

**15A NCAC 10H .1002 DUTY OF TAXIDERMIST**

(a) Before a taxidermist accepts delivery of any wildlife which may be lawfully taken in North Carolina or in any other state during a prescribed open season, he must make a reasonable effort, satisfactory to himself, that the wildlife was lawfully taken. To aid in making this determination, the taxidermist may rely upon the statement of the person delivering the wildlife or upon any applicable license or permit that may provide verification of entitlement to take or possess the wildlife in question. It is unlawful for a taxidermist to accept delivery of any wildlife the acquisition of which he knows or through the exercise of reasonable effort as described herein should know to be illegal.

(b) No taxidermist shall accept delivery of any wildlife on which there is no open season from any person other than a representative of a museum or other institution who has a permit to possess such wildlife for scientific or educational purposes.

*History Note: Authority G.S. 113-134; 113-273;  
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Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. December 6, 2016.*