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SUBCHAPTER 03H – SCOPE OF MANAGEMENT	**SECTION .0100 – SCOPE OF MANAGEMENT**	15A NCAC 03H .0102	SCOPE OF MANAGEMENT	Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. January 9, 2018.	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03H .0103	PROCLAMATIONS, GENERAL	Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. January 9, 2018.	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
SUBCHAPTER 03I – GENERAL RULES	**SECTION .0100 – GENERAL RULES**	15A NCAC 03I .0101	DEFINITIONS	Amended Eff. March 24, 2025	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03I .0102	TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF RULES	Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. January 9, 2018.	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03I .0103	CONFISCATION AND DISPOSITION	Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. January 9, 2018.	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03I .0104	INTRODUCE, TRANSFER, OR HOLD IMPORTED MARINE AND ESTUARINE ORGANISMS	Readopted Eff. March 15, 2023	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03I .0105	LEAVING DEVICES UNATTENDED	Readopted Eff. March 15, 2023	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03I .0107	ENDANGERED OR THREATENED SPECIES	Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. January 9, 2018.	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03I .0108	OCEAN FISHING PIERS	Readopted Eff. April 1, 2022	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03I .0109	RESEARCH SANCTUARIES	Readopted Eff. August 23, 2022	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03I .0110	MILITARY DANGER ZONES AND RESTRICTED AREAS	Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. January 9, 2018	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03I .0113	DATA COLLECTION	Amended Eff. March 24, 2025	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03I .0114	RECORDKEEPING REQUIREMENTS	Readopted Eff. March 15, 2023	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03I .0115	REPLACEMENT COSTS OF MARINE AND ESTUARINE RESOURCES - FISH	Readopted Eff. April 1, 2022	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03I .0116	CORAL AND LIVE ROCK	Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. January 9, 2018.	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03I .0118	DISPOSAL OF EVIDENCE	Readopted Eff. March 15, 2023	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03I .0119	PROHIBITED FISHING ACTIVITY DUE TO PUBLIC HEALTH OR SAFETY	Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. January 9, 2018.	Necessary	No		No	Necessary

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		15A NCAC 03I .0120	POSSESSION OR TRANSPORTATION LIMITS THROUGH STATE WATERS; SALE OF NATIVE SPECIES	Readopted Eff. April 1, 2019	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03I .0121	MAPS AND MARKING	Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. January 9, 2018.	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03I .0122	USER CONFLICT RESOLUTION	Readopted Eff. April 1, 2022	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
SUBCHAPTER 03J - NETS, POTS, DREDGES, AND OTHER FISHING DEVICES	**SECTION .0100 - NET RULES, GENERAL**	15A NCAC 03J .0101	FIXED OR STATIONARY NETS	Readopted Eff. March 15, 2023	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03J .0102	NETS OR NET STAKES	Readopted Eff. April 1, 2019	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03J .0103	GILL NETS, SEINES, IDENTIFICATION, RESTRICTIONS	Readopted Eff. August 23, 2022	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03J .0104	TRAWL NETS	Readopted Eff. August 23, 2022	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03J .0105	PURSE SEINES	Readopted Eff. March 15, 2023	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03J .0106	CHANNEL NETS	Readopted Eff. August 23, 2022	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03J .0108	NETS PULLED BY MORE THAN ONE VESSEL	Readopted Eff. April 1, 2019	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03J .0109	LONG HAUL AND SWIPE NET REQUIREMENTS	Readopted Eff. March 15, 2023	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03J .0110	SEINES	Readopted Eff. March 15, 2023	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03J .0111	FYKE OR HOOP NETS	Readopted Eff. August 23, 2022	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
