

1 **15A NCAC 10D .0103 HUNTING ON GAME LANDS**

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

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

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

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

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

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

29 (e) Definitions:

- 30 (1) For purposes of this Section, "Dove Only Area" refers to a Game Land on which doves may be  
31 taken and dove hunting is limited to Mondays, Wednesdays, Saturdays, Thanksgiving Day,  
32 Christmas Day, and New Year's Days within the federally-announced season.
- 33 (2) For purposes of this Section, "Three Days per Week Area" refers to a Game Land on which any  
34 game may be taken during the open seasons and hunting is limited to Mondays, Wednesdays,  
35 Saturdays, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day, and New Year's Days, except for game lands in this  
36 Rule that specifically allow hunting on Tuesdays, Thursday, and Fridays. Falconry may also be  
37 practiced on Sundays. These "open days" also apply to either-sex deer hunting seasons listed under

1 each game land. Raccoon and opossum hunting may continue until 7:00 a.m. on Tuesdays, until  
2 7:00 a.m. on Thursdays, and until midnight on Saturdays.

3 (3) For purposes of this Section, "Six Days per Week Area" refers to a Game Land on which any game  
4 may be taken during the open seasons.

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

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

12 (h) The listed seasons and restrictions apply in the following game lands:

13 (1) Alcoa Game Land in Davidson, Davie, Montgomery, Rowan, and Stanly counties

14 (A) Six Days per Week Area

15 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken the first ~~six open day days and the last six open days~~ of the  
16 applicable Deer With Visible Antlers Season through the second Friday thereafter in that  
17 portion in Montgomery county, and deer of either sex may be taken all the open days of  
18 the applicable Deer With Visible Antlers Season in those portions in Davidson, Davie,  
19 Rowan, and Stanly counties.

20 (C) On the Lick Creek Tract, deer and bear hunting is archery only.

21 (2) Alligator River Game Land in Tyrrell County

22 (A) Six Day 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 (C) Bear may only be taken the first three hunting days during the November Bear Season and  
26 the first three hunting days during the second week of the December Bear Season.

27 (3) Angola Bay Game Land in Duplin and Pender counties

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) Target shooting is prohibited.

32 (4) Bachelor Bay Game Land in Bertie, Martin, and Washington counties

33 (A) Six Days per Week Area

34 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken all the open days of the applicable Deer With Visible  
35 Antlers Season.

36 (5) Bertie County Game Land in Bertie County

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

- 1 ~~thereafter Friday before Thanksgiving Day, and Monday on or nearest October 15 to the~~  
2 ~~Saturday before Thanksgiving~~ and during the Deer With Visible Antlers Season. Deer may  
3 be taken with blackpowder firearms on open days beginning the ~~Monday on or nearest~~  
4 ~~October 1-Saturday before Thanksgiving Day~~ through the ~~Saturday of the second week~~  
5 ~~thereafter Friday after Thanksgiving Day,~~ and during the Deer With Visible Antlers season.
- 6 (C) Deer of either sex may be taken the ~~last~~ first open day of the applicable Deer With Visible  
7 Antlers Season.
- 8 (D) 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.
- 10 (12) Bullard and Branch Hunting Preserve Game Lands in Robeson 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 (13) Butner - Falls of Neuse Game Land in Durham, Granville, and Wake counties
- 15 (A) Six Days per Week Area
- 16 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken the first ~~six open day days and the last six open days~~ of the  
17 applicable Deer With Visible Antlers ~~Season.~~ Season through the second Friday thereafter.
- 18 (C) Waterfowl shall be taken only on:
- 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, Thursdays, and Saturdays of the applicable waterfowl seasons.
- 22 On the posted waterfowl impoundments a special permit is required for all waterfowl  
23 hunting after November 1.
- 24 (D) Horseback riding is prohibited.
- 25 (E) Target shooting is prohibited.
- 26 (F) Wild turkey hunting is by permit only, except on those areas posted as an archery zone.
- 27 (G) The use of dogs for hunting deer is prohibited on that portion west of NC 50 and south of  
28 Falls Lake.
- 29 (H) The use of bicycles is restricted to designated areas, except that this restriction does not  
30 apply to hunters engaged in the act of hunting during the open days of the applicable  
31 seasons for game birds and game animals. On designated bicycle riding areas, the use of  
32 bicycles is allowed from May 15 through August 31, and on Sundays only from September  
33 1 through May 14.
- 34 (I) Camping and the presence of campers and tents in designated Hunter Camping Areas are  
35 limited to September 1 through the last day of February and March 31 through May 14.

