constructed in a manner such that a non-target animal can be easily released or can escape without
26 harm. The permit number must be displayed on all ~~traps.~~ traps; and

27 (3) ~~Feral~~ feral swine must be euthanized while in the trap and may not be removed alive from any trap.

28
29 Note: See 15A NCAC 10D .0102(f) for other trapping restrictions on game lands.

30
31 *History Note:* Authority G.S. 113-134; 113-291.1; 113-291.2; 113-291.12;
32 *Eff. February 1, 1976;*
33 *Amended Eff. July 1, 1996; July 1, 1984; July 1, 1983; August 1, 1982; August 1, 1981;*
34 *Temporary Amendment Eff. July 1, 1999;*
35 *Amended Eff. July 1, 2000;*
36 *Temporary Amendment Eff. June 1, 2003;*
37 *Amended Eff. August 1, 2010; May 1, 2009; November 1, 2008; May 1, 2008; May 1, 2007; May 1,*
38 *2006; June 1, 2005; August 1, 2004;*

1 *Recodified from Rule 10B .0302 Eff. January 1, 2011;*
2 *Temporary Amendment Eff. December 29, 2011;*
3 *Amended Eff. ~~November 1, 2012.~~November 1, 2012;*
4 *Readopted Eff. August 1, 2019.*

1 15A NCAC 10C .0211 is readopted with changes as published in 33:11 NCR 1122 as follows:

3 **15A NCAC 10C .0211 POSSESSION OF CERTAIN FISHES**

4 (a) It ~~is shall be~~ unlawful to transport, purchase, possess, ~~sell sell~~, or stock in the public or private waters of North
5 Carolina any live individuals of:

- 6 (1) ~~piranha, piranha~~;
- 7 (2) "walking catfish" (~~Clarias batrachus~~), ~~batrachus~~);
- 8 (3) snakehead fish (from the Family Channidae, formerly ~~Ophiocephalidae~~), ~~Ophiocephalidae~~);
- 9 (4) black carp (~~Mylopharyngodon piceus~~), ~~piceus~~);
- 10 (5) bighead carp (~~Hypophthalmichthys nobilis~~), ~~nobilis~~);
- 11 (6) silver carp (~~Hypophthalmichthys molitrix~~), ~~molitrix~~);
- 12 (7) rudd (~~Scardinius erythrothalamus~~), ~~erythrothalamus~~);
- 13 (8) round goby (~~Neogobius melanostomus~~), ~~melanostomus~~);
- 14 (9) tubenose goby (~~Proterorhinus marmoratus~~), ~~marmoratus~~);
- 15 (10) ruffe (~~Gymnocephalus cernuus~~), ~~cernuus~~);
- 16 (11) Japanese mysterysnail (~~Cipangopaludina japonica~~), ~~japonica~~);
- 17 (12) Chinese mysterysnail (~~Cipangopaludina chinensis malleata~~), ~~malleata~~);
- 18 (13) red-rim melania (~~Melanoides tuberculatus~~), ~~tuberculatus~~);
- 19 (14) virile crayfish (~~Orconectes (Gremicambarus) virilis~~), ~~virilis~~);
- 20 (15) rusty crayfish (~~Orconectes (Procericambarus) rusticus~~), ~~rusticus~~);
- 21 (16) Australian red claw crayfish or "red claw" (~~Cherax quadricarinatus~~, or other species of "giant"
22 crayfish species in the genus ~~Cherax~~), ~~Cherax~~);
- 23 (17) white amur or "grass carp" (~~Ctenopharyngodon idella~~), ~~idella~~);
- 24 (18) swamp or "rice" eel (~~Monopterus albus~~), ~~albus~~);
- 25 (19) red shiner (~~Cyprinella lutrensis~~), ~~lutrensis~~);
- 26 (20) zebra mussel (~~Dreissena polymorpha~~), ~~polymorpha~~); or
- 27 (21) quagga mussel (~~Dreissena rostriformis bugensis~~) or any mussel in the family Dreissenidae.

28 (b) A person may buy, ~~possess possess~~, or stock ~~triploid grass carp~~ [~~carp, which~~] ~~carp that~~ have been certified to be
29 ~~triploid or sterile~~, only for the purpose of controlling aquatic vegetation under a permit issued by the Executive
30 Director ~~or his or her designee when the director determines that conditions of such possession or stocking provide~~
31 ~~minimal probability of escape based on an evaluation of the potential for escapement and threat to sensitive aquatic~~
32 ~~habitat and that the carp is certified to be sterile by genetic testing at a federal, state, or university laboratory~~ ~~habitats~~.

33 (c) It shall be unlawful to transport, possess, or release live river herring, also known as alewife or blueback herring,
34 in the waters of the Little Tennessee River in and upstream of Lake Santeetlah and Cedar Cliff Lake, including all the
35 tributaries and impoundments thereof, and on adjacent shorelines, docks, access ramps, and bridge crossings.

36
37 *History Note: Authority G.S. 113-134; 113-274(c)(1c); 113-292;*

1 *Eff. February 1, 1976;*
2 *Amended Eff. September 1, 1984;*
3 *Temporary Amendment Eff. July 1, 2001;*
4 *Amended Eff. July 18, 2002;*
5 *Temporary Amendment Eff. September 1, 2002;*
6 *Amended Eff. August 1, 2013; August 1, 2011; June 1, 2009, June 1, 2005; August 1, ~~2004-2004~~;*
7 *Readopted Eff. August 1, 2019.*
8

1 15A NCAC 10C .0314 is readopted with changes as published in 33:11 NCR 1124 as follows:

2
3 **15A NCAC 10C .0314 STRIPED BASS**

4 (a) The daily creel limit for Striped Bass and its hybrids is four fish in the aggregate, except in waters identified in
5 Paragraphs (b), (c), (d), (e), (f), (g), (h), (i), and (j) of this Rule. The minimum size limit for these fish is 20 inches, except in
6 waters identified in Paragraphs (b), (c), (d), (e), (f), (g), (h), (i), and (j) of this Rule. There is no closed season, except
7 for waters identified in Paragraphs (g), (h), (i), (j), and (k) of this Rule.

8 (b) In the Dan River upstream from its confluence with Bannister River to the dam at Union Street in Danville, VA
9 and in John H. Kerr Reservoir, the daily creel limit on Striped Bass and its hybrids is two in the aggregate and the
10 minimum size limit is ~~24~~ 20 inches from October 1 through May 31. From June 1 through September 30, the daily
11 creel limit on Striped Bass and its hybrids is four in the aggregate with no minimum size limit.

12 (c) In Lake Gaston and Roanoke Rapids Reservoir, the minimum size limit for Striped Bass and its hybrids is 20
13 inches from October 1 through May 31. There is no minimum size limit for these fish from June 1 through September
14 30.

15 (d) In Lake Norman, Arrowhead Lake (Anson Co.), High Rock Pond (Caswell Co.), Moss Lake, Mountain Island
16 Reservoir, Oak Hollow Lake, Lake Thom-A-Lex, Lake Townsend, and Salem Lake the minimum size limit for Striped
17 Bass and its hybrids is 16 inches.

18 (e) In Lake Chatuge in Clay County, the daily creel limit is 15 in the aggregate. There is no minimum size limit, but
19 only two may be greater than 22 inches.

20 (f) In Lake Mattamuskeet, and in the Pee Dee River and its tributaries downstream from the Blewett Falls Dam to the
21 South Carolina state line, the daily creel limit for Striped Bass and its hybrids is three fish in the aggregate, and the
22 minimum size limit is 18 inches.

23 (g) In the inland fishing waters of Neuse, Pungo, and Tar Pamlico rivers and their tributaries extending upstream to
24 the first impoundment of the main course on the river or its tributaries, and in all other inland fishing waters east of
25 Interstate 95 not specified in Paragraphs (f), (h), (i), and (j) of this Rule, the daily creel limit for Striped Bass and its
26 hybrids is two fish in the aggregate. The minimum size limit is 26 inches. In these waters, the season for taking and
27 possessing Striped Bass is closed from May 1 through September 30.

28 (h) In the inland fishing waters of the Cape Fear River and its tributaries downstream of Buckhorn Dam, the season
29 for taking and possessing Striped Bass is closed year-round.

30 (i) In the inland and joint fishing waters ~~[as identified in 15A NCAC 10C .0107(1)(e)]~~ of the Roanoke River Striped
31 Bass Management Area, as established in 15A NCAC [10C-.0110].03R.0201 and identified in 15A NCAC 10C .0110,
32 which includes the Roanoke, Cashie, Middle, and Eastmost rivers and their tributaries, the open season for taking and
33 possessing Striped Bass and its hybrids is March 1 through April 30 from the joint-coastal fishing waters boundary at
34 Albemarle Sound upstream to Roanoke Rapids Lake dam. During the open season, the daily creel limit for Striped
35 Bass and its hybrids is two fish in the aggregate, and the minimum size limit is 18 inches. No fish between 22 inches
36 and 27 inches in length shall be possessed in the daily creel limit. Only one fish larger than 27 inches may be possessed
37 in the daily creel limit.

1 (j) In designated inland fishing waters of Roanoke Sound, Croatan Sound, Albemarle Sound, Chowan River, Currituck
2 Sound, Alligator River, Scuppernong River, and their tributaries (excluding the Roanoke River and Cashie River and
3 their tributaries), the Striped Bass fishing season, size ~~limits~~ limits, and creel limits are the same as those established
4 by rules or proclamations of the Marine Fisheries Commission in adjacent joint or coastal fishing waters.

5 (k) In accordance with G.S. 113-292, the Executive Director may, by proclamation, suspend, or extend the hook-and-
6 line season for Striped Bass in the inland and joint waters of coastal rivers and their tributaries. It is unlawful to violate
7 the provisions of any proclamation issued under this authority.

8

9 *History Note: Authority G.S. 113-134; 113-292; 113-304; 113-305;*

10 *Eff. November 1, 2013;*

11 *Amended Eff. June 1, 2018; August 1, 2016; August 1, 2015; August 1, ~~2014~~-2014;*

12 *Readopted Eff. August 1, 2019.*

1 15A NCAC 10C .0407 is amended with changes as published in 33:11 NCR 1127 as follows:

2
3 **15A NCAC 10C .0407 PERMITTED SPECIAL DEVICES AND OPEN SEASONS**

4 Except in designated public mountain trout waters, and in impounded waters located on the Sandhills Game Land,
5 there is a year-round open season for the licensed taking of nongame fishes by bow and arrow. The use of special
6 fishing devices, including crab pots in impoundments located entirely on game ~~lands~~ lands, ~~is~~ shall be prohibited.