	SECTION .0200 - NET RULES, SPECIFIC AREAS	15A NCAC 03J .0202	ATLANTIC OCEAN	Readopted Eff. August 23, 2022	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03J .0203	CHOWAN RIVER AND MEHERRIN RIVER	Readopted Eff. April 1, 2019	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03J .0204	CURRITUCK SOUND AND ITS TRIBUTARIES	Readopted Eff. April 1, 2019	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03J .0206	SOUTHPORT BOAT HARBOR	Readopted Eff. April 1, 2019	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03J .0207	NUCLEAR PLANT INTAKE CANAL	Readopted Eff. April 1, 2019	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03J .0208	NEW RIVER	Readopted Eff. August 23, 2022	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03J .0209	ALBEMARLE SOUND AND CHOWAN RIVER RIVER HERRING MANAGEMENT AREAS	Readopted Eff. April 1, 2019	Necessary	No		No	Necessary

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	SECTION .0300 - POTS, DREDGES, AND OTHER FISHING DEVICES	15A NCAC 03J .0301	POTS	Readopted Eff. March 15, 2023	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03J .0302	RECREATIONAL USE OF POTS	Readopted Eff. March 15, 2023	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03J .0303	DREDGES AND MECHANICAL METHODS PROHIBITED	Readopted Eff. April 1, 2019	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03J .0304	ELECTRICAL FISHING DEVICE IN CAPE FEAR RIVER	Readopted Eff. April 1, 2019	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03J .0305	TROTLINES (MULTIPLE HOOK OR MULTIPLE BAIT)	Readopted Eff. March 15, 2023	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03J .0306	HOOK AND LINE	Readopted Eff. April 1, 2019	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
	SECTION .0400 - FISHING GEAR	15A NCAC 03J .0401	FISHING GEAR	Readopted Eff. April 1, 2022	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03J .0402	FISHING GEAR RESTRICTIONS	Readopted Eff. August 23, 2022	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03J .0404	OCEAN ARTIFICIAL REEF GEAR RESTRICTIONS	Eff. August 23, 2022	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
	SECTION .0500 – POUND NETS	15A NCAC 03J .0501	DEFINITIONS AND STANDARDS FOR POUND NETS AND POUND NET SETS	Readopted Eff. March 15, 2023	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03J .0502	POUND NET SET PERMIT APPLICATION AND PROCESSING	Readopted Eff. June 1, 2022	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03J .0503	POUND NET SET PERMIT RENEWAL	Readopted Eff. June 1, 2022	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03J .0504	POUND NET SET PERMIT TRANSFER	Readopted Eff. June 1, 2022	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03J .0505	POUND NET SET PERMIT CONDITIONS	Readopted Eff. June 1, 2022	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
SUBCHAPTER 03K - OYSTERS, CLAMS, SCALLOPS, AND MUSSELS	**SECTION .0100 – SHELLFISH, GENERAL**	15A NCAC 03K .0101	PROHIBITED ACTIVITIES IN POLLUTED SHELLFISH AREAS	Amended Eff. March 24, 2025	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03K .0102	RAKES PROHIBITED	Readopted Eff. March 15, 2023	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03K .0103	SHELLFISH MANAGEMENT AREAS	Readopted Eff. March 15, 2023	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03K .0105	RECREATIONAL HARVEST OF SHELLFISH	Readopted Eff. June 1, 2022	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03K .0106	TAKING OR UNLOADING OYSTERS AND CLAMS ON SUNDAY OR AT NIGHT	Readopted Eff. June 1, 2022	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03K .0107	DEPURATION OF CLAMS AND OYSTERS	Readopted Eff. March 15, 2023	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03K .0108	DREDGES AND MECHANICAL METHODS PROHIBITED	Readopted Eff. March 15, 2023	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03K .0109	SHELLFISH HARVEST TAGS	Readopted Eff. March 15, 2023	Necessary	No		No	Necessary

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		15A NCAC 03K .0110	PUBLIC HEALTH AND CONTROL OF OYSTERS, CLAMS, SCALLOPS, AND MUSSELS	Amended Eff. August 1, 2024	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
	SECTION .0200 – OYSTERS	15A NCAC 03K .0201	OYSTER HARVEST MANAGEMENT	Readopted Eff. June 1, 2022	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03K .0202	CULLING REQUIREMENTS FOR OYSTERS	Readopted Eff. March 15, 2023	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03K .0204	MECHANICAL METHODS FOR OYSTERING PROHIBITED	Readopted Eff. March 15, 2023	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03K .0205	MARKETING OYSTERS TAKEN FROM A SHELLFISH LEASE OR FRANCHISE	Readopted Eff. March 15, 2023	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03K .0207	OYSTER SIZE AND HARVEST LIMIT EXEMPTIONS	Readopted Eff. March 15, 2023	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03K .0208	SEED OYSTER MANAGEMENT AREAS	Readopted Eff. March 15, 2023	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03K .0209	OYSTER SANCTUARIES	Readopted Eff. March 15, 2023	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