- 1 (J) Camping is allowed at any time in the designated Mountains-to-Sea Trail Camping Area  
2 and shall not exceed a maximum stay of two consecutive nights. Campfires are prohibited  
3 in this camping area.
- 4 (14) Buxton Woods Game Land in Dare County:  
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) Target shooting is prohibited.
- 9 (15) Cape Fear River Wetlands Game Land in Pender County  
10 (A) Six Days per Week Area  
11 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken all the open days of the applicable Deer With Visible  
12 Antlers Season.  
13 (C) Turkey Hunting is by permit only on that portion known as the Roan Island Tract.  
14 (D) The use of dogs for hunting deer is prohibited on the portion of the game land that is west  
15 of the Black River, north of Roan Island, east of Lyon Swamp Canal to Canetuck Road,  
16 and south of NC 210 to the Black River.  
17 (E) Target shooting is prohibited.
- 18 (16) Carteret County Game Land in Carteret County  
19 (A) Six Days per Week Area  
20 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken the first ~~six~~ open day of days and the ~~last six open days of~~  
21 ~~the~~ applicable Deer With Visible Antlers Season through the second Friday thereafter.  
22 (C) The use of dogs for hunting deer is prohibited.
- 23 (17) R. Wayne Bailey-Caswell Game Land in Caswell County  
24 (A) Three Days per Week Area  
25 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken the ~~last first six~~ open day days of the applicable Deer With  
26 Visible Antlers ~~Season~~. Season through the second Wednesday thereafter.  
27 (C) Horseback riding is allowed only during June, July, and August, and on Sundays during  
28 the remainder of the year except during open turkey and deer seasons. Horseback riding is  
29 allowed only on roads opened to vehicular traffic and on those gated roads and trails that  
30 are posted for equestrian use. People age 16 or older horseback riding on this game land  
31 shall possess a Game Lands license.  
32 (D) The area encompassed by the following roads is permit-only for all quail and woodcock  
33 hunting, and all bird dog training: From Yanceyville south on NC 62 to the intersection of  
34 SR 1746, west on SR 1746 to the intersection of SR 1156, south on SR 1156 to the  
35 intersection of SR 1783, east on SR 1783 to the intersection of NC 62, north on NC 62 to  
36 the intersection of SR 1736, east on SR 1736 to the intersection of SR 1730, east on SR  
37 1730 to NC 86, north on NC 86 to NC 62.

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

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

1 (B) Horseback riding is prohibited except on those areas posted for equestrian use. People age  
2 16 or older horseback riding on this game land must possess a Game Lands license.

3 (C) Target shooting is prohibited.

4 ~~(25)~~(26) Dare Game Land in Dare County

5 (A) Six Days per Week Area

6 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken the ~~last six~~ first open day ~~days~~ of the applicable Deer With  
7 Visible Antlers ~~Season.~~ Season through the first Friday thereafter.

8 (C) No hunting is allowed on posted parts of bombing range.

9 (D) The use and training of dogs is prohibited from March 1 through June 30.

10 ~~(26)~~(27) Dover Bay Game Land in Craven County

11 (A) Six Days per Week Area

12 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken all the days of the applicable Deer With Visible Antlers  
13 season.

14 ~~(27)~~(28) DuPont State Forest Game Lands in Henderson and Transylvania counties

15 (A) Hunting is by permit only.

16 (B) The training and use of dogs for hunting is prohibited except by special hunt permit holders  
17 during scheduled permit hunts.

18 ~~(28)~~(29) Elk Knob Game Land in Watauga County

19 (A) Six Days per Week Area

20 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken the ~~last six~~ first open day ~~day~~ of the applicable Deer With  
21 Visible Antlers Season through the first Friday thereafter.

22 ~~(29)~~(30) Embro Game Land in Halifax and Warren counties

23 (A) Six Days per Week Area

24 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken the first ~~six~~ open day ~~and the last six open days~~ of the  
25 applicable Deer With Visible Antlers Season through the second Friday thereafter.

26 (C) Horseback riding is prohibited.

27 ~~(30)~~(31) Goose Creek Game Land in Beaufort and Pamlico counties

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) Except as provided in Part (D) of this Subparagraph, waterfowl in posted waterfowl  
32 impoundments shall be taken only on the following days:

33 (i) the opening and closing days of the applicable waterfowl seasons;

34 (ii) Thanksgiving, Christmas, New Year's, and Martin Luther King, Jr. Days; and

35 (iii) Tuesdays and Saturdays of the applicable waterfowl seasons.

36 (D) Beginning on the first open waterfowl season day in October and through the end of the  
37 waterfowl season, waterfowl hunting is by permit only on the following waterfowl



1 impoundments: Pamlico Point, Campbell Creek, Hunting Creek, Spring Creek, Smith  
2 Creek, and Hobucken.