7 Seasons and waters in which the use of other special devices is authorized are indicated by counties below:

8 (1) Alamance:

9 (a) July 1 to August 31 with seines in Alamance Creek below NC 49 bridge and Haw River;

10 (b) July 1 to June 30 with gigs in all public waters;

11 (2) Alexander: July 1 to June 30 with traps and gigs in all public waters; and with spear guns in Lake
12 Hickory and Lookout Shoals Reservoir;

13 (3) Alleghany: July 1 to June 30 with gigs in New River, except designated public mountain trout
14 waters;

15 (4) Anson:

16 (a) July 1 to June 30 with traps and gigs in all public waters;

17 (b) March 1 to April 30 with bow nets in Pee Dee River below Blewett Falls Dam;

18 (c) July 1 to August 31 with seines in all running public waters, except Pee Dee River from
19 Blewett Falls downstream to the Seaboard Coast Line Railroad trestle;

20 (5) Ashe: July 1 to June 30 with gigs in New River (both forks), except designated public mountain
21 trout waters;

22 (6) Beaufort:

23 (a) July 1 to June 30 with traps in the Pungo River, and in the Tar and Pamlico Rivers above
24 Norfolk and Southern Railroad bridge; and with gigs in all inland public waters;

25 (b) March 1 to April 30 with bow nets in all inland public waters;

26 (7) Bertie:

27 (a) July 1 to June 30 with traps in the Broad Creek (tributary of Roanoke);

28 (b) March 1 to April 30 with bow nets in all inland public waters, ~~excluding~~ except public
29 lakes, ponds, and other impounded waters;

30 (8) Bladen:

31 (a) March 1 to April 30 with bow nets in Black River;

32 (b) July 1 to March 1 with hand-crank electrofishers (local law) in Cape Fear River between
33 Lock and Dam 1 and 3 and in Black River, except that hand-crank electrofishing is
34 prohibited within 400 yards of Lock and Dam 1, 2, and 3 on Cape Fear River;

35 (9) Brunswick: March 1 to April 30 with bow nets in Alligator Creek, Hoods Creek, Indian Creek,
36 Orton Creek below Orton Pond, Rices Creek, Sturgeon Creek and Town Creek;

- 1 (10) Buncombe: July 1 to June 30 with gigs in all public waters, except designated public mountain trout
2 waters;
- 3 (11) Burke:
- 4 (a) July 1 to August 31 with seines in all running public waters, except Johns River and
5 designated public mountain trout waters;
- 6 (b) July 1 to June 30 with traps, gigs, and spear guns in all public waters, except designated
7 public mountain trout waters and Lake James;
- 8 (12) Cabarrus:
- 9 (a) July 1 to August 31 with seines in all running public waters,
10 (b) July 1 to June 30 with traps and gigs in all public waters;
- 11 (13) Caldwell: July 1 to June 30 with traps, gigs, and spear guns in all public waters, except designated
12 public mountain trout waters;
- 13 (14) Camden:
- 14 (a) July 1 to June 30 with traps in all inland public waters;
15 (b) March 1 to April 30 with bow nets in all inland public waters, ~~excluding~~ except public
16 lakes, ponds, and other impounded waters;
- 17 (15) Carteret: March 1 to April 30 with bow nets in all inland public waters except South River and the
18 tributaries of the White Oak River;
- 19 (16) Caswell:
- 20 (a) July 1 to June 30 with gigs in all public waters;
21 (b) July 1 to August 31 with seines in all running public waters, except Moons Creek;
22 (c) July 1 to June 30 with traps in Hyco Reservoir;
- 23 (17) Catawba:
- 24 (a) July 1 to August 31 with seines in all running public waters, except Catawba River below
25 Lookout Dam;
26 (b) July 1 to June 30 with traps, spear guns, and gigs in all public waters;
- 27 (18) Chatham:
- 28 (a) December 1 to April 15 with dip and gill nets in the Cape Fear River, Deep River, Haw
29 River and Rocky River (local law);
30 (b) July 1 to August 31 with seines in the Cape Fear River, and Haw River;
31 (c) July 1 to June 30 with traps in Deep River; and with gigs in all public waters;
- 32 (19) Cherokee: July 1 to June 30 with gigs in all public waters, except designated public mountain trout
33 waters;
- 34 (20) Chowan:
- 35 (a) March 1 to April 30 with bow nets in all inland public waters, ~~excluding~~ except public
36 lakes, ponds, and other impounded waters;

- 1 (b) July 1 to June 30 with traps in all inland public waters, ~~excluding~~ except public lakes,
2 ponds, and other impounded waters;
- 3 (21) Clay: July 1 to June 30 with gigs in all public waters, except designated public mountain trout
4 waters;
- 5 (22) Cleveland:
- 6 (a) July 1 to August 31 with seines in all running public waters;
- 7 (b) July 1 to June 30 with gigs, traps and spear guns in all public waters;
- 8 (23) Columbus:
- 9 (a) December 1 to March 1 with gigs in all inland public waters, except Lake Waccamaw and
10 its tributaries;
- 11 (b) March 1 to April 30 with bow nets in Livingston Creek;
- 12 (c) July 1 to March 1 with hand-crank electrofishers (local law) in Waccamaw and Lumber
13 rivers;
- 14 (24) Craven:
- 15 (a) July 1 to June 30 with traps in the main run of the Trent and Neuse Rivers;
- 16 (b) March 1 to April 30 with bow nets in all inland public waters, except Pitch Kettle, Grindle,
17 Slocum (downstream of the US 70 bridge), ~~Spring Spring~~, and Hancock Creeks and their
18 tributaries; and with seines in the Neuse River;
- 19 (25) Currituck:
- 20 (a) July 1 to June 30 with traps in Tulls Creek and Northwest River;
- 21 (b) March 1 to April 30 with bow nets in all inland public waters, ~~excluding~~ except public
22 lakes, ponds, and other impounded waters;
- 23 (26) Dare:
- 24 (a) July 1 to June 30 with traps in Mashoes Creek, Milltail Creek, East ~~Lake Lake~~, and South
25 Lake;
- 26 (b) March 1 to April 30 with bow nets in all inland public waters, ~~excluding~~ except public
27 lakes, ponds, and other impounded waters;
- 28 (27) Davidson:
- 29 (a) July 1 to August 31 with seines in all running public waters;
- 30 (b) July 1 to June 30 with gigs in all public waters, and with traps in all public waters except
31 Leonard's Creek, Abbott's Creek below Lake Thom-A-Lex dam, and the Abbott's Creek
32 arm of High Rock Lake upstream from the NC 8 bridge;
- 33 (28) Davie:
- 34 (a) July 1 to June 30 with traps and gigs in all public waters;
- 35 (b) July 1 to August 31 for taking only carp and suckers with seines in Dutchmans Creek from
36 US 601 to Yadkin River and in Hunting Creek from SR 1338 to South Yadkin River;
- 37 (29) Duplin:

- 1 (a) December 1 to June 5 with seines in the main run of the Northeast Cape Fear River
2 downstream from a point one mile above Serecta Bridge;
- 3 (b) March 1 to April 30 with bow nets in the main run of the Northeast Cape Fear River
4 downstream from a point one mile above Serecta Bridge;
- 5 (30) Durham:
- 6 (a) July 1 to August 31 with seines in Neuse River;
- 7 (b) July 1 to June 30 with gigs in all public waters;
- 8 (31) Edgecombe: March 1 to April 30 with bow nets in all public waters;
- 9 (32) Forsyth: July 1 to June 30 with traps and gigs in all public waters, except traps may not be used in
10 Belews Creek Reservoir;
- 11 (33) Franklin:
- 12 (a) July 1 to August 31 with seines in Tar River;
- 13 (b) July 1 to June 30 with gigs in all public waters, except Parrish, Laurel Mill, Jackson,
14 Clifton, Moore's [Moore's] Moore's, and Perry's Ponds, and in the Franklinton City ponds;
- 15 (34) Gaston:
- 16 (a) July 1 to August 31 with seines in all running public waters;
- 17 (b) July 1 to June 30 with gigs, traps [traps] traps, and spear guns in all public waters;
- 18 (35) Gates: March 1 to April 30 with bow nets in all inland public waters, ~~excluding~~ except public lakes,
19 ponds, and other impounded waters;
- 20 (36) Graham: July 1 to June 30 with gigs in all public waters, except designated public mountain trout
21 waters;
- 22 (37) Granville:
- 23 (a) July 1 to June 30 with gigs in all public waters, except Kerr Reservoir;
- 24 (b) July 1 to August 31 with seines in the Tar River below US 158 bridge;
- 25 (c) July 1 to June 30 with dip and cast nets in Kerr Reservoir;
- 26 (38) Greene: March 1 to April 30 with bow nets and reels in Contentnea Creek;
- 27 (39) Guilford:
- 28 (a) July 1 to August 31 with seines in Haw River, Deep River below Jamestown Dam, and
29 Reedy Fork Creek below US 29 bridge;
- 30 (b) July 1 to June 30 with gigs in all public waters;
- 31 (40) Halifax: March 1 to April 30 with bow nets in Beech Swamp, Clarks Canal, Conoconnara Swamp,
32 Fishing Creek below the Fishing Creek Mill Dam, Kehukee Swamp, Looking Glass Gut, Quankey
33 Creek, and White's Mill Pond Run;
- 34 (41) Harnett:
- 35 (a) January 1 to May 31 with gigs in Cape Fear River and tributaries;
- 36 (b) March 1 to April 30 with bow nets in Cape Fear River;

- 1 (42) Haywood: July 1 to June 30 with gigs in all public waters, except Lake Junaluska and designated
2 public mountain trout waters;
- 3 (43) Henderson: July 1 to June 30 with gigs in all public waters, except designated public mountain trout
4 waters;
- 5 (44) Hertford:
- 6 (a) July 1 to June 30 with traps in Wiccacon Creek;
- 7 (b) March 1 to April 30 with bow nets in all inland public waters, ~~excluding~~ except public
8 lakes, ponds, and other impounded waters;
- 9 (45) Hyde:
- 10 (a) July 1 to June 30 with traps in all inland waters;
- 11 (b) March 1 to April 30 with bow nets in all inland public waters, ~~excluding~~ except public
12 lakes, ponds, and other impounded waters;
- 13 (46) Iredell: July 1 to June 30 with traps and gigs in all public waters; and with spear guns in Lookout
14 Shoals Reservoir and Lake Norman;
- 15 (47) Jackson: July 1 to June 30 with gigs in all public waters, except designated public mountain trout
16 waters;
- 17 (48) Johnston: March 1 to April 30 with bow nets in Black Creek, Little River, Middle Creek, Mill Creek,
18 Neuse River and Swift Creek;
- 19 (49) Jones:
- 20 (a) July 1 to June 30 with traps in the Trent River below US 17 bridge and White Oak River
21 below US 17 bridge;
- 22 (b) March 1 to April 30 with bow nets in all inland public waters, except the tributaries to the
23 White Oak River;
- 24 (50) Lee:
- 25 (a) December 1 to April 15 with dip and gill nets (local law) in Cape Fear River and Deep
26 River;
- 27 (b) July 1 to August 31 with seines in Cape Fear River;
- 28 (c) July 1 to June 30 with traps in Deep River, and with gigs in all public waters;
- 29 (51) Lenoir:
- 30 (a) July 1 to June 30 with traps in Neuse River below US 70 bridge at Kinston;
- 31 (b) March 1 to April ~~30~~ with 30 with bow nets in Neuse River and Contentnea Creek upstream
32 from NC 118 bridge at Grifton; and with seines in Neuse River;
- 33 (52) Lincoln:
- 34 (a) July 1 to August 31 with seines in all running public waters;
- 35 (b) July 1 to June 30 with traps, ~~gigs~~ gigs, and spear guns in all public waters;
- 36 (53) McDowell:

- 1 (a) July 1 to August 31 with seines in all running public waters, except designated public
2 mountain trout waters;
- 3 (b) July 1 to June 30 with traps, gigs, and spear guns in all public waters, except designated
4 public mountain trout waters and Lake James;
- 5 (54) Macon: July 1 to June 30 with gigs in all public waters, except designated public mountain trout
6 waters;
- 7 (55) Madison: July 1 to June 30 with gigs in all public waters, except designated public mountain trout
8 waters;
- 9 (56) Martin: March 1 to April 30 with bow nets in all inland public waters, ~~excluding~~ except public
10 lakes, ponds, and other impounded waters;
- 11 (57) Mecklenburg:
- 12 (a) July 1 to August 31 with seines in all running public waters;
- 13 (b) July 1 to June 30 with traps, ~~gigs~~ gigs, and spear guns in all public waters except Freedom
14 Park Pond and Hornet's Nest Ponds;
- 15 (58) Montgomery:
- 16 (a) July 1 to August 31 with seines in all running public waters, except that part of the Pee Dee
17 River between the Lake Tillery dam at Hydro and the mouth of Rocky River;
- 18 (b) July 1 to June 30 with traps and gigs in all public waters;
- 19 (59) Moore:
- 20 (a) July 1 to August 31 with seines in all running public waters except in Deep River;
- 21 (b) July 1 to June 30 with gigs in all public waters, except lakes located on the Sandhills Game
22 Land; and with traps in Deep River and its tributaries;
- 23 (60) Nash:
- 24 (a) July 1 to June 30 with gigs in all public waters, except Tar River;
- 25 (b) March 1 to April 30 with bow nets in the Tar River below Harris' Landing and Fishing
26 Creek below the Fishing Creek Mill Dam;
- 27 (61) New Hanover: March 1 to April ~~30~~ with 30 with bow nets in all inland public waters, except Sutton
28 (Catfish) Lake;
- 29 (62) Northampton:
- 30 (a) July 1 to June 30 with gigs in all public waters, except Gaston and Roanoke Rapids
31 Reservoirs and the Roanoke River above the US 301 bridge;
- 32 (b) March 1 to April ~~30~~ with 30 with bow nets in Oconeechee Creek, Old River Landing ~~Gut~~
33 Gut, and Vaughans Creek below Watsons Mill;
- 34 (63) Onslow:
- 35 (a) July 1 to June 30 with traps in White Oak River below US 17 bridge;
- 36 (b) August 1 to March 31 with eel pots in the main run of New River between US 17 bridge
37 and the mouth of Hawkins Creek;