	SECTION .0300 - HARD CLAMS (MERCENARIA)	15A NCAC 03K .0301	SIZE AND HARVEST LIMITS OF CLAMS	Amended Eff. March 24, 2025	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03K .0302	MECHANICAL HARVEST OF CLAMS FROM PUBLIC BOTTOM	Readopted Eff. June 1, 2022	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03K .0304	PROHIBITED TAKING OF CLAMS	Readopted Eff. March 15, 2023	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03K .0305	CLAM SIZE AND HARVEST LIMIT EXEMPTIONS	Readopted Eff. March 15, 2023	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
	SECTION .0400 - RANGIA CLAMS	15A NCAC 03K .0402	SIZE AND HARVEST LIMITS	Readopted Eff. April 1, 2019	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03K .0404	DREDGES AND MECHANICAL METHODS PROHIBITED AND OPEN SEASON	Readopted Eff. April 1, 2019	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
	SECTION .0500 - SCALLOPS	15A NCAC 03K .0501	BAY SCALLOP HARVEST MANAGEMENT	Readopted Eff. April 1, 2019	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03K .0502	TAKING BAY SCALLOPS AT NIGHT AND ON WEEKENDS	Readopted Eff. April 1, 2019	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03K .0503	BAY SCALLOP DREDGE PROHIBITED	Readopted Eff. April 1, 2019	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03K .0504	CALICO SCALLOP HARVEST MANAGEMENT	Readopted Eff. April 1, 2019	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03K .0505	SEA SCALLOPS SIZE LIMIT AND TOLERANCE	Readopted Eff. March 15, 2023	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03K .0507	MARKETING SCALLOPS TAKEN FROM A SHELLFISH LEASE OR FRANCHISE	Amended Eff. March 15, 2023	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03K .0508	SCALLOP AQUACULTURE HARVEST EXEMPTIONS	Readopted Eff. April 1, 2019	Necessary	No		No	Necessary

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SUBCHAPTER 03L – SHRIMP, CRAB, AND LOBSTER	**SECTION .0100 - SHRIMP**	15A NCAC 03L .0101	SHRIMP HARVEST RESTRICTIONS	Readopted Eff. June 1, 2022	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03L .0102	WEEKEND SHRIMPING PROHIBITED	Readopted Eff. March 15, 2023	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03L .0103	PROHIBITED NETS, MESH LENGTHS, AND AREAS	Readopted Eff. March 15, 2023	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03L .0105	RECREATIONAL SHRIMP LIMITS	Readopted Eff. March 15, 2023	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
	SECTION .0200 – CRAB	15A NCAC 03L .0201	CRAB HARVEST RESTRICTIONS	Readopted Eff. March 15, 2023	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03L .0202	CRAB TRAWLING	Readopted Eff. March 15, 2023	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03L .0203	CRAB DREDGING	Readopted Eff. March 15, 2023	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03L .0204	CRAB POTS	Readopted Eff. March 15, 2023	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03L .0205	CRAB SPAWNING SANCTUARIES	Readopted Eff. March 15, 2023	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03L .0207	HORSESHOE CRABS	Readopted Eff. April 1, 2022	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03L .0208	STONE CRABS	Readopted Eff. April 1, 2019	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03L .0210	REPACKING OF FOREIGN CRAB MEAT PROHIBITED	Eff. August 23, 2022	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
	SECTION .0300 – LOBSTER	15A NCAC 03L .0301	AMERICAN LOBSTER (NORTHERN LOBSTER)	Readopted Eff. August 23, 2022	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03L .0302	SPINY LOBSTER	Readopted Eff. April 1, 2022	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
SUBCHAPTER 03M - FINFISH	**SECTION .0100 – FINFISH, GENERAL**	15A NCAC 03M .0101	MUTILATED FINFISH	Readopted Eff. April 1, 2019	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03M .0102	UNMARKETABLE FINFISH	Readopted April 1, 2019	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03M .0103	MINIMUM SIZE LIMITS	Readopted Eff. April 1, 2019	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
	SECTION .0200 - STRIPED BASS	15A NCAC 03M .0201	STRIPED BASS REQUIREMENTS; GENERAL	Readopted Eff. March 15, 2023	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03M .0202	STRIPED BASS SEASON, SIZE, AND HARVEST LIMIT: INTERNAL WATERS	Readopted Eff. March 15, 2023	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03M .0204	STRIPED BASS SEASON, SIZE, AND HARVEST LIMIT: ATLANTIC OCEAN	Readopted Eff. June 1, 2022	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03M .0205	STRIPED BASS; PROHIBITED TRAWLING	Readopted Eff. March 15, 2023	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