3 (E) On Pamlico Point and Campbell Creek Waterfowl Impoundments all activities, except  
4 waterfowl hunting on designated waterfowl hunting days and trapping during the trapping  
5 season, are restricted to the posted Scouting-only Zone during the period November 1  
6 through March 15.

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

9 (G) Hunting and vehicular access on the Parker Farm Tract is restricted from September 1  
10 through January 1 and April 1 through May 15 to individuals that possess a valid hunting  
11 opportunity permit.

12 ~~(31)~~(32) Green River Game Land in Henderson, and Polk counties

13 (A) Six Days per Week Area

14 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken the ~~last~~ first open day of the applicable Deer With Visible  
15 Antlers Season.

16 (C) Horseback riding is prohibited.

17 ~~(32)~~(33) Green Swamp Game Land in Brunswick County

18 (A) Six 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) On that portion north of Big Macedonia Road, east of Makatoka Road, south of Little  
22 Macedonia Road, and west of Green Swamp Road, hunting for bear, deer, and turkey is by  
23 permit only.

24 (D) Pursuing or chasing deer or bear with dogs for the purposes of training or hunting is  
25 prohibited on that portion of the game land that is north of Big Macedonia Road, east of  
26 Makatoka Road, south of Little Macedonia Road, and west of Green Swamp Road.

27 ~~(33)~~(34) Gull Rock Game Land in Hyde 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 on posted waterfowl impoundments shall be taken only on the following days:

32 (i) the opening and closing days of the applicable waterfowl seasons; and

33 (ii) Thanksgiving, Christmas, New Year's, and Martin Luther King, Jr. Days; and

34 (iii) Tuesdays and Saturdays of the applicable waterfowl season.

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) Bear may only be taken the first three hunting days during the November Bear Season and  
2 the first three hunting days during the second week of the December Bear Season, except  
3 for that portion designated as bear sanctuary.
- 4 ~~(34)~~(35) Harris Game Land in Chatham, Harnett, and Wake counties
- 5 (A) Six Days per Week Area
- 6 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken the first ~~six open day days and the last six open days~~ of the  
7 applicable Deer With Visible Antlers Season through the second Friday thereafter.
- 8 (C) Waterfowl shall be taken only on the following days:
- 9 (i) Tuesdays, Fridays, and Saturdays of the applicable waterfowl seasons;
- 10 (ii) Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's Days; and
- 11 (iii) the opening and closing days of the applicable waterfowl seasons.
- 12 (D) The use or construction of permanent hunting blinds shall be prohibited.
- 13 (E) Wild turkey hunting is by permit only, except on those areas posted as an archery zone.
- 14 (F) Target shooting is prohibited.
- 15 (G) Horseback riding is prohibited.
- 16 (36) Headwaters State Forest Game Land in Transylvania 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
- 20 ~~(35)~~(37) Hill Farm Game Land in Stokes County- hunting and trapping is by permit only.
- 21 ~~(36)~~(38) Holly Shelter Game Land in Pender County
- 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 (C) Waterfowl may be taken only on the following days:
- 26 (i) the opening and closing days of the applicable waterfowl seasons;
- 27 (ii) Thanksgiving, Christmas, New Year's, and Martin Luther King, Jr. Days; and
- 28 (iii) Tuesdays and Saturdays of the applicable waterfowl seasons.
- 29 (D) Camping is restricted to September 1 through the last day of February and March 31  
30 through May 14 in areas designated and posted as camping areas.
- 31 (E) On that portion north of the Bear Garden Road, west of Shaw Road to Baby Branch, east  
32 of the Northeast Cape Fear River, south of NC 53 and west of NC 50, deer hunting and  
33 bear hunting are permit only.
- 34 (F) The use of dogs for hunting deer and bear is prohibited:
- 35 (i) all open days on that portion of the game land that is south of Baby Branch  
36 extending west to Stag Park Road, west of Shaw Road, north of Meeks Road  
37 extending west to Stag Park Road and east of Stag Park Road; and