- 1 (c) March 1 to April 30 with bow nets in the main run of New River and in the main run of the
2 White Oak River;
- 3 (d) March 1 to April 30 with bow nets in Grant's Creek;
- 4 (64) Orange:
- 5 (a) July 1 to August 31 with seines in Haw River,
- 6 (b) July 1 to June 30 with gigs in all public waters;
- 7 (65) Pamlico: March 1 to April 30 with bow nets in all inland public waters, except Dawson Creek;
- 8 (66) Pasquotank:
- 9 (a) July 1 to June 30 with traps in all inland waters;
- 10 (b) March 1 to April 30 with bow nets in all inland public waters, ~~excluding~~ except public
11 lakes, ponds, and other impounded waters;
- 12 (67) Pender:
- 13 (a) December 1 to June 5 with seines in the main run of Northeast Cape Fear River;
- 14 (b) March 1 to April 30 with bow nets in the Northeast Cape Fear River, Long Creek, Moore's
15 Creek approximately one mile upstream to New Moon Fishing Camp, and Black River;
- 16 (c) July 1 to March 1 with hand-crank electrofishers (local law) in Black River;
- 17 (68) Perquimans:
- 18 (a) July 1 to June 30 with traps in all inland waters;
- 19 (b) March 1 to April 30 with bow nets in all inland public waters, ~~excluding~~ except public
20 lakes, ponds, and other impounded waters;
- 21 (69) Person:
- 22 (a) July 1 to August 31 with seines in Hyco Creek and Mayo Creek;
- 23 (b) July 1 to June 30 with gigs in all public waters.
- 24 (70) Pitt:
- 25 (a) July 1 to June 30 with traps in Neuse River and in Tar River below the mouth of Hardee
26 Creek east of Greenville;
- 27 (b) March 1 to April 30 with bow nets in all inland public waters, except Grindle Creek, and
28 Contentnea Creek between NC 118 bridge at Grifton and the Neuse River;
- 29 (c) December 1 to June 5 with seines in Tar River;
- 30 (71) Polk: July 1 to June 30 with gigs in all public waters, except designated public mountain trout
31 waters;
- 32 (72) Randolph:
- 33 (a) July 1 to August 31 with seines in Deep River above the Coleridge Dam and Uwharrie
34 River;
- 35 (b) July 1 to June 30 with gigs in all public waters;
- 36 (73) Richmond:

- 1 (a) July 1 to August 31 with seines in all running public waters, except Pee Dee River from
2 Blewett Falls downstream to the Seaboard Coast Line Railroad trestle;
- 3 (b) July 1 to June 30 with traps and gigs in all public waters, except lakes located on the
4 Sandhills Game Land;
- 5 (c) March 1 to April 30 with bow nets in Pee Dee River below Blewett Falls Dam;
- 6 (74) Robeson: December 1 to March 1 with gigs in all inland public waters.
- 7 (75) Rockingham:
- 8 (a) July 1 to August 31 with seines in Dan River and Haw River;
- 9 (b) July 1 to June 30 with traps in Dan River; and with gigs in all public waters;
- 10 (76) Rowan:
- 11 (a) July 1 to August 31 with seines in all running public waters,
- 12 (b) July 1 to June 30 with traps and gigs in all public waters;
- 13 (77) Rutherford:
- 14 (a) July 1 to August 31 with seines in all running public waters, except designated public
15 mountain trout waters;
- 16 (b) July 1 to June 30 with traps, gigs, and spear guns in all public waters, except designated
17 public mountain trout waters;
- 18 (78) Sampson:
- 19 (a) March 1 to April 30 with bow nets in Big Coharie Creek, Black River and Six Runs Creek;
- 20 (b) July 1 to March 1 with hand-crank electrofishers (local law) in Black River downstream of
21 NC 1105 bridge;
- 22 (79) Stanly:
- 23 (a) July 1 to August 31 with seines in all running public waters, except that part of the Pee Dee
24 River between the Lake Tillery dam at Hydro and the mouth of Rocky River;
- 25 (b) July 1 to June 30 with traps and gigs in all public waters;
- 26 (80) Stokes: July 1 to June 30 with traps and gigs in all public waters, except designated public mountain
27 trout waters, and traps may not be used in Belews Creek Reservoir;
- 28 (81) Surry: July 1 to June 30 with gigs in all public waters, except designated public mountain trout
29 waters; and with traps in the main stem of Yadkin River;
- 30 (82) Swain: July 1 to June 30 with gigs in all public waters, except designated public mountain trout
31 waters;
- 32 (83) Transylvania: July 1 to June 30 with gigs in all public waters, except designated public mountain
33 trout waters;
- 34 (84) Tyrrell:
- 35 (a) July 1 to June 30 with traps in Scuppernong River and Alligator Creek;

- 1 (b) March 1 to April 30 with bow nets in all inland public waters, ~~excluding~~ except Lake
2 Phelps, the drainage canals that connect Lake Phelps and Scuppernong River, public lakes,
3 ponds and other impounded waters;
- 4 (85) Union:
5 (a) July 1 to August 31 with seines in all running public waters,
6 (b) July 1 to June 30 with traps and gigs in all public waters;
- 7 (86) Vance:
8 (a) July 1 to August 31 with seines in the Tar River;
9 (b) July 1 to June 30 with gigs in all public waters, except Rolands, Faulkners, Southerlands,
10 and Weldon Ponds, City Lake, and Kerr Reservoir;
11 (c) July 1 to June 30 with dip and cast nets in Kerr Reservoir;
- 12 (87) Wake:
13 (a) July 1 to June 30 with gigs in all public waters, except Sunset, Benson, Wheeler, Raleigh,
14 and Johnson Lakes;
15 (b) March 1 to April 30 with bow nets in the Neuse River below ~~Milburnie Falls Lake Dam~~,
16 and Swift Creek below Lake Benson Dam;
- 17 (88) Warren:
18 (a) July 1 to August 31 with seines in Fishing Creek, Shocco Creek, and Walker Creek;
19 ~~excluding~~ except Duck and Hammes Mill Ponds;
20 (b) July 1 to June 30 with gigs in all public waters, except Duck and Hammes Mill Ponds, Kerr
21 Reservoir, and Gaston Reservoir;
22 (c) July 1 to June 30 with dip and cast nets in Kerr Reservoir;
- 23 (89) Washington: March 1 to April 30 with bow nets in all inland public waters, ~~excluding~~ except Lake
24 Phelps, the drainage canals that connect Lake Phelps and Scuppernong River, public lakes, ~~ponds~~
25 ponds, and other impoundments.
- 26 (90) Wayne: March 1 to April 30 with bow nets in Little River, Mill Creek and Neuse River.
- 27 (91) Wilkes: July 1 to June 30 with traps in Yadkin River below W. Kerr Scott Reservoir; and with gigs
28 and spear guns in all public waters, except designated public mountain trout waters;
- 29 (92) Wilson:
30 (a) July 1 to June 30 with gigs in Contentnea Creek (except Buckhorn Reservoir), including
31 unnamed tributaries between Flowers Mill and SR 1163 (Deans) bridge;
32 (b) March 1 to April 30 with bow nets in Contentnea Creek below US 301 bridge and in
33 Toisnot Swamp downstream from the Lake Toisnot Dam; and
- 34 (93) Yadkin: July 1 to June 30 with gigs in all public waters, and with traps in the main stem of Yadkin
35 River.

36
37 *History Note: Authority G.S. 113-134; 113-276; 113-292;*

1
2
3
4
5
6
7
8
9
10

Eff. February 1, 1976;
Temporary Amendment Eff. December 29, 1988;
Temporary Amendment Eff. December 1, 1993;
Amended Eff. July 1, 2000; July 1, 1998; July 1, 1996; December 1, 1995; July 1, 1995; July 1,
1994; June 1, 1994;
Temporary Amendment Eff. July 1, 2002; July 1, 2001;
Amended Eff. August 1, 2002 (approved by RRC on 06/21/01 and 04/18/02);
Temporary Amendment Eff. June 1, 2003;
Amended Eff. August 1, 2019; August 1, 2015; May 1, 2007; June 1, 2005; August 1, 2004.

1 15A NCAC 10D .0103 is amended with changes as published in 33:11 NCR 1112 as follows:

2

3 **15A NCAC 10D .0103 HUNTING ON GAME LANDS**

4 (a) Safety Requirements. No person while hunting on any designated game land shall be under the influence of alcohol
5 or any narcotic drug, or fail to comply with restrictions enacted by the National Park Service regarding the use of the
6 Blue Ridge Parkway where it adjoins game lands listed in this Rule.

7 (b) Traffic Requirements. No person shall park a vehicle on game lands in such a manner as to block traffic or gates,
8 or otherwise prevent vehicles from using any roadway.

9 (c) Tree Stands. It is unlawful to erect or to occupy, for the purpose of hunting, any tree stand or platform attached
10 by nails, screws, bolts, or wire to a tree on any game land designated herein. This prohibition does not apply to lag-
11 screw steps or portable stands that are removed after use with no metal remaining in or attached to the tree.

12 (d) Time and Manner of Taking. Hunting is allowed on game lands only during the open season for game animals
13 and game birds, unless hunting is allowed by permit. Individual game lands or parts thereof may be closed to hunting
14 or limited to specific dates by this Chapter. Persons shall hunt only with weapons lawful for the open game animal or
15 game bird seasons. On managed waterfowl impoundments, persons shall:

- 16 (1) not enter the posted impoundment areas earlier than 4:00 a.m. on the permitted hunting dates;
- 17 (2) not hunt after 1:00 p.m. on such hunting dates;
- 18 (3) not set decoys out prior to 4:00 a.m.;
- 19 (4) remove decoys by 3:00 p.m. each day; and
- 20 (5) not operate any vessel or vehicle powered by an internal combustion engine.

21 On designated youth waterfowl days occurring after the end of the regular waterfowl seasons only, youths may hunt
22 on managed waterfowl impoundments from ½ hour before sunrise to sunset. Restrictions (1), (3), and (5) in this
23 Paragraph shall apply. On waterfowl impoundments that have a posted "Scouting-only Zone," trapping during the
24 trapping season and waterfowl hunting on designated waterfowl hunting days are the only activities allowed on the
25 portion of the impoundment outside of the posted "Scouting-only Zone." No person shall attempt to obscure the sex
26 or age of any bird or animal taken by severing the head or any other part thereof, or possess any bird or animal that
27 has been so mutilated. No person shall place, or cause to be placed on any game land, salt, grain, fruit, or other foods
28 without prior written authorization of the Commission or its agent. A decision to grant or deny authorization shall be
29 made based on the best management practices for the wildlife species in question. No person shall take or attempt to
30 take any game birds or game animals attracted to such foods.