	SECTION .0300 - SPANISH AND KING MACKEREL	15A NCAC 03M .0302	PURSE GILL NET PROHIBITED	Readopted Eff. August 23, 2022	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
	SECTION .0500 – OTHER FINFISH	15A NCAC 03M .0501	RED DRUM	Readopted Eff. April 1, 2019	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03M .0502	MULLET	Readopted Eff. April 1, 2019	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03M .0503	FLOUNDER	Readopted Eff. March 15, 2023	Necessary	No		No	Necessary

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		15A NCAC 03M .0506	SNAPPER GROUPER COMPLEX	Readopted Eff. April 1, 2019	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03M .0507	BILLFISH	Readopted Eff. April 1, 2019	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03M .0508	STURGEON	Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. January 9, 2018	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03M .0509	TARPON	Readopted Eff. March 17, 2021	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03M .0510	AMERICAN EEL	Readopted Eff. April 1, 2019	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03M .0512	COMPLIANCE WITH FISHERY MANAGEMENT PLANS	Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. January 9, 2018	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03M .0513	RIVER HERRING	Readopted Eff. April 1, 2019	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03M .0515	DOLPHIN	Readopted Eff. April 1, 2019	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03M .0517	WAHOO	Readopted Eff. April 1, 2019	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03M .0518	KINGFISHES (SEA MULLET)	Readopted Eff. April 1, 2019	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03M .0519	SHAD	Readopted Eff. August 23, 2022	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03M .0520	TUNA	Readopted Eff. April 1, 2019	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03M .0521	SHEEPSHEAD	Readopted Eff. April 1, 2019	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03M .0522	SPOTTED SEATROUT	Eff. May 1, 2017	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
SUBCHAPTER 03N - FISH HABITAT AREAS		15A NCAC 03N .0101	SCOPE AND PURPOSE	Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. January 9, 2018	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03N .0103	NURSERY AREA BOUNDARIES	Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. January 9, 2018	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03N .0104	PROHIBITED GEAR, PRIMARY NURSERY AREAS	Readopted Eff. March 15, 2023	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03N .0105	PROHIBITED GEAR, SECONDARY NURSERY AREAS	Readopted Eff. March 15, 2023	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03N .0106	ANADROMOUS FISH SPAWNING AREA BOUNDARIES	Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. January 9, 2018	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
SUBCHAPTER 03O - LICENSES, LEASES, FRANCHISES, AND PERMITS	**SECTION .0100 - LICENSES**	15A NCAC 03O .0101	PROCEDURES AND REQUIREMENTS TO OBTAIN LICENSES, ENDORSEMENTS, AND COMMERCIAL FISHING VESSEL REGISTRATIONS	Amended Eff. March 24, 2025	Necessary	No		No	Necessary

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		15A NCAC 03O .0102	PROCEDURES AND REQUIREMENTS TO RENEW LICENSES, ENDORSEMENTS, AND COMMERCIAL FISHING VESSEL REGISTRATIONS	Readopted Eff. March 15, 2023	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03O .0103	AUXILIARY VESSELS	Readopted Eff. June 1, 2022	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03O .0104	COMMERCIAL UNLOADING OF FISH	Readopted Eff. March 15, 2023	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03O .0105	REQUIREMENTS FOR MUSSEL DEALERS	Readopted Eff. June 1, 2022	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03O .0106	DISPLAY OF LICENSES AND REGISTRATIONS	Readopted Eff. April 1, 2019	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03O .0107	LICENSE REPLACEMENT AND FEES	Readopted Eff. June 1, 2022	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03O .0108	LICENSE AND COMMERCIAL FISHING VESSEL REGISTRATION TRANSFERS	Readopted Eff. March 17, 2021	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03O .0109	ASSIGNMENT OF STANDARD COMMERCIAL FISHING LICENSE	Amended Eff. March 24, 2025	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03O .0110	LICENSE REFUNDS	Readopted Eff. June 1, 2022	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03O .0111	SURRENDER OF LICENSES	Readopted Eff. March 15, 2023	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03O .0112	FOR-HIRE LICENSE REQUIREMENTS	Amended Eff. March 24, 2025	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03O .0113	OCEAN FISHING PIER REPORTING REQUIREMENTS	Readopted Eff. March 15, 2023	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03O .0114	SUSPENSION, REVOCATION, AND REISSUANCE OF LICENSES	Readopted Eff. March 15, 2023	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