- 1 (ii) on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays, with the exception of Thanksgiving,  
2 Christmas, and New Year's days, and except for the area north of Bear Garden  
3 Road, west of Shaw Road to Baby Branch, east of the Northeast Cape Fear River,  
4 south of NC 53 and west of NC 50, where the use of dogs for deer and bear hunting  
5 is by permit only.
- 6 (G) Hunting and vehicular access on the Pender 4 Tract is restricted from September 1 to the  
7 last day of February and April 1 to May 15 to individuals that possess valid hunting  
8 opportunity permits, unless otherwise authorized by the Wildlife Resources Commission.
- 9 (H) Hunters who possess a Disabled Access Permit may operate an All Terrain Vehicle on and  
10 within 100 yards of trails designated for Disabled Sportsman Access.
- 11 (I) Target shooting is prohibited, except on the Holly Shelter Shooting Range.
- 12 (J) Geocaching is restricted to closed days for taking bear, deer, turkey, and waterfowl.
- 13 ~~(37)~~(39) Hyco Game land in Person County
- 14 (A) Six Days per Week Area
- 15 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken the first ~~six open day days and the last six open days~~ of the  
16 applicable Deer With Visible Antlers Season through the second Friday thereafter.
- 17 (C) Target shooting is prohibited.
- 18 ~~(38)~~(40) J. Morgan Futch Game Land in Tyrrell County - Permit Only Area.
- 19 ~~(39)~~(41) Johns River Game Land in Burke County
- 20 (A) Hunting is by permit only.
- 21 (B) During permitted deer hunts, deer of either sex may be taken by permit holders.
- 22 (C) Entry on posted waterfowl impoundments is prohibited October 1 through March 31,  
23 except by lawful waterfowl hunting permit holders and only on those days written on the  
24 permits.
- 25 (D) The use or construction of permanent hunting blinds is prohibited.
- 26 ~~(40)~~(42) Jordan Game Land in Chatham, Durham, Orange, and Wake counties
- 27 (A) Six Days per Week Area
- 28 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken all the open days of the applicable Deer With Visible  
29 Antlers Season.
- 30 (C) Waterfowl may be taken only on:
- 31 (i) Mondays, Wednesdays, and Saturdays of the applicable waterfowl seasons;
- 32 (ii) Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's Days; and
- 33 (iii) the opening and closing days of the applicable waterfowl seasons.
- 34 (D) Horseback riding is prohibited except on those areas posted as American Tobacco Trail  
35 and other areas posted for equestrian use. Unless otherwise posted, horseback riding is  
36 permitted on posted portions of the American Tobacco Trail anytime the trail is open for  
37 use. On all other trails posted for equestrian use, horseback riding is allowed only during

1 June, July, and August, and on Sundays the remainder of the year except during open turkey  
2 and deer seasons. People age 16 or older who ride horseback on trails occurring entirely  
3 within the game land boundaries shall possess a Game Lands license.

4 (E) Target shooting is prohibited.

5 (F) Wild turkey hunting is by permit only, except on those areas posted as an Archery Zone.

6 (G) The use of bicycles is restricted to designated areas, except that this restriction does not  
7 apply to hunters engaged in the act of hunting during the open days of the applicable  
8 seasons for game birds and game animals.

9 ~~(41)~~(43) Juniper Creek Game Land in Brunswick and Columbus counties

10 (A) Six Days per Week Area

11 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken all the open days of the Deer With Visible Antlers Season.

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

14 ~~(42)~~(44) Kerr Scott Game Land in Wilkes County

15 (A) Six Days per Week Area

16 (B) Use of centerfire rifles is prohibited.

17 (C) Use of blackpowder firearms, shotguns, or rifles for hunting deer during the applicable  
18 Deer With Visible Antlers Season is prohibited.

19 (D) Tree stands shall not be left overnight; and no screws, nails, or other objects penetrating  
20 the bark shall be used to attach a tree stand or blind to a tree.

21 (E) Deer of either sex may be taken on all open days of the applicable Deer With Visible  
22 Antlers season.

23 (F) Hunting on posted waterfowl impoundments is by permit only.

24 (G) The use of firearms for hunting wild turkey is prohibited.

25 ~~(43)~~(45) Lantern Acres Game Land in Tyrrell and Washington counties

26 (A) Six Days per Week Area

27 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken all the open days of the applicable Deer With Visible  
28 Antlers Season.

29 (C) Wild turkey hunting is by permit only.

30 (D) The use of dogs for hunting deer on the Godley Tract is prohibited.

31 (E) Waterfowl hunting on posted waterfowl impoundments is by permit only.

32 ~~(44)~~(46) Lee Game Land in Lee County

33 (A) Six Days per Week Area

34 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken the first ~~six open day days and the last six open days~~ of the  
35 applicable Deer With Visible Antlers Season through the second Friday thereafter.

36 (C) Target shooting is prohibited.