31 (e) Definitions:

32 (1) For purposes of this Section, "Dove Only Area" refers to a Game Land on which doves may be
33 taken and dove hunting is limited to Mondays, Wednesdays, Saturdays, Thanksgiving Day,
34 Christmas Day, and New Year's Days within the federally-announced season.

35 (2) For purposes of this Section, "Three Days per Week Area" refers to a Game Land on which any
36 game may be taken during the open seasons and hunting is limited to Mondays, Wednesdays,
37 Saturdays, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day, and New Year's Days, except for game lands in this

1 Rule that specifically allow hunting on Tuesdays, Thursday, and Fridays. Falconry may also be
2 practiced on Sundays. These "open days" also apply to either-sex deer hunting seasons listed under
3 each game land. Raccoon and opossum hunting may continue until 7:00 a.m. on Tuesdays, until
4 7:00 a.m. on Thursdays, and until midnight on Saturdays.

- 5 (3) For purposes of this Section, "Six Days per Week Area" refers to a Game Land on which
6 any game may be taken on the open days of Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, and
7 Saturday during the open seasons.

8 (f) Hunting with Dogs on Game Lands. Deer shall not be taken with the use of dogs on game lands in counties or
9 parts of counties where taking deer with dogs is prohibited as described in 15A NCAC 10B .0109.

10 ~~(g) Bear Sanctuaries. On Three Days per Week Areas and Six Days per Week Areas, bears shall not be taken on lands~~
11 ~~designated and posted as bear sanctuaries except when authorized by permit only pursuant to this Chapter. Feral Swine~~
12 ~~shall not be taken with the use of dogs on bear sanctuaries. Dogs shall not be trained or allowed to run unleashed~~
13 ~~between March 1 and the Monday on or nearest October 15 on bear sanctuaries in and west of the counties and parts~~
14 ~~of counties described in 15A NCAC 10B .0109.~~

15 ~~(h)(g)~~ The listed seasons and restrictions apply in the following game lands:

- 16 (1) Alcoa Game Land in Davidson, Davie, Montgomery, Rowan, and Stanly counties
17 (A) Six Days per Week Area
18 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken the first open day of the applicable Deer With Visible
19 Antlers Season through the second Friday thereafter in that portion in Montgomery county,
20 and deer of either sex may be taken all the open days of the applicable Deer With Visible
21 Antlers Season in those portions in Davidson, Davie, Rowan, and Stanly counties.
22 (C) On the Lick Creek Tract, deer and bear hunting is archery only.
23 (2) Alligator River Game Land in Tyrrell County
24 (A) Six Day per Week Area
25 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken all the open days of the applicable Deer With Visible
26 Antlers Season.
27 (C) Bear may only be taken the first three hunting days during the November Bear Season and
28 the first three hunting days during the second week of the December Bear Season.
29 (3) Angola Bay Game Land in Duplin and Pender counties
30 (A) Six Days per Week Area
31 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken all the open days of the applicable Deer With Visible
32 Antlers Season.
33 (C) Target shooting is prohibited.
34 (4) Bachelor Bay Game Land in Bertie, Martin, and Washington counties
35 (A) Six Days per Week Area
36 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken all the open days of the applicable Deer With Visible
37 Antlers Season.

- 1 (5) Bertie County Game Land in Bertie County
2 (A) Six Days per Week Area
3 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken all the open days of the applicable Deer With Visible
4 Antlers Season.
5 (C) Target Shooting is prohibited.
- 6 (6) Bladen Lakes State Forest Game Land in Bladen County
7 (A) Three Days per Week Area
8 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken all the open days of the applicable Deer With Visible
9 Antlers Season.
10 (C) Except for blackpowder firearms, rifles larger than .22 caliber rimfire shall not be used.
11 (D) On the Singletary Lake Tract, the use of dogs for hunting deer and bear is prohibited.
12 (E) Wild turkey hunting on the Singletary Lake Tract is by permit only.
13 (F) Camping is restricted to September 1 through the last day of February and March
14 31through May 14 in areas both designated and posted as camping areas.
15 (G) The use of dogs for pursuing or taking foxes is prohibited March 15 through July 15.
- 16 (7) Brinkleyville Game Land in Halifax County
17 (A) Six Days per Week Area
18 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken the first open day of the applicable Deer With Visible
19 Antlers Season through the second Friday thereafter.
20 (C) Horseback riding is prohibited.
21 (D) Target Shooting is prohibited.
- 22 (8) Brunswick County Game Land in Brunswick County
23 (A) Hunting is by permit only.
24 (B) The use of dogs for hunting deer is prohibited.
- 25 (9) Buckhorn Game Land in Orange County
26 (A) Hunting is by permit only.
27 (B) Horseback riding is prohibited.
- 28 (10) Buckridge Game Land in Tyrrell County.
29 (A) Three Days per Week Area
30 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken all the open days of the applicable Deer With Visible
31 Antlers Season.
32 (C) Bear may only be taken the first three hunting days during the November Bear Season and
33 the first three hunting days of the second week of the December Bear Season. If any of
34 these days falls on a Tuesday, Friday or Saturday, bear hunting is allowed on those days.
35 (D) Target shooting is prohibited.
- 36 (11) Buffalo Cove Game Land in Caldwell and Wilkes Counties
37 (A) Six Days per Week Area

- 1 (B) The Deer With Visible Antlers season for deer consists of the open hunting days from the
2 Monday before Thanksgiving Day through the third Saturday after Thanksgiving. Deer of
3 either sex may be taken with archery equipment on open days beginning the Saturday on
4 or nearest September 10 to the third Saturday thereafter, and Monday on or nearest October
5 15 to the Saturday before Thanksgiving Day. ~~and during the Deer With Visible Antlers~~
6 ~~Season.~~ Deer with visible antlers may be taken with archery equipment the Monday
7 immediately following the closing of the Deer With Visible Antlers Season, as described
8 in this Part, through January 1. Deer may be taken with blackpowder firearms on open days
9 beginning the Monday on or nearest October 1 through the Saturday of the second week
10 thereafter, and during the Deer With Visible Antlers season.
- 11 (C) Deer of either sex may be taken the first open Saturday day of the applicable Deer With
12 Visible Antlers Season.
- 13 (D) Horseback riding is prohibited except on designated trails May 16 through August 31 and
14 all horseback riding is prohibited from September 1 through May 15.
- 15 (12) Bullard and Branch Hunting Preserve Game Lands in Robeson County
- 16 (A) Three Days per Week Area
- 17 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken all the open days of the applicable Deer With Visible
18 Antlers Season.
- 19 (13) Butner - Falls of Neuse Game Land in Durham, Granville, and Wake counties
- 20 (A) Six Days per Week Area
- 21 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken the first open day of the applicable Deer With Visible
22 Antlers Season through the second Friday thereafter.
- 23 (C) Waterfowl shall be taken only on:
- 24 (i) the opening and closing days of the applicable waterfowl seasons;
- 25 (ii) Thanksgiving, Christmas, New Year's, and Martin Luther King, Jr. Days; and
- 26 (iii) Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays of the applicable waterfowl seasons.
- 27 On the posted waterfowl impoundments a special permit is required for all waterfowl
28 hunting after November 1.
- 29 (D) Horseback riding is prohibited.
- 30 (E) Target shooting is prohibited.
- 31 (F) Wild turkey hunting is by permit only, except on those areas posted as an archery zone.
- 32 (G) The use of dogs for hunting deer is prohibited on that portion west of NC 50 and south of
33 Falls Lake.
- 34 (H) The use of bicycles is restricted to designated areas, except that this restriction does not
35 apply to hunters engaged in the act of hunting during the open days of the applicable
36 seasons for game birds and game animals. On designated bicycle riding areas, the use of

- 1 bicycles is allowed from May 15 through August 31, and on Sundays only from September
2 1 through May 14.
- 3 (I) Camping and the presence of campers and tents in designated Hunter Camping Areas are
4 limited to September 1 through the last day of February and March 31 through May 14.
- 5 (J) Camping is allowed at any time in the designated Mountains-to-Sea Trail Camping Area
6 and shall not exceed a maximum stay of two consecutive nights. Campfires are prohibited
7 in this camping area.
- 8 (14) Buxton Woods Game Land in Dare County:
- 9 (A) Six Days per Week Area
- 10 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken ~~all the first open day days~~ of the applicable Deer With
11 Visible Antlers Season through the first Friday thereafter.
- 12 (C) Target shooting is prohibited.
- 13 (15) Cape Fear River Wetlands Game Land in Pender County
- 14 (A) Six Days per Week Area
- 15 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken all the open days of the applicable Deer With Visible
16 Antlers Season.
- 17 (C) Turkey Hunting is by permit only on that portion known as the Roan Island Tract.
- 18 (D) The use of dogs for hunting deer is prohibited on the portion of the game land that is west
19 of the Black River, north of Roan Island, east of Lyon Swamp Canal to Canetuck Road,
20 and south of NC 210 to the Black River.
- 21 (E) Target shooting is prohibited.
- 22 (16) Carteret County Game Land in Carteret County
- 23 (A) Six Days per Week Area
- 24 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken the first open day of the applicable Deer With Visible
25 Antlers Season through the second Friday thereafter.
- 26 (C) The use of dogs for hunting deer is prohibited.
- 27 (17) R. Wayne Bailey-Caswell Game Land in Caswell County
- 28 (A) Three Days per Week Area
- 29 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken the first open day of the applicable Deer With Visible
30 Antlers Season through the second Wednesday thereafter.
- 31 (C) Horseback riding is allowed only during June, July, and August, and on Sundays during
32 the remainder of the year except during open turkey and deer seasons. Horseback riding is
33 allowed only on roads opened to vehicular traffic and on those gated roads and trails that
34 are posted for equestrian use. People age 16 or older horseback riding on this game land
35 shall possess a Game Lands license.
- 36 (D) The area encompassed by the following roads is permit-only for all quail and woodcock
37 hunting, and all bird dog training: From Yanceyville south on NC 62 to the intersection of

- 1 SR 1746, west on SR 1746 to the intersection of SR 1156, south on SR 1156 to the
2 intersection of SR 1783, east on SR 1783 to the intersection of NC 62, north on NC 62 to
3 the intersection of SR 1736, east on SR 1736 to the intersection of SR 1730, east on SR
4 1730 to NC 86, north on NC 86 to NC 62.
- 5 (E) On the posted waterfowl impoundment, waterfowl hunting is by permit only after
6 November 1.
- 7 (F) Camping and the presence of campers and tents in designated Hunter Camping Areas are
8 limited to September 1 through the last day of February and March 31 through May 14.
- 9 (G) Target shooting is prohibited, except at the R. Wayne Bailey-Caswell Shooting Range.
- 10 (18) Chatham Game Land in Chatham County
- 11 (A) Six Days per Week Area
- 12 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken the first open day of the applicable Deer With Visible
13 Antlers Season through the second Friday thereafter.
- 14 (C) Wild turkey hunting is by permit only.
- 15 (D) Horseback riding is allowed only during June, July, and August; and on Sundays during
16 the remainder of the year except during open turkey and deer seasons.
- 17 (E) Target shooting is prohibited.
- 18 (19) Chowan Game Land in Chowan County
- 19 (A) Six Days per Week Area
- 20 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken all the days of the applicable Deer With Visible Antlers
21 Season.
- 22 (20) Chowan Swamp Game Land in Bertie, Gates, and Hertford counties.
- 23 (A) Six Days per Week Area
- 24 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken all the open days of the applicable Deer With Visible
25 Antlers Season.
- 26 (C) Bear hunting is restricted to the first three hunting days during the November bear season
27 and the first three hunting days during the second week of the December bear season except
28 that portion of Chowan Swamp Game Land in Gates County that is east of Highway
29 158/13, south of Highway 158, west of Highway 32, and north of Catherine Creek and the
30 Chowan River where the bear season is the same as the season dates for the Gates County
31 bear season.
- 32 (D) Camping is restricted to September 1 through the last day of February and March 31
33 through May 14 in areas both designated and posted as camping areas.
- 34 (E) Horseback riding is prohibited except during May 16 through August 31 and on Sundays
35 only September 1 through May 15 on those roads that are open to vehicular traffic and on
36 those gated roads and trails posted for equestrian use.