	SECTION .0200 – SHELLFISH LEASES AND FRANCHISES	15A NCAC 03O .0201	STANDARDS AND REQUIREMENTS FOR SHELLFISH LEASES AND FRANCHISES	Amended Eff. March 24, 2025	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03O .0202	SHELLFISH LEASE APPLICATIONS	Readopted Eff. August 23, 2022	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03O .0203	SHELLFISH LEASE APPLICATION PROCESSING	Readopted Eff. June 1, 2022	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03O .0204	MARKING SHELLFISH LEASES AND FRANCHISES	Readopted Eff. August 23, 2022	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03O .0205	SHELLFISH LEASE RENEWAL	Readopted Eff. June 1, 2022	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03O .0206	SHELLFISH LEASE APPLICATION: REQUEST FOR REVIEW	Readopted Eff. June 1, 2022	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03O .0207	SHELLFISH LEASE AND FRANCHISE PRODUCTION REPORTS	Readopted Eff. June 1, 2022	Necessary	No		No	Necessary

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		15A NCAC 03O .0208	TERMINATION PROCEDURES FOR SHELLFISH LEASES AND FRANCHISES	Readopted Eff. June 1, 2022	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03O .0209	ASSIGNMENT OF SHELLFISH LEASES AND FRANCHISES	Readopted Eff. July 1, 2022	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03O .0210	STANDARDS AND REQUIREMENTS FOR FRANCHISES	Readopted Eff. June 1, 2022	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03O .0211	FISHING GEAR REQUIREMENTS FOR SHELLFISH LEASES AND FRANCHISES	Readopted Eff. March 15, 2023	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
	SECTION .0300 – RECREATIONAL COMMERCIAL GEAR LICENSES	15A NCAC 03O .0301	ELIGIBILITY AND REQUIREMENTS FOR RECREATIONAL COMMERCIAL GEAR LICENSES	Amended Eff. March 24, 2025	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03O .0302	AUTHORIZED GEAR FOR RECREATIONAL COMMERCIAL GEAR LICENSES	Readopted Eff. March 15, 2023	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03O .0303	POSSESSION LIMITS FOR RECREATIONAL COMMERCIAL GEAR LICENSES	Readopted Eff. March 15, 2023	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
	SECTION .0400 – STANDARD COMMERCIAL FISHING LICENSE ELIGIBILITY	15A NCAC 03O .0401	STANDARD COMMERCIAL FISHING LICENSE ELIGIBILITY BOARD	Readopted Eff. June 1, 2022	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03O .0402	STANDARD COMMERCIAL FISHING LICENSE ELIGIBILITY APPLICATION PROCESS	Readopted Eff. June 1, 2022	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03O .0403	STANDARD COMMERCIAL FISHING LICENSE ELIGIBILITY BOARD REVIEW	Readopted Eff. June 1, 2022	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03O .0404	STANDARD COMMERCIAL FISHING LICENSE ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA	Readopted Eff. June 1, 2022	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03O .0405	STANDARD COMMERCIAL FISHING LICENSE ELIGIBILITY POOL APPLICATION DOCUMENTATION	Readopted Eff. March 15, 2023	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03O .0406	STANDARD COMMERCIAL FISHING LICENSE ELIGIBILITY POOL CERTIFICATION	Readopted Eff. June 1, 2022	Necessary	No		No	Necessary

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	SECTION .0500 - PERMITS	15A NCAC 03O .0501	PROCEDURES AND REQUIREMENTS TO OBTAIN PERMITS	Amended Eff. March 24, 2025	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03O .0502	GENERAL PERMIT CONDITIONS	Readopted Eff. March 15, 2023	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03O .0503	PERMIT CONDITIONS; SPECIFIC	Amended Eff. March 24, 2025	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03O .0504	SUSPENSION AND REVOCATION OF PERMITS	Readopted Eff. March 15, 2023	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03O .0506	SPECIAL PERMIT REQUIRED FOR SPECIFIC MANAGEMENT PURPOSES	Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. January 9, 2018	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
SUBCHAPTER 03P - ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES	**SECTION .0100 - HEARING PROCEDURES**	15A NCAC 03P .0101	LICENSE, PERMIT, OR CERTIFICATE DENIAL: REQUEST FOR REVIEW	Readopted Eff. June 1, 2022	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03P .0102	CONTESTED CASE HEARING PROCEDURES	Readopted Eff. June 1, 2022	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