37 ~~(45)~~(47) Light Ground Pocosin Game Land in Pamlico County

- 1 (A) Six Days per Week Area
- 2 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken all the open days of the applicable Deer with Visible
- 3 Antlers Season.
- 4 ~~(46)~~(48) Linwood Game Land in Davidson County
- 5 (A) Six Days per Week Area
- 6 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken on all of the open days of the applicable Deer With Visible
- 7 Antlers Season.
- 8 ~~(47)~~(49) Lower Fishing Creek Game Land in Edgecombe and Halifax counties
- 9 (A) Six Days per Week Area
- 10 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken the first ~~six open day days and the last six open days~~ of the
- 11 applicable Deer With Visible Antlers Season through the second Friday thereafter.
- 12 (C) Horseback riding is prohibited.
- 13 (D) The use of dogs for hunting deer is prohibited.
- 14 ~~(48)~~(50) Mayo Game Land in Person County
- 15 (A) Six Days per Week Area
- 16 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken the first ~~six open day days and the last six open days~~ of the
- 17 applicable Deer With Visible Antlers Season through the second Friday thereafter.
- 18 (C) Waterfowl shall be taken only on:
- 19 (i) Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays applicable waterfowl seasons;
- 20 (ii) Christmas and New Year's Days; and
- 21 (iii) the opening and closing days of the applicable waterfowl seasons.
- 22 (D) Target shooting is prohibited.
- 23 ~~(49)~~(51) Mitchell River Game Land in Surry County
- 24 (A) Three Days per Week Area
- 25 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken the ~~last first six open day days~~ of the applicable Deer ~~with~~
- 26 With Visible Antlers Season through the second Wednesday thereafter.
- 27 (C) Horseback riding is prohibited except on designated trails May 16 through August 31, and
- 28 all horseback riding is prohibited from September 1 through May 15.
- 29 ~~(50)~~(52) Nantahala Game Land in Cherokee, Clay, Graham, Jackson, Macon, Swain, and Transylvania
- 30 counties
- 31 (A) Six Days per Week Area
- 32 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken the first ~~last~~ open day of the applicable Deer With Visible
- 33 Antlers Season in that portion located in Transylvania County.
- 34 ~~(51)~~(53) Needmore Game Land in Macon and Swain counties.
- 35 (A) Six Days per Week Area
- 36 (B) Horseback riding is prohibited except on designated trails May 16 through August 31, and
- 37 all horseback riding is prohibited from September 1 through May 15.

- 1 (C) On posted dove fields, dove hunting on the opening day of dove season is by permit only.
- 2 ~~(52)~~(54) Neuse River Game Land in Craven County
- 3 (A) Six Days per Week Area
- 4 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken all the open days of the applicable Deer With Visible
- 5 Antlers Season.
- 6 ~~(53)~~(55) New Lake Game Land in Hyde and Tyrrell counties
- 7 (A) Six 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 ~~(54)~~(56) Nicholson Creek Game Land in Hoke County
- 11 (A) Three Days per Week Area
- 12 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken with ~~bow and arrow~~ archery equipment on open hunting
- 13 days from the Saturday on or nearest September 10 ~~through to the third~~ fourth Friday before
- 14 ~~Thanksgiving.~~ Thanksgiving Day.
- 15 (C) Deer of either sex may be taken with blackpowder firearms on open hunting days beginning
- 16 the ~~fourth~~ third Saturday before Thanksgiving Day through the first Wednesday ~~of the~~
- 17 ~~second week~~ thereafter.
- 18 (D) The Deer With Visible Antlers season consists of the open hunting days from the second
- 19 Saturday before Thanksgiving through the third Saturday after ~~Thanksgiving.~~
- 20 Thanksgiving Day.
- 21 (E) Deer of either sex may be taken the ~~last~~ first open day of the applicable Deer With Visible
- 22 Antlers Season.
- 23 (F) The use of dogs for hunting deer is prohibited.
- 24 (G) Wild turkey hunting is by permit only.
- 25 (H) On Lake Upchurch, the following activities are prohibited:
- 26 (i) Operating any vessel or vehicle powered by an internal combustion engine; and
- 27 (ii) Swimming.
- 28 (I) Target shooting is prohibited.
- 29 ~~(55)~~(57) North River Game Land in Camden and Currituck 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) The boundary of the Game Land shall extend five yards from the edge of the marsh or
- 34 shoreline.
- 35 (D) Hunting on the posted waterfowl impoundment is by permit only.
- 36 ~~(56)~~(58) Northwest River Marsh Game Land in Currituck County
- 37 (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) The boundary of the Game Land shall extend five yards from the edge of the marsh or  
4 shoreline.

5 ~~(57)~~(59) Pee Dee River Game Land in Anson, Montgomery, Richmond, and Stanly counties

6 (A) Six Days per Week Area

7 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken the first ~~six open day days~~ and the last ~~six open days~~ of the  
8 applicable Deer With Visible Antlers Season through the second Friday thereafter.

9 (C) Use of centerfire rifles is prohibited in that portion in Anson and Richmond counties North  
10 of US-74.

11 (D) Target shooting is prohibited.