- 1 (F) Target shooting is ~~prohibited~~ ~~prohibited~~, on the Sand Banks tract in Gates County, the area
2 ~~west of Sand Banks Road, east of the Chowan River and north of US 13/158 to the NC-~~
3 ~~VA state line.~~
- 4 (21) Cold Mountain Game Land in Haywood County
- 5 (A) Six Days per Week Area
- 6 (B) Horseback riding is prohibited except on designated trails May 16 through August 31 and
7 all horseback riding is prohibited from September 1 through May 15.
- 8 (C) Deer of either sex may be taken the first open ~~day~~ Saturday of the applicable Deer With
9 Visible Antlers Season.
- 10 (22) Columbus County Game Land in Columbus County.
- 11 (A) Three Days per Week Area
- 12 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken all the open days of the applicable Deer With Visible
13 Antlers Season.
- 14 (23) Croatan Game Land in Carteret, Craven, and Jones counties
- 15 (A) Six Days per Week Area
- 16 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken all the open days of the applicable Deer With Visible
17 Antlers Season.
- 18 (C) Waterfowl shall be taken only on the following days:
- 19 (i) the opening and closing days of the applicable waterfowl seasons;
- 20 (ii) Thanksgiving, Christmas, New Year's, and Martin Luther King, Jr. Days; and
- 21 (iii) Tuesdays and Saturdays of the applicable waterfowl seasons.
- 22 (D) Beginning on the first open waterfowl day in October through the end of the waterfowl
23 season, waterfowl hunting from designated Disabled Sportsmen blinds on the Catfish Lake
24 Waterfowl Impoundment is by permit only.
- 25 (E) Dove hunting is by permit only for the first two open days of dove season on posted areas.
26 During the rest of dove season, no permit is required to hunt doves.
- 27 (24) Currituck Banks Game Land in Currituck County
- 28 (A) Six Days per Week Area
- 29 (B) Permanent waterfowl blinds in Currituck Sound on these game lands shall be hunted by
30 permit only from November 1 through the end of the waterfowl season.
- 31 (C) Licensed hunting guides may accompany the permitted individual or party provided the
32 guides do not use a firearm.
- 33 (D) The boundary of the game land shall extend 5 yards from the edge of the marsh or shoreline.
- 34 (E) Dogs are allowed only for waterfowl hunting by permitted waterfowl hunters on the day of
35 their hunt.
- 36 (F) No screws, nails, or other objects penetrating the bark shall be used to attach a tree stand
37 or blind to a tree.

- 1 (G) Deer of either sex may be taken all the days of the applicable Deer With Visible Antlers
2 season.
- 3 (25) Dan River Game Land in Rockingham County
- 4 (A) ~~Hunting and trapping is by permit only. Three Days per Week Area~~
- 5 (B) Deer hunting is by permit only.
- 6 (C) Wild turkey hunting is by permit only.
- 7 ~~(B)(D)~~ Horseback riding is prohibited except on those areas posted for equestrian use. People age
8 16 or older horseback riding on this game land must possess a Game Lands license.
- 9 ~~(C)~~(E) Target shooting is prohibited.
- 10 (26) Dare Game Land in Dare and Hyde counties ~~County~~
- 11 (A) Six Days per Week Area
- 12 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken the first open day of the applicable Deer With Visible
13 Antlers Season through the first Friday thereafter.
- 14 (C) No hunting is allowed on posted parts of bombing range.
- 15 (D) The use and training of dogs is prohibited from March 1 through June 30.
- 16 (27) Dover Bay Game Land in Craven County
- 17 (A) Six Days per Week Area
- 18 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken all the days of the applicable Deer With Visible Antlers
19 season.
- 20 (28) DuPont State Forest Game Lands in Henderson and Transylvania counties
- 21 (A) Hunting is by permit only.
- 22 (B) The training and use of dogs for hunting is prohibited except by special hunt permit holders
23 during scheduled permit hunts.
- 24 (29) Elk Knob Game Land in Watauga County
- 25 (A) Six Days per Week Area
- 26 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken the first open day of the applicable Deer With Visible
27 Antlers Season through the first Friday thereafter.
- 28 (30) Embro Game Land in Halifax and Warren counties
- 29 (A) Six Days per Week Area
- 30 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken the first open day of the applicable Deer With Visible
31 Antlers Season through the second Friday thereafter.
- 32 (C) Horseback riding is prohibited.
- 33 (D) Target Shooting is prohibited.
- 34 (31) Goose Creek Game Land in Beaufort and Pamlico counties
- 35 (A) Six Days per Week Area
- 36 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken all the open days of the applicable Deer With Visible
37 Antlers Season.

- 1 (C) Except as provided in Part (D) of this Subparagraph, waterfowl in posted waterfowl
2 impoundments shall be taken only on the following days:
- 3 (i) the opening and closing days of the applicable waterfowl seasons;
4 (ii) Thanksgiving, Christmas, New Year's, and Martin Luther King, Jr. Days; and
5 (iii) Tuesdays and Saturdays of the applicable waterfowl seasons.
- 6 (D) Beginning on the first open waterfowl season day in October and through the end of the
7 waterfowl season, waterfowl hunting is by permit only on the following waterfowl
8 impoundments: Pamlico Point, Campbell Creek, Hunting Creek, Spring Creek, Smith
9 Creek, and Hobucken.
- 10 (E) On Pamlico Point and Campbell Creek Waterfowl Impoundments all activities, except
11 waterfowl hunting on designated waterfowl hunting days and trapping during the trapping
12 season, are restricted to the posted Scouting-only Zone during the period November 1
13 through March 15.
- 14 (F) Camping is restricted to September 1 through the last day of February and March 31
15 through May 14 in areas both designated and posted as camping areas.
- 16 (G) Hunting and vehicular access on the Parker Farm Tract is restricted from September 1
17 through January 1 and April 1 through May 15 to individuals that possess a valid hunting
18 opportunity permit.
- 19 (32) Green River Game Land in Henderson, and Polk counties
- 20 (A) Six Days per Week Area
- 21 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken the first open Saturday of the applicable Deer With Visible
22 Antlers Season.
- 23 (C) Horseback riding is prohibited.
- 24 (33) Green Swamp Game Land in Brunswick County
- 25 (A) Six Days per Week Area
- 26 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken all the open days of the applicable Deer With Visible
27 Antlers Season.
- 28 (C) On that portion north of Big Macedonia Road, east of Makatoka Road, south of Little
29 Macedonia Road, and west of Green Swamp Road, hunting and trapping ~~for bear, deer,
30 and turkey~~ is by permit only.
- 31 (D) Pursuing or chasing deer or bear with dogs for the purposes of training or hunting is
32 prohibited on that portion of the game land that is north of Big Macedonia Road, east of
33 Makatoka Road, south of Little Macedonia Road, and west of Green Swamp Road.
- 34 (34) Gull Rock Game Land in Hyde County
- 35 (A) Six Days per Week Area
- 36 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken all the open days of the applicable Deer With Visible
37 Antlers Season.

- 1 (C) Waterfowl on posted waterfowl impoundments shall be taken only on the following days:
2 (i) the opening and closing days of the applicable waterfowl seasons; and
3 (ii) Thanksgiving, Christmas, New Year's, and Martin Luther King, Jr. Days; and
4 (iii) Tuesdays and Saturdays of the applicable waterfowl season.
- 5 (D) Camping is restricted to September 1 through the last day of February and March 31
6 through May 14 in areas designated and posted as camping areas.
- 7 (E) Bear may only be taken the first three hunting days during the November Bear Season and
8 the first three hunting days during the second week of the December Bear Season, except
9 for that portion designated as bear sanctuary.
- 10 (35) Harris Game Land in Chatham, Harnett, and Wake counties
- 11 (A) Six Days per Week Area
- 12 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken the first open day of the applicable Deer With Visible
13 Antlers Season through the second Friday thereafter.
- 14 (C) Waterfowl shall be taken only on the following days:
15 (i) Tuesdays, Fridays, and Saturdays of the applicable waterfowl seasons;
16 (ii) Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's Days; and
17 (iii) the opening and closing days of the applicable waterfowl seasons.
- 18 (D) The use or construction of permanent hunting blinds shall be prohibited.
- 19 (E) Wild turkey hunting is by permit only, except on those areas posted as an archery zone.
- 20 (F) Target shooting is prohibited.
- 21 (G) Horseback riding is prohibited.
- 22 (36) Headwaters State Forest Game Land in Transylvania County
- 23 (A) Six Days per Week Area
- 24 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken the first open day of the applicable Deer With Visible
25 Antlers Season
- 26 (37) Hill Farm Game Land in Stokes County- hunting and trapping is by permit only.
- 27 (38) Holly Shelter Game Land in Pender County
- 28 (A) Six Days per Week Area
- 29 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken all the open days of the applicable Deer With Visible
30 Antlers Season.
- 31 (C) Waterfowl may be taken only on the following days:
32 (i) the opening and closing days of the applicable waterfowl seasons;
33 (ii) Thanksgiving, Christmas, New Year's, and Martin Luther King, Jr. Days; and
34 (iii) Tuesdays and Saturdays of the applicable waterfowl seasons.
- 35 (D) Camping is restricted to September 1 through the last day of February and March 31
36 through May 14 in areas designated and posted as camping areas.

- 1 (E) On that portion north of the Bear Garden Road, west of Shaw Road to Baby Branch, east
2 of the Northeast Cape Fear River, south of NC 53 and west of NC 50, deer hunting and
3 bear hunting are permit only.
- 4 (F) The use of dogs for hunting deer and bear is prohibited:
- 5 (i) all open days on that portion of the game land that is south of Baby Branch
6 extending west to Stag Park Road, west of Shaw Road, north of Meeks Road
7 extending west to Stag Park Road and east of Stag Park Road; and
- 8 (ii) on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays, with the exception of Thanksgiving,
9 Christmas, and New Year's days, and except for the area north of Bear Garden
10 Road, west of Shaw Road to Baby Branch, east of the Northeast Cape Fear River,
11 south of NC 53 and west of NC 50, where the use of dogs for deer and bear hunting
12 is by permit only.
- 13 (G) Hunting and vehicular access on the Pender 4 Tract is restricted from September 1 to the
14 last day of February and April 1 to May 15 to individuals that possess valid hunting
15 opportunity permits, unless otherwise authorized by the Wildlife Resources Commission.
- 16 (H) Hunters who possess a Disabled Access Permit may operate an All Terrain Vehicle on and
17 within 100 yards of trails designated for Disabled Sportsman Access.
- 18 (I) Target shooting is prohibited, except on the Holly Shelter Shooting Range.
- 19 (J) Geocaching is restricted to closed days for taking bear, deer, turkey, and waterfowl.
- 20 (39) Hyco Game land in Person County
- 21 (A) Six Days per Week Area
- 22 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken the first open day of the applicable Deer With Visible
23 Antlers Season through the second Friday thereafter.
- 24 (C) Target shooting is prohibited.
- 25 (40) J. Morgan Futch Game Land in Tyrrell County - Permit Only Area.
- 26 (41) Johns River Game Land in Burke County
- 27 (A) Hunting is by permit only.
- 28 (B) During permitted deer hunts, deer of either sex may be taken by permit holders.
- 29 (C) Entry on posted waterfowl impoundments is prohibited October 1 through March 31,
30 except by lawful waterfowl hunting permit holders and only on those days written on the
31 permits.
- 32 (D) The use or construction of permanent hunting blinds is prohibited.
- 33 (E) Camping and the presence of campers and tents in designated Hunter Camping Areas is
34 limited to August 31 through the last day of February and March 31 through May 14.
- 35 (42) Jordan Game Land in Chatham, Durham, Orange, and Wake counties
- 36 (A) Six Days per Week Area