	SECTION .0200 - DECLARATORY RULINGS	15A NCAC 03P .0201	DECLARATORY RULINGS: GENERALLY	Readopted Eff. June 1, 2022	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03P .0202	PROCEDURE FOR REQUESTING DECLARATORY RULINGS	Readopted Eff. June 1, 2022	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03P .0203	DISPOSITION OF REQUESTS FOR DECLARATORY RULING	Readopted Eff. June 1, 2022	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
	SECTION .0300 - PETITIONS FOR RULEMAKING	15A NCAC 03P .0301	FORM AND CONTENTS OF PETITIONS FOR RULEMAKING	Readopted Eff. June 1, 2022	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03P .0302	REVIEW OF RULEMAKING PETITIONS BY A COMMITTEE OF THE COMMISSION	Readopted Eff. June 1, 2022	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03P .0303	PRESENTATION OF RULEMAKING PETITIONS TO THE COMMISSION	Readopted Eff. June 1 2022	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
SUBCHAPTER 03Q - JURISDICTION OF AGENCIES: CLASSIFICATION OF WATERS	**SECTION .0200 - BOUNDARY LINES: COASTAL-JOINT-INLAND FISHING WATERS**	15A NCAC 03Q .0201	SPECIFIC CLASSIFICATION OF WATERS	Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. January 9, 2018	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03Q .0202	DESCRIPTIVE BOUNDARIES FOR COASTAL-JOINT-INLAND WATERS	Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. January 9, 2018	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
SUBCHAPTER 03R - DESCRIPTIVE BOUNDARIES	**SECTION .0100 - DESCRIPTIVE BOUNDARIES**	15A NCAC 03R .0101	SEA TURTLE SANCTUARY	Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. January 9, 2018	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03R .0102	MILITARY DANGER ZONES AND RESTRICTED AREAS	Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. January 9, 2018	Necessary	No		No	Necessary

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		15A NCAC 03R .0103	PRIMARY NURSERY AREAS	Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. January 9, 2018	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03R .0104	PERMANENT SECONDARY NURSERY AREAS	Amended Eff. May 1, 2021	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03R .0105	SPECIAL SECONDARY NURSERY AREAS	Readopted Eff. May 1, 2021	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03R .0106	TRAWL NETS PROHIBITED	Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. January 9, 2018	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03R .0107	DESIGNATED POT AREAS	Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. January 9, 2018	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03R .0108	MECHANICAL METHODS PROHIBITED TO TAKE OYSTERS	Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. January 9, 2018	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03R .0109	TAKING CRABS WITH DREDGES	Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. January 9, 2018	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03R .0110	CRAB SPAWNING SANCTUARIES	Amended Eff. March 15, 2023	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03R .0111	PURSE SEINES PROHIBITED	Amended Eff. March 15, 2023	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03R .0112	ATTENDED GILL NET AREAS	Readopted Eff. April 1, 2019	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03R .0113	POUND NET SET PROHIBITED AREAS	Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. January 9, 2018	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03R .0114	SHRIMP TRAWL PROHIBITED AREAS	Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. January 9, 2018	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03R .0115	ANADROMOUS FISH SPAWNING AREAS	Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. January 9, 2018	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03R .0116	DESIGNATED SEED OYSTER MANAGEMENT AREAS	Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. January 9, 2018	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03R .0117	OYSTER SANCTUARIES	Amended Eff. August 1, 2024	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03R .0118	CRAB HARVEST MANAGEMENT AREAS	Amended Eff. March 15, 2023	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
		15A NCAC 03R .0119	OCEAN ARTIFICIAL REEFS	Eff. August 23, 2022	Necessary	No		No	Necessary
	SECTION .0200 – FISHERY MANAGEMENT AREAS	15A NCAC 03R .0201	STRIPED BASS MANAGEMENT AREAS	Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. January 9, 2018	Necessary	No		No	Necessary

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		15A NCAC 03R .0202	RIVER HERRING MANAGEMENT AREAS	Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. January 9, 2018	Necessary	No		No	Necessary