15A NCAC 10K .0103 is proposed for readoption with substantive changes as follows:

15A NCAC 10K .0103 INSTRUCTOR CERTIFICATION

(a) Hunter Education Instructors shall be certified by the Commission prior to delivering basic hunter education courses.

(b) To be eligible for Hunter Safety Education Instructor Certification an individual must:

1. Be at least 21 years of age upon the time of application;
2. Be a graduate of and possess a certificate of competency from a Commission-approved Basic Hunter Education Course approved by the Wildlife Resources Commission. Approved courses must satisfy the requirements set out in 15A NCAC 10K .0101 or be certified by a state or province that meets and or exceeds the requirements set out in 15A NCAC 10K .0101;
3. Complete and submit to the Commission, the North Carolina Hunter Safety Education Instructors Application, application, available at ncwildlife.org, with the following information:
   (A) Name, address, email, phone number; and
   (B) Date of birth.
4. Complete the 12-hour Commission-led Hunter Safety Education Instructors Course, and score 75-80 percent or higher on the written examination. Teachers certified by the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction and persons who have been certified as hunter safety instructors by another state may take an abbreviated course that is less than 12 hours;
5. Submit to a background investigation including a records check which reveals no of the following disqualifying convictions identified: convictions. Disqualifying convictions are listed as follows:
   (a)(A) a felony; or felony;
   (b)(B) a crime or unlawful act defined as a "Class 1" misdemeanor within the five-year period prior to the date of application; or
   (c)(C) any conviction of the game and fish law which would require a mandatory suspension and or revocation of a license as indicated in G.S. 113-276.3 within the three-year period prior to the date of application.

History Note: Authority G.S. 113-134; 113-270.1A;
Eff. May 1, 1996;