- 1 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken all the open days of the applicable Deer With Visible
2 Antlers Season.
- 3 (C) Waterfowl may be taken only on:
4 (i) Mondays, Wednesdays, and Saturdays of the applicable waterfowl seasons;
5 (ii) Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's Days; and
6 (iii) the opening and closing days of the applicable waterfowl seasons.
- 7 (D) Horseback riding is prohibited except on those areas posted as American Tobacco Trail
8 and other areas posted for equestrian use. Unless otherwise posted, horseback riding is
9 permitted on posted portions of the American Tobacco Trail anytime the trail is open for
10 use. On all other trails posted for equestrian use, horseback riding is allowed only during
11 June, July, and August, and on Sundays the remainder of the year except during open turkey
12 and deer seasons. People age 16 or older who ride horseback on trails occurring entirely
13 within the game land boundaries shall possess a Game Lands license.
- 14 (E) Target shooting is prohibited.
- 15 (F) Wild turkey hunting is by permit only, except on those areas posted as an Archery Zone.
- 16 (G) The use of bicycles is restricted to designated areas, except that this restriction does not
17 apply to hunters engaged in the act of hunting during the open days of the applicable
18 seasons for game birds and game animals.
- 19 (43) Juniper Creek Game Land in Brunswick and Columbus counties
- 20 (A) Six Days per Week Area
- 21 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken all the open days of the Deer With Visible Antlers Season.
- 22 (C) Camping is restricted to September 1 through the last day of February and March 31
23 through May 14 in areas both designated and posted as camping areas.
- 24 (44) Kerr Scott Game Land in Wilkes County
- 25 (A) Six Days per Week Area
- 26 (B) Use of centerfire rifles is prohibited.
- 27 (C) Use of blackpowder firearms, shotguns, or rifles for hunting deer during the applicable
28 Deer With Visible Antlers Season is prohibited.
- 29 (D) Tree stands shall not be left overnight; and no screws, nails, or other objects penetrating
30 the bark shall be used to attach a tree stand or blind to a tree.
- 31 (E) Deer of either sex may be taken on all open days of the applicable Deer With Visible
32 Antlers season.
- 33 (F) Hunting on posted waterfowl impoundments is by permit only.
- 34 (G) The use of firearms for hunting wild turkey is prohibited.
- 35 (45) Lantern Acres Game Land in Tyrrell and Washington counties
- 36 (A) Six Days per Week Area

- 1 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken all the open days of the applicable Deer With Visible
2 Antlers Season.
- 3 (C) Wild turkey hunting is by permit only.
- 4 (D) The use of dogs for hunting deer on the Godley Tract is prohibited.
- 5 (E) Waterfowl hunting on posted waterfowl impoundments is by permit only.
- 6 (46) Lee Game Land in Lee County
- 7 (A) Six Days per Week Area
- 8 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken the first open day of the applicable Deer With Visible
9 Antlers Season through the second Friday thereafter.
- 10 (C) Target shooting is prohibited.
- 11 (47) Light Ground Pocosin Game Land in Pamlico County
- 12 (A) Six Days per Week Area
- 13 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken all the open days of the applicable Deer with Visible
14 Antlers Season.
- 15 (48) Linwood Game Land in Davidson County
- 16 (A) Six Days per Week Area
- 17 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken on all of the open days of the applicable Deer With Visible
18 Antlers Season.
- 19 (49) Lower Fishing Creek Game Land in Edgecombe and Halifax counties
- 20 (A) Six Days per Week Area
- 21 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken the first open day of the applicable Deer With Visible
22 Antlers Season through the second Friday thereafter.
- 23 (C) Horseback riding is prohibited.
- 24 (D) The use of dogs for hunting deer is prohibited.
- 25 (F) Target Shooting is prohibited.
- 26 (50) Mayo Game Land in Person County
- 27 (A) Six Days per Week Area
- 28 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken the first open day of the applicable Deer With Visible
29 Antlers Season through the second Friday thereafter.
- 30 (C) Waterfowl shall be taken only on:
- 31 (i) Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays applicable waterfowl seasons;
- 32 (ii) Christmas and New Year's Days; and
- 33 (iii) the opening and closing days of the applicable waterfowl seasons.
- 34 (D) Target shooting is prohibited.
- 35 (51) Mitchell River Game Land in Surry County
- 36 (A) Three Days per Week Area

- 1 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken the first open day of the applicable Deer With Visible
2 Antlers Season through the second Wednesday thereafter.
- 3 (C) Horseback riding is prohibited except on designated trails May 16 through August 31, and
4 all horseback riding is prohibited from September 1 through May 15.
- 5 (52) Nantahala Game Land in Cherokee, Clay, Graham, Jackson, Macon, Swain, and Transylvania
6 counties
- 7 (A) Six Days per Week Area
- 8 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken the first open Saturday of the applicable Deer With Visible
9 Antlers Season in that portion located in Transylvania County.
- 10 (53) Needmore Game Land in Macon and Swain counties.
- 11 (A) Six Days per Week Area
- 12 (B) Horseback riding is prohibited except on designated trails May 16 through August 31, and
13 all horseback riding is prohibited from September 1 through May 15.
- 14 (C) On posted dove fields, dove hunting on the opening day of dove season is by permit only.
- 15 (54) Neuse River Game Land in Craven County
- 16 (A) Six Days per Week Area
- 17 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken all the open days of the applicable Deer With Visible
18 Antlers Season.
- 19 (C) Camping is allowed any time within 100 yards of the Neuse River on that portion of the
20 game land that lies west of NC-43.
- 21 (55) New Lake Game Land in Hyde and Tyrrell counties
- 22 (A) Six Days per Week Area
- 23 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken all the open days of the applicable Deer With Visible
24 Antlers Season.
- 25 (56) Nicholson Creek Game Land in Hoke County
- 26 (A) Three Days per Week Area
- 27 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken with archery equipment on open hunting days from the
28 Saturday on or nearest September 10 through the Friday before Thanksgiving Day.
- 29 (C) Deer of either sex may be taken with blackpowder firearms on open hunting days beginning
30 the Saturday before Thanksgiving Day through the Wednesday thereafter.
- 31 (D) The Deer With Visible Antlers season consists of the open hunting days from the second
32 Saturday before Thanksgiving through the third Saturday after Thanksgiving Day.
- 33 (E) Deer of either sex may be taken the first open day of the applicable Deer With Visible
34 Antlers Season.
- 35 (F) The use of dogs for hunting deer is prohibited.
- 36 (G) Wild turkey hunting is by permit only.
- 37 (H) On Lake Upchurch, the following activities are prohibited:

- 1 (i) Operating any vessel or vehicle powered by an internal combustion engine; and
2 (ii) Swimming.
- 3 (I) Target shooting is prohibited.
- 4 (57) North River Game Land in Camden and Currituck counties
- 5 (A) Six Days per Week Area
- 6 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken all the open days of the applicable Deer With Visible
7 Antlers Season.
- 8 (C) The boundary of the Game Land shall extend five yards from the edge of the marsh or
9 shoreline.
- 10 (D) Hunting on the posted waterfowl impoundment is by permit only.
- 11 (58) Northwest River Marsh Game Land in Currituck County
- 12 (A) Six Days per Week Area
- 13 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken all the open days of the applicable Deer With Visible
14 Antlers Season.
- 15 (C) The boundary of the Game Land shall extend five yards from the edge of the marsh or
16 shoreline.
- 17 (59) Pee Dee River Game Land in Anson, Montgomery, Richmond, and Stanly counties
- 18 (A) Six Days per Week Area
- 19 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken the first open day of the applicable Deer With Visible
20 Antlers Season through the second Friday thereafter.
- 21 (C) Use of centerfire rifles is prohibited in that portion in Anson and Richmond counties North
22 of US-74.
- 23 (D) Target shooting is prohibited.
- 24 (E) Horseback riding is allowed only on roads opened to vehicular traffic and only during the
25 following times:
- 26 (i) during June, July, and August; and
27 (ii) on Sundays during the other months or parts of months when deer and turkey
28 seasons are closed.
- 29 (60) Perkins Game Land in Davie County
- 30 (A) Three Days per Week Area
- 31 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken the first open Saturday of the applicable Deer With Visible
32 Antlers Season.
- 33 (C) Horseback riding is prohibited from November 1 through January 1.
- 34 (D) Target Shooting is prohibited.
- 35 (61) Pisgah Game Land in Avery, Buncombe, Burke, Caldwell, Haywood, Henderson, Madison,
36 McDowell, Mitchell, Transylvania, Watauga, and Yancey counties
- 37 (A) Six Days per Week Area

- 1 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken the first open Saturday of the applicable Deer With Visible
2 Antlers Season.
- 3 (C) Horseback riding is prohibited on the Black Bear (McDowell County), Linville River
4 (Burke County), and Little Tablerock Tracts (Avery, McDowell, and Mitchell counties).
- 5 (62) Pond Mountain Game Land in Ashe County
- 6 (A) Six Days per Week Area
- 7 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken the first open day of the applicable Deer With Visible
8 Antlers Season through the first Friday thereafter.
- 9 (C) Horseback riding is prohibited except on designated trails from May 16 through August 31
10 and Sundays from September 1 through October 31. All horseback riding is prohibited
11 from November 1 through May 15.
- 12 (63) Pungo River Game Land in Hyde County
- 13 (A) Six Days per Week Area
- 14 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken all the open days of the applicable Deer With Visible
15 Antlers Season.
- 16 (64) Rendezvous Mountain State Forest Game Land in Wilkes County
- 17 (A) Three Days per Week Area
- 18 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken the first open day of the applicable Deer With Visible
19 Antlers Season through the second Wednesday thereafter.
- 20 (C) Bear hunting is prohibited.
- 21 (65) Rhodes Pond Game Land in Cumberland and Harnett counties
- 22 (A) Hunting is by permit only.
- 23 (B) Swimming is prohibited on the area.
- 24 (66) Roanoke River Wetlands in Bertie, Halifax, Martin, and Northampton counties
- 25 (A) Hunting is by Permit only.
- 26 (B) Vehicles are prohibited on roads or trails except those operated on Commission business
27 or by permit holders.
- 28 (C) Camping is restricted to September 1 through the last day of February and March 31
29 through May 14 in areas both designated and posted as camping areas, provided, however,
30 that camping is allowed at any time within 100 yards of the Roanoke River on the state-
31 owned portion of the game land.
- 32 ~~(D) Target Shooting is prohibited.~~
- 33 (67) Roanoke Island Marshes Game Land in Dare County-Hunting is by permit only.
- 34 (68) Robeson Game Land in Robeson County
- 35 (A) Three Days per Week Area
- 36 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken all the open days of the applicable Deer With Visible
37 Antlers Season.