12 (E) Horseback riding is allowed only on roads opened to vehicular traffic and only during the  
13 following times:

14 (i) during June, July, and August; and

15 (ii) on Sundays during the other months or parts of months when deer and turkey  
16 seasons are closed.

17 ~~(58)~~(60) Perkins Game Land in Davie County

18 (A) Three Days per Week Area

19 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken the ~~last~~ first open day of the applicable Deer With Visible  
20 Antlers Season.

21 (C) Horseback riding is prohibited from November 1 through January 1.

22 ~~(59)~~(61) Pisgah Game Land in Avery, Buncombe, Burke, Caldwell, Haywood, Henderson, Madison,  
23 McDowell, Mitchell, Transylvania, Watauga, and Yancey counties

24 (A) Six Days per Week Area

25 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken the ~~last~~ first open day of the applicable Deer With Visible  
26 Antlers Season.

27 (C) Horseback riding is prohibited on the Black Bear (McDowell County), Linville River  
28 (Burke County), and Little Tablerock Tracts (Avery, McDowell, and Mitchell counties).

29 ~~(60)~~(62) Pond Mountain Game Land in Ashe County

30 (A) Six Days per Week Area

31 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken the ~~last six~~ first open day days of the applicable Deer ~~with~~  
32 With Visible Antlers Season through the first Friday thereafter.

33 (C) Horseback riding is prohibited except on designated trails from May 16 through August 31  
34 and Sundays from September 1 through October 31. All horseback riding is prohibited  
35 from November 1 through May 15.

36 ~~(61)~~(63) Pungo River Game Land in Hyde County

37 (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 ~~(62)~~(64) Rendezvous Mountain State Forest Game Land in Wilkes County
- 4 (A) Three Days per Week Area
- 5 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken the ~~last six~~ first open day ~~days~~ of the applicable Deer With  
6 Visible Antlers Season through the second Wednesday thereafter.
- 7 (C) Bear hunting is prohibited.
- 8 ~~(63)~~(65) Rhodes Pond Game Land in Cumberland and Harnett counties
- 9 (A) Hunting is by permit only.
- 10 (B) Swimming is prohibited on the area.
- 11 ~~(64)~~(66) Roanoke River Wetlands in Bertie, Halifax, Martin, and Northampton counties
- 12 (A) Hunting is by Permit only.
- 13 (B) Vehicles are prohibited on roads or trails except those operated on Commission business  
14 or by permit holders.
- 15 (C) Camping is restricted to September 1 through the last day of February and March 31  
16 through May 14 in areas both designated and posted as camping areas, provided, however,  
17 that camping is allowed at any time within 100 yards of the Roanoke River on the state-  
18 owned portion of the game land.
- 19 ~~(65)~~(67) Roanoke Island Marshes Game Land in Dare County-Hunting is by permit only.
- 20 ~~(66)~~(68) Robeson Game Land in Robeson County
- 21 (A) Three Days per Week Area
- 22 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken all the open days of the applicable Deer With Visible  
23 Antlers Season.
- 24 ~~(67)~~(69) Rockfish Creek Game Land in Hoke County
- 25 (A) Three Days per Week Area
- 26 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken with ~~bow and arrow~~ archery equipment on open hunting  
27 days from the Saturday on or nearest September 10 through to the fourth ~~fourth~~ third Friday before  
28 ~~Thanksgiving.~~ Thanksgiving Day.
- 29 (C) Deer of either sex may be taken with blackpowder firearms on open hunting days beginning  
30 the ~~fourth~~ third Saturday before Thanksgiving Day through the first Wednesday ~~of the~~  
31 ~~second week~~ thereafter.
- 32 (D) The Deer With Visible Antlers season consists of the open hunting days from the second  
33 Saturday before Thanksgiving Day through the third Saturday after ~~Thanksgiving.~~  
34 Thanksgiving Day.
- 35 (E) Deer of either sex may be taken the first ~~last~~ open day of the applicable Deer With Visible  
36 Antlers Season.
- 37 (F) The use of dogs for hunting deer is prohibited.



