

1 15A NCAC 10B .0106 Possession of wildlife killed accidentally or found dead is adopted with changes as published
2 in 27:04 NCR 415 as follows:

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4 **15A NCAC 10B .0127 POSSESSION OF WILDLIFE KILLED ACCIDENTALLY OR FOUND DEAD**

5 For wildlife killed accidentally or found dead of natural causes the following applies:

- 6 (1) When a deer is accidentally killed on a road or highway by reason of collision with a motor
7 vehicle, the law enforcement officer who investigates the accident shall, upon request, authorize
8 possession and transport of the carcass of such deer for personal and lawful use, including delivery
9 of such carcass to a second person for his private use or the use by a charitable organization .
10 Commission employees may authorize possession of any deer or turkey found dead of natural
11 causes or as the result of a vehicle collision.
- 12 (2) Black bears shall not be possessed. Species listed as endangered, threatened, or of special concern
13 under 15A NCAC 10I .0103, .0104, and .0105 may be possessed with written permission. Raptors
14 and nongame migratory birds may be possessed under federal permits.
- 15 (3) For all other wildlife resources possession shall be legal. The sale of any wildlife resources or
16 wildlife parts found dead is prohibited, except licensed trappers and hunters may sell the carcasses
17 or pelt of any beaver, coyote, groundhog, mink, muskrat, nutria, opossum, otter, raccoon, skunk,
18 weasel or bobcat to a licensed fur dealer if the dead furbearing animal was found during the open
19 season for that species. Licensed trappers and hunters may also sell the carcasses or pelt of any
20 fox to a licensed fur dealer if the dead fox was found during an open fox season and the county in
21 which the fox was found allows for the sale of fox carcasses and pelts. All tagging requirements
22 set forth in 15A NCAC 10B .0400 apply.

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24 *History Note:* Authority G.S. 113-134; 113-274; 113-291.3, 113-291.4; 113-331; 113-333; 113-337;
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