- 1 (69) Rockfish Creek Game Land in Hoke County
- 2 (A) Three Days per Week Area
- 3 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken with archery equipment on open hunting days from the
- 4 Saturday on or nearest September 10 to the fourth Friday before Thanksgiving Day.
- 5 (C) Deer of either sex may be taken with blackpowder firearms on open hunting days beginning
- 6 the fourth Saturday before Thanksgiving Day through the Wednesday of the second week
- 7 thereafter.
- 8 (D) The Deer With Visible Antlers season consists of the open hunting days from the second
- 9 Saturday before Thanksgiving Day through the third Saturday after Thanksgiving Day.
- 10 (E) Deer of either sex may be taken the first open day of the applicable Deer With Visible
- 11 Antlers Season.
- 12 (F) The use of dogs for hunting deer is prohibited.
- 13 (G) Wild turkey hunting is by permit only.
- 14 (H) Taking fox squirrels is prohibited.
- 15 (I) Target shooting is prohibited.
- 16 (70) Rocky Run Game Land in Onslow County - Hunting is by permit only.
- 17 (71) Sampson Game Land in Sampson County
- 18 (A) Three Days per Week Area
- 19 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken all the open days of the applicable Deer With Visible
- 20 Antlers Season.
- 21 (C) Target shooting is prohibited.
- 22 (72) Sandhills Game Land in Hoke, Moore, Richmond, and Scotland counties
- 23 (A) Three Days per Week Area
- 24 (B) Hunting is prohibited on the J. Robert Gordon Field Trial Grounds from October 22
- 25 through March 31 except as follows:
- 26 (i) deer of either-sex may be taken with archery equipment on all the open days of
- 27 the archery season through the fourth Friday before Thanksgiving Day; with
- 28 blackpowder firearms and archery equipment all the open days of the
- 29 blackpowder firearms season through the third Wednesday before Thanksgiving
- 30 Day; and only deer with visible antlers may be taken with all legal weapons from
- 31 the second Saturday before Thanksgiving Day through the Saturday following
- 32 Thanksgiving Day;
- 33 (ii) dove may be taken all open days from the opening day of the dove season through
- 34 the third Saturday thereafter;
- 35 (iii) squirrel (gray and fox) may be taken all the open days from second Monday before
- 36 Thanksgiving Day through the Saturday following Thanksgiving Day;

- 1 (iv) rabbit may be taken all open days from the second Saturday preceding
2 Thanksgiving Day through the Saturday following Thanksgiving Day;
- 3 (v) waterfowl may be taken on open days during any waterfowl season;
- 4 (vi) wild animals and wild birds may be taken as part of a Disabled Sportsmen
5 Program Permit Hunt; and
- 6 (vii) raccoon and opossum may be taken on open days from sunrise Monday on or
7 nearest October 15 through the last day of February.
- 8 (C) The Deer With Visible Antlers season is the open hunting days from the second Saturday
9 before Thanksgiving Day through the third Saturday after Thanksgiving Day except on the
10 J. Robert Gordon Field Trial Grounds.
- 11 (D) The archery season is all open days from the Saturday on or nearest to Sept. 10 to the fourth
12 Friday before Thanksgiving Day and, except on the J. Robert Gordon Field Trial Grounds,
13 the third Monday after Thanksgiving Day through January 1. Deer may be taken with
14 archery equipment on all open hunting days during the archery season, the Deer with
15 Visible antlers season, and the blackpowder firearms season as stated in this Subparagraph.
- 16 (E) Blackpowder firearms season is all the open days from the fourth Saturday preceding
17 Thanksgiving Day through the Wednesday of the second week thereafter and, except on
18 the J. Robert Gordon Field Trial Grounds, the third Monday after Thanksgiving Day
19 through January 1. Deer may be taken with blackpowder firearms on all open hunting days
20 during the blackpowder firearms season and the Deer With Visible Antlers season.
- 21 (F) Either-sex deer hunting during the Deer With Visible Antlers Season is by permit only.
- 22 (G) In addition to the regular hunting days, waterfowl may be taken on the opening and closing
23 days of the applicable waterfowl seasons.
- 24 (H) Wild turkey hunting is by permit only.
- 25 (I) Horseback riding on field trial grounds from October 22 through March 31 is prohibited
26 unless participating in authorized field trials.
- 27 (J) Camping and the presence of campers and tents in designated Hunter Camping Areas are
28 limited to September 1 through the last day of February and March 31 through May 14.
- 29 (K) Target shooting is prohibited, except at the John F. Lentz Hunter Education Complex.
- 30 (73) Sandy Creek Game Land in Nash and Franklin Counties
- 31 (A) Six Days per Week Area
- 32 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken the first open day of the applicable Deer With Visible
33 Antlers Season through the second Friday thereafter.
- 34 (C) Horseback riding is prohibited.
- 35 (D) The use of dogs for hunting deer is prohibited.
- 36 (E) Target Shooting is prohibited.
- 37 (74) Sandy Mush Game Land in Buncombe and Madison counties.

- 1 (A) Three Days per Week Area
- 2 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken the first open Saturday of the applicable Deer with Visible
- 3 Antlers season.
- 4 (C) Horseback riding is prohibited except on designated trails May 16 through August 31 and
- 5 all horseback riding is prohibited from September 1 through May 15.
- 6 (D) Dogs shall only be trained on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Saturdays and only as allowed
- 7 in 15A NCAC 10D .0102(f).
- 8 (E) Dove hunting is by permit only from the opening day through the second Saturday of dove
- 9 season.
- 10 (75) Second Creek Game Land in Rowan County- hunting is by permit only.
- 11 (76) Shocco Creek Game Land in Franklin, Halifax, Nash, and Warren counties
- 12 (A) Six Days per Week Area
- 13 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken the first open day of the applicable Deer With Visible
- 14 Antlers Season through the second Friday thereafter.
- 15 (C) Horseback riding is prohibited.
- 16 (D) Camping is restricted to September 1 through the last day of February and March 31
- 17 through May 14 in areas both designated and posted as camping areas.
- 18 (E) Target Shooting is prohibited.
- 19 (77) South Mountains Game Land in Burke, Cleveland, McDowell, and Rutherford counties
- 20 (A) Six Days per Week Area
- 21 (B) The Deer With Visible Antlers season for deer consists of the open hunting days from the
- 22 Monday before Thanksgiving Day through the third Saturday after Thanksgiving. Deer of
- 23 either sex may be taken with archery equipment on open days beginning the Saturday on
- 24 or nearest September 10 to the third Saturday thereafter, and Monday on or nearest October
- 25 15 to the Saturday before Thanksgiving Day. ~~and during the Deer With Visible Antlers~~
- 26 ~~Season.~~ Deer with visible antlers may be taken with archery equipment the Monday
- 27 immediately following the closing of the Deer With Visible Antlers Season, as described
- 28 in this Part, through January 1. Deer may be taken with blackpowder firearms on open days
- 29 beginning the Monday on or nearest October 1 through the Saturday of the second week
- 30 thereafter, and during the Deer With Visible Antlers season.
- 31 (C) Deer of either sex may be taken the first open Saturday day of the applicable Deer With
- 32 Visible Antlers Season.
- 33 (D) Horseback riding is prohibited except on designated trails May 16 through August 31 and
- 34 all horseback riding is prohibited from September 1 through May 15.
- 35 (78) Stones Creek Game Land in Onslow County
- 36 (A) **Six Days Six Days** per Week Area

- 1 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken all the open days of the applicable Deer With Visible
2 Antlers Season.
- 3 (C) The use of dogs for hunting deer is prohibited on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays.
- 4 (D) Swimming in all lakes is prohibited.
- 5 (E) Waterfowl on posted waterfowl impoundments may be taken only on the following days:
6 (i) the opening and closing days of the applicable waterfowl seasons;
7 (ii) Thanksgiving, Christmas, New Year's, and Martin Luther King, Jr. Days; and
8 (iii) Tuesdays and Saturdays of the applicable waterfowl seasons.
- 9 (F) Target shooting is prohibited.
- 10 (G) Geocaching is restricted to closed days for taking bear, deer, turkey, and waterfowl.
- 11 (79) Suggs Mill Pond Game Land in Bladen and Cumberland counties
- 12 (A) Hunting and trapping is by permit only.
- 13 (B) Camping is restricted to September 1 through the last day of February and March 31
14 through May 14 in areas both designated and posted as camping areas.
- 15 (C) Entry is prohibited on scheduled hunt or trapping days except for:
16 (i) hunters or trappers holding special hunt or trapping permits; and
17 (ii) persons using Campground Road to access Suggs Mill Pond Lake at the dam.
- 18 (D) During the period of November 1 through January 31, except on Sundays, the use of vessels
19 on Suggs Mill Pond Lake and Little Singletary Lake is limited to waterfowl hunting only
20 by waterfowl hunters possessing a valid and current Hunting Opportunity Permit issued by
21 the Wildlife Resources Commission pursuant to G.S. 113-264(d).
- 22 (E) During the period of November 1 through March 15, the use of vessels on managed
23 waterfowl impoundments is limited to waterfowl hunting only by waterfowl hunters
24 possessing a valid and current Hunting Opportunity Permit issued by the Wildlife
25 Resources Commission pursuant to G.S. 113-264(d).
- 26 (80) Sutton Lake Game Land in New Hanover and Brunswick counties
- 27 (A) Six Days per Week Area
- 28 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken the first open day of the applicable Deer With Visible
29 Antlers Season through the first Friday thereafter.
- 30 (C) Target shooting is prohibited.
- 31 (81) Tar River Game Land in Edgecombe County —~~hunting is by permit only.~~
- 32 (A) Hunting is by permit only
- 33 (B) Target Shooting is prohibited
- 34 (82) Texas Plantation Game Land in Tyrrell County - hunting is by permit only.
- 35 (83) Three Top Mountain Game Land in Ashe County
- 36 (A) Six Days per Week Area

- 1 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken the first open day of the applicable Deer With Visible
2 Antlers Season through the first Friday thereafter.
- 3 (C) Horseback riding is prohibited.
- 4 (84) Thurmond Chatham Game Land in Alleghany and Wilkes counties
- 5 (A) Six Days per Week Area
- 6 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken the first open day of the applicable Deer With Visible
7 Antlers Season through the second Friday thereafter.
- 8 (C) Horseback riding is prohibited except on designated trails May 16 through August 31, and
9 all horseback riding is prohibited from September 1 through May 15. People age 16 or
10 older horseback riding on this game land shall possess a Game Lands license.
- 11 (D) The maximum period of consecutive overnight camping at any designated campground is
12 14 days within any 30 day period from May 1 through August 31. After 14 consecutive
13 days of camping all personal belongings must be removed from the game land.
- 14 (85) Tillery game Land in Halifax County
- 15 (A) Six Days per Week Area
- 16 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken the first open day of the applicable Deer With Visible
17 Antlers Season through the second Friday thereafter.
- 18 (C) Horseback riding is prohibited.
- 19 (D) The use of dogs for hunting deer is prohibited.
- 20 (E) Wild turkey hunting is by permit only.
- 21 (F) Target Shooting is prohibited.
- 22 (86) Toxaway Game Land in Jackson and Transylvania counties
- 23 (A) Six Days per Week Area
- 24 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken the first open Saturday of the applicable Deer With Visible
25 Antlers Season.
- 26 (C) Horseback riding is prohibited except on designated trails May 16 through August 31 and
27 all horseback riding is prohibited from September 1 through May 15.
- 28 (87) Uwharrie Game Land in Davidson, Montgomery, and Randolph counties
- 29 (A) Six Days per Week Area
- 30 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken the first open day of the applicable Deer With Visible
31 Antlers Season through the second Friday thereafter.
- 32 (C) On the posted waterfowl impoundment, waterfowl may be taken only on the following
33 days:
- 34 (i) the opening and closing days of the applicable waterfowl seasons;
- 35 (ii) Thanksgiving, Christmas, New Year's, and Martin Luther King, Jr. Days; and
- 36 (iii) Mondays, Wednesdays and Saturdays of the applicable waterfowl seasons.
- 37 (D) Target shooting is prohibited, except at the Flintlock Valley Shooting Range.