- 1 (G) Wild turkey hunting is by permit only.
- 2 (H) Taking fox squirrels is prohibited.
- 3 (I) Target shooting is prohibited.
- 4 ~~(68)~~(70) Rocky Run Game Land in Onslow County - Hunting is by permit only.
- 5 ~~(69)~~(71) Sampson Game Land in Sampson County
- 6 (A) Three Days per Week Area
- 7 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken all the open days of the applicable Deer With Visible
- 8 Antlers Season.
- 9 (C) Target shooting is prohibited.
- 10 ~~(70)~~(72) Sandhills Game Land in Hoke, Moore, Richmond, and Scotland counties
- 11 (A) Three Days per Week Area
- 12 (B) Hunting is prohibited on the J. Robert Gordon Field Trial Grounds from October 22
- 13 through March 31 except as follows:
- 14 (i) deer may be taken with archery equipment on all the open days of the ~~bow and~~
- 15 ~~arrow archery~~ archery season through the ~~fourth~~ third Friday before ~~Thanksgiving;~~
- 16 Thanksgiving Day; with blackpowder firearms and archery equipment all the
- 17 open days of the blackpowder firearms season through the third ~~Saturday~~
- 18 Wednesday before ~~Thanksgiving;~~ Thanksgiving Day; and with all legal weapons
- 19 from the second ~~Monday~~ Saturday before Thanksgiving Day through the Saturday
- 20 following ~~Thanksgiving;~~ Thanksgiving Day;
- 21 (ii) dove may be taken all open days from the opening day of the dove season through
- 22 the third Saturday thereafter;
- 23 (iii) squirrel (gray and fox) may be taken all the open days from second Monday before
- 24 ~~Thanksgiving;~~ Thanksgiving Day through the Saturday following ~~Thanksgiving;~~
- 25 Thanksgiving Day;
- 26 (iv) rabbit may be taken all open days from the second Saturday preceding
- 27 Thanksgiving Day through the Saturday following ~~Thanksgiving;~~ Thanksgiving
- 28 Day;
- 29 (v) waterfowl may be taken on open days during any waterfowl season;
- 30 (vi) wild animals and wild birds may be taken as part of a Disabled Sportsmen
- 31 Program Permit Hunt; and
- 32 (vii) raccoon and opossum may be taken on open days from sunrise Monday on or
- 33 nearest October 15 through the last day of February.
- 34 (C) The Deer With Visible Antlers season is the open hunting days from the second Saturday
- 35 before Thanksgiving Day through the third Saturday after ~~Thanksgiving;~~ Thanksgiving
- 36 Day except on the J. Robert Gordon Field Trial Grounds.

- 1 (D) The ~~bow and arrow~~ archery season is all open days from the Saturday on or nearest to Sept.  
2 10 to the ~~fourth~~ third Friday before Thanksgiving Day and, except on the J. Robert Gordon  
3 Field Trial Grounds, the third Monday after Thanksgiving Day through the first Saturday  
4 in January 4. Deer may be taken with archery equipment on all open hunting days during  
5 the ~~bow and arrow~~ archery season, the Deer with Visible antlers season, and the  
6 blackpowder firearms season as stated in this Subparagraph.
- 7 (E) Blackpowder firearms season is all the open days from the ~~fourth~~ third Saturday preceding  
8 Thanksgiving Day through the first Wednesday ~~of the second week~~ thereafter and, except  
9 on the J. Robert Gordon Field Trial Grounds, the third Monday after Thanksgiving Day  
10 through the first Saturday in January 4. Deer may be taken with blackpowder firearms on  
11 all open hunting days during the blackpowder firearms season and the Deer With Visible  
12 Antlers season.
- 13 (F) Either-sex deer hunting during the Deer With Visible Antlers Season is by permit only.
- 14 (G) In addition to the regular hunting days, waterfowl may be taken on the opening and closing  
15 days of the applicable waterfowl seasons.
- 16 (H) Wild turkey hunting is by permit only.
- 17 ~~(I)~~ ~~The following areas are permit only for all quail and woodcock hunting, and dog training~~  
18 ~~on birds:~~
- 19 (i) ~~In Richmond County: that part east of US 1;~~
- 20 (ii) ~~In Scotland County: that part west of SR 1328 and north of Gardner Farm Lane~~  
21 ~~and that part east of SR 1328 and north of Scotland Lake Lane.~~
- 22 ~~(I)~~ Horseback riding on field trial grounds from October 22 through March 31 is prohibited  
23 unless participating in authorized field trials.
- 24 ~~(K)~~ Camping and the presence of campers and tents in designated Hunter Camping Areas are  
25 limited to September 1 through the last day of February and March 31 through May 14.
- 26 ~~(L)~~ Target shooting is prohibited, except at the John F. Lentz Hunter Education Complex.
- 27 ~~(71)~~ (73) Sandy Creek Game Land in Nash and Franklin Counties
- 28 (A) Six Days per Week Area
- 29 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken the first ~~six open day~~ days ~~and the last six open days~~ of the  
30 applicable Deer With Visible Antlers ~~Season. Season through the second Friday thereafter.~~
- 31 (C) Horseback riding is prohibited.
- 32 (D) The use of dogs for hunting deer is prohibited.
- 33 ~~(72)~~ (74) Sandy Mush Game Land in Buncombe and Madison counties.
- 34 (A) Three Days per Week Area
- 35 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken the ~~last~~ first open day of the applicable Deer with Visible  
36 Antlers season.

- 1 (C) Horseback riding is prohibited except on designated trails May 16 through August 31 and  
 2 all horseback riding is prohibited from September 1 through May 15.
- 3 (D) Dogs shall only be trained on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Saturdays and only as allowed  
 4 in 15A NCAC 10D .0102(f).
- 5 (E) Dove hunting is by permit only from the opening day through the second Saturday of dove  
 6 season.
- 7 ~~(73)~~(75) Second Creek Game Land in Rowan County- hunting is by permit only.
- 8 ~~(74)~~(76) Shocco Creek Game Land in Franklin, Halifax, Nash, and Warren counties
- 9 (A) Six Days per Week Area
- 10 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken the first ~~six open day days and the last six open days~~ of the  
 11 applicable Deer With Visible Antlers Season through the second Friday thereafter.
- 12 (C) Horseback riding is prohibited.
- 13 (D) 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 ~~(75)~~(77) South Mountains Game Land in Burke, Cleveland, McDowell, and Rutherford counties
- 16 (A) Six Days per Week Area
- 17 (B) The Deer With Visible Antlers season consists of the open hunting days from the ~~Monday~~  
 18 ~~before Saturday after Thanksgiving Day~~ through the ~~third Saturday after Thanksgiving~~ first  
 19 Saturday in January. Deer may be taken with ~~bow and arrow~~ archery equipment on open  
 20 days beginning the Saturday on or nearest September 10 ~~through to the third Saturday~~  
 21 ~~thereafter, and Monday on or nearest October 15 to the Saturday Friday~~ before  
 22 Thanksgiving Day and during the Deer With Visible Antlers season. Deer may be taken  
 23 with blackpowder firearms on open days beginning the ~~Monday on or nearest October 1~~  
 24 Saturday before Thanksgiving Day ~~through the Saturday of the second week~~ through the  
 25 Friday after Thanksgiving Day ~~thereafter,~~ and during the Deer With Visible Antlers season.
- 26 (C) Deer of either sex may be taken the first ~~last~~ open day of the applicable Deer With Visible  
 27 Antlers Season.
- 28 (D) Horseback riding is prohibited except on designated trails May 16 through August 31 and  
 29 all horseback riding is prohibited from September 1 through May 15.
- 30 (E) ~~That part of South Mountains Game Land in Cleveland, McDowell, and Rutherford~~  
 31 ~~counties is closed to all grouse hunting, quail hunting, woodcock hunting, and all bird dog~~  
 32 ~~training.~~
- 33 ~~(76)~~(78) Stones Creek Game Land in Onslow County
- 34 (A) Six-Day per Week Area
- 35 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken all the open days of the applicable Deer With Visible  
 36 Antlers Season.
- 37 (C) The use of dogs for hunting deer is prohibited on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays.

- 1 (D) Swimming in all lakes is prohibited.
- 2 (E) Waterfowl on posted waterfowl impoundments may 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 (F) Target shooting is prohibited.
- 7 (G) Geocaching is restricted to closed days for taking bear, deer, turkey, and waterfowl.
- 8 ~~(77)~~(79) Suggs Mill Pond Game Land in Bladen and Cumberland counties
- 9 (A) Hunting and trapping is by permit only.
- 10 (B) Camping is restricted to September 1 through the last day of February and March 31
- 11 through May 14 in areas both designated and posted as camping areas.
- 12 (C) Entry is prohibited on scheduled hunt or trapping days except for:
- 13 (i) hunters or trappers holding special hunt or trapping permits; and
- 14 (ii) persons using Campground Road to access Suggs Mill Pond Lake at the dam.
- 15 (D) During the period of November 1 through January 31, except on Sundays, the use of vessels
- 16 on Suggs Mill Pond Lake and Little Singletary Lake is limited to waterfowl hunting only
- 17 by waterfowl hunters possessing a valid and current Hunting Opportunity Permit issued by
- 18 the Wildlife Resources Commission pursuant to G.S. 113-264(d).
- 19 (E) During the period of November 1 through March 15, the use of vessels on managed
- 20 waterfowl impoundments is limited to waterfowl hunting only by waterfowl hunters
- 21 possessing a valid and current Hunting Opportunity Permit issued by the Wildlife
- 22 Resources Commission pursuant to G.S. 113-264(d).
- 23 ~~(78)~~(80) Sutton Lake Game Land in New Hanover and Brunswick counties
- 24 (A) Six Days per Week Area
- 25 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken the ~~last six~~ first open ~~day~~ days of the applicable Deer With
- 26 Visible Antlers Season through the first Friday thereafter.
- 27 (C) Target shooting is prohibited.
- 28 ~~(79)~~(81) Tar River Game Land