- 1 (88) Vance Game Land in Vance County
2 (A) Six Days per Week Area
3 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken all the open days of the applicable Deer With Visible
4 Antlers Season.
5 (C) The use of dogs, centerfire rifles, and handguns for hunting deer is prohibited on the
6 Nutbush Peninsula tract.
- 7 (89) Van Swamp Game Land in Beaufort and Washington counties
8 (A) Six Days per Week Area
9 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken all the open days of the applicable Deer With Visible
10 Antlers Season.
11 (C) Bear may only be taken the first three hunting days during the November Bear Season and
12 the first three hunting days during the second week of the December Bear Season.
- 13 (90) Voice of America Game Land in Beaufort County ~~—hunting and trapping is by permit only.~~
14 (A) Hunting and trapping is by permit only.
15 (B) Target Shooting is prohibited.
- 16 (91) White Oak River Game Land in Onslow County
17 (A) Three Days per Week Area
18 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken all the open days of the applicable Deer With Visible
19 Antlers Season.
20 (C) Except as provided in Part (D) of this Subparagraph, waterfowl in posted waterfowl
21 impoundments shall be taken only on the following days:
22 (i) the opening and closing days of the applicable waterfowl seasons;
23 (ii) Thanksgiving, Christmas, New Year's, and Martin Luther King, Jr. Days; and
24 (iii) Tuesdays and Saturdays of the applicable waterfowl seasons.
25 (D) Beginning on the first open waterfowl season day in October and through the end of the
26 waterfowl season, a permit is required for hunting posted waterfowl impoundments.
27 (E) The Huggins Tract and Morton Tracts have the following restrictions:
28 (i) access on Hargett Avenue and Sloan Farm Road requires a valid Hunting
29 Opportunity Permit issued by the Wildlife Resources Commission pursuant to
30 G.S. 113-264(d);
31 (ii) hunting is by permit only; and
32 (iii) the use of dogs for hunting deer is prohibited.
33 (F) Wild turkey hunting is by permit only.
34 (G) Target Shooting is prohibited.
- 35 (92) Whitehall Plantation Game Land in Bladen ~~County~~ and Pender counties
36 (A) Hunting and trapping is by permit only.

1 (B) Camping is restricted to September 1 through the last day of February and March 31
2 through May 14 in areas both designated and posted as camping areas.

3 ~~(C)~~ Pursuing or chasing deer or bear with dogs for the purposes of training or hunting is
4 prohibited on the Long Ridge Tract.

5 (93) William H. Silver Game Land in Haywood County

6 (A) Six Days per Week Area

7 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken the first open Saturday of the applicable Deer With Visible
8 Antlers Season.

9 ~~(h)~~ On permitted type hunts, deer of either sex may be taken on the hunt dates indicated on the permit. Completed
10 applications shall be received by the Commission not later than the first day of September next preceding the dates of
11 hunt. Permits shall be issued by random computer selection, shall be mailed to the permittees prior to the hunt, and
12 are nontransferable. A hunter making a kill shall validate the kill and report the kill to a wildlife cooperater agent or
13 by phone.

14 ~~(i)~~ The following game lands and refuges are closed to all hunting except to those individuals who have obtained
15 a valid and current permit from the Wildlife Resources Commission:

16 (1) Bertie, Halifax and Martin counties—Roanoke River Wetlands;

17 (2) Bertie County—Roanoke River National Wildlife Refuge;

18 (3) Bladen County—Suggs Mill Pond Game Lands;

19 (4) Burke County—John's River Waterfowl Refuge;

20 (5) Dare County—Dare Game Lands (Those parts of bombing range posted against hunting);

21 (6) Dare County—Roanoke Sound Marshes Game Lands; and

22 (7) Henderson and Transylvania counties—DuPont State Forest Game Lands.

23 ~~(j)~~ Access to Hunting Creek Swamp Waterfowl Refuge in Davie County requires written permission from the
24 Commission. Written permission may be granted only when entry onto the Waterfowl Refuge will not compromise
25 the primary purpose for establishing the Waterfowl Refuge and the person requesting entry can demonstrate a valid
26 need or the person is a contractor or agent of the Commission conducting official business. "Valid need" includes
27 issues of access to private property, scientific investigations, surveys, or other access to conduct activities in the public
28 interest.

29 ~~(k)~~ Feral swine may be taken by licensed hunters during the open season for any game animal or game bird using
30 any legal manner of take allowed during those seasons. Dogs may not be used to hunt feral swine except on game
31 lands that allow the use of dogs for hunting deer or bear, and during the applicable deer or bear season.

32 ~~(l)~~ Youth Waterfowl Day. On the day declared by the Commission to be Youth Waterfowl Day, youths may hunt
33 on any game land and on any impoundment without a special hunt permit, including permit-only areas, except where
34 prohibited in Paragraph (h) of this Rule.

35 ~~(m)~~ Permit Hunt Opportunities for Disabled Sportsmen. The Commission may designate special hunts for
36 participants of the disabled sportsman program by permit. The Commission may schedule these permit hunts during

1 the closed season. Hunt dates and species to be taken shall be identified on each permit. If the hunt has a limited
2 weapon choice, the allowed weapons shall be stated on each permit.

3 ~~(n)~~ As used in this Rule, horseback riding includes all equine species.

4 ~~(o)~~ When waterfowl hunting is ~~specifically permitted~~ authorized in this Rule on Christmas and New Years' Day
5 and those days fall on Sundays, the open waterfowl hunting day shall be the following day.

6
7 *History Note: Authority G.S. 113-134; 113-264; 113-291.2; 113-291.5; 113-296; 113-305;*

8 *Eff. February 1, 1976;*

9 *Temporary Amendment Eff. October 3, 1991;*

10 *Amended Eff. July 1, 1998; July 1, 1997; July 1, 1996; September 1, 1995; July 1, 1995; September*
11 *1, 1994; July 1, 1994;*

12 *Temporary Amendment Eff. October 1, 1999; July 1, 1999;*

13 *Amended Eff. July 1, 2000;*

14 *Temporary Amendment Eff. July 1, 2002; July 1, 2001;*

15 *Amended Eff. August 1, 2002 (approved by RRC on 06/21/01 and 04/18/02);*

16 *Temporary Amendment Eff. June 1, 2003;*

17 *Amended Eff. June 1, 2004 (this replaces the amendment approved by RRC on July 17, 2003);*

18 *Amended Eff. August 1, 2019; August 1, 2018; August 1, 2017; August 1, 2016; May 1, 2015; August*
19 *1, 2014; January 1, 2013; August 1, 2012; August 1, 2011; August 1, 2010; May 1, 2009; May 1,*
20 *2008; May 1, 2007; October 1, 2006; August 1, 2006; May 1, 2006; February 1, 2006; June 1,*
21 *2005; October 1, 2004.*

22

23

24

1 15A NCAC 10E .0104 is amended with changes as published in 33:11 NCR 1146 as follows:

2
3 **15A NCAC 10E .0104 USE OF AREAS REGULATED**

4 (a) No person shall leave any vehicle, boat trailer or other obstruction on any public fishing or boating access area in
5 such a location, position or condition that ~~it will prevent or impede~~ prevents or impedes the use by other persons of
6 any ramp or other facility constructed for the purpose of launching or landing boats or fishing.

7 ~~(b) No person shall leave parked any park a~~ vehicle, boat, boat ~~trailer trailer,~~ or other object ~~at any place on any public~~
8 ~~fishing or boating access area other than on such place or zone as is designated as an authorized parking zone and~~
9 ~~posted or marked as such, at a public fishing or boating access area unless parking in a designated parking zone. Public~~
10 ~~fishing or boating access areas and facilities remain available for use when designated parking zones are at capacity.~~
11 ~~When designated parking zones are at capacity, any person may enter and use the areas or facilities, provided other~~
12 ~~arrangements for parking are made that do not violate this Rule or the regulations of this Subchapter, if applicable. No~~
13 ~~person shall operate a vehicle at a public fishing or boating access area in a manner that endangers life, limb, or~~
14 ~~property.~~

15 ~~(b)~~ (c) No person shall possess a loaded firearm on any public fishing or boating access area, except that a handgun
16 may be carried by an individual with a valid concealed handgun permit. The individual carrying a handgun must
17 adhere to the requirements set forth in North Carolina G.S. 14-415.11, even if the state issuing the concealed handgun
18 permit is not North Carolina. The permission to carry a handgun does not apply to access areas on the following game
19 lands:

- 20 (1) Bladen Lakes State Forest
- 21 (2) Buckhorn
- 22 (3) Butner-Falls of Neuse
- 23 (4) Chatham
- 24 (5) DuPont State Forest
- 25 (6) Harris
- 26 (7) Hyco
- 27 (8) Jordan
- 28 (9) Kerr Scott
- 29 (10) Lee
- 30 (11) Mayo
- 31 (12) Pee Dee River north of U.S 74
- 32 (13) Sutton Lake
- 33 (14) Vance
- 34 (15) the portion of R. Wayne Bailey-Caswell that is located north of U.S. 158 and east of N.C. 119

35 No person shall operate a vehicle on any public fishing or boating access area in a manner so as to endanger life or
36 property.

1
2
3
4
5
6
7
8
9
10
11
12
13
14
15
16
17
18
19
20
21
22
23
24
25
26
27
28
29
30
31
32
33
34
35
36

~~(e)~~ (d) No person, when using any public fishing or boating access area, shall deposit ~~any~~ debris or refuse anywhere on the grounds of the area. No person, when using any public fishing or boating access area, shall do any act ~~which~~ ~~that~~ is prohibited or neglect to do any act ~~which~~ ~~that~~ is required by signs or markings placed on such area under authority of this Rule for the purpose of regulating the use of the area. ~~At any time when all designated parking zones on any public fishing or boating access area are full, any person may enter and use such facilities, provided such person makes other arrangements for parking and violates none of the provisions of this Rule or the signs or markings made or posted pursuant hereto.~~

~~(d)~~ (c) No person shall operate a motorboat in the public waters of North Carolina within 50 yards of a Commission-owned or managed boat launching ramp at greater than "no wake" speed. For the purpose of this Rule, "no wake" speed means idling speed or a slow speed creating no appreciable wake.

~~(e)~~ (f) Except where facilities are provided, it is unlawful to use any boating access area for purposes other than the launching of boats and parking vehicles and boat trailers. All other ~~uses~~ ~~uses~~, including swimming, skiing, camping, building fires, operating concessions or other activities not directly involved with launching of ~~boats~~ ~~boats~~ are prohibited, except ~~that~~ those ~~activities~~ ~~activities~~, including fish ~~weigh-ins and weigh-ins~~, for which a permit has been issued may be conducted, provided that the permit authorizing such activity is available for inspection by wildlife enforcement officers at the time the activity is taking place.

~~(f)~~ (g) Except where facilities are provided and approved uses are posted, it is unlawful to use any public fishing area for purposes other than fishing. All prohibited uses and activities shall be posted including possession of loaded firearms (except as allowed in Paragraph (b) of this Rule), swimming, launching or mooring jet skis or boats, skiing, building fires, operating concessions, or other activities not directly associated with fishing.

~~(g)~~ (h) It is unlawful to feed or release animals or birds, domesticated animals and feral animals on public fishing or boating access areas without prior written authorization of the Wildlife Resources Commission. Written authorization will only be granted to persons acting on behalf of the Commission, to persons conducting scientific investigations or surveys, and for release of rehabilitated wildlife. Written authorization will not be granted for any feeding or release that is inimical to the conservation of native wildlife resources. For the purpose of enforcing this Paragraph, "domesticated animals" does not include pets under the control of the owner and raptors or hunting dogs where otherwise permitted for hunting or training purposes.

~~(h)~~ (i) The use of gasoline powered motors on Ethridge Pond Public Fishing Area and Newbold Pond Public Fishing Area in Edgecombe County is prohibited.

*History Note: Authority G.S. 75A-14; 113-134; 113-264;
Eff. February 1, 1976;
Amended Eff. August 1, 2019; August 1, 2012; August 1, 2010; May 1, 2009; July 1, 1995; February 1, 1994; September 1, 1992; July 1, 1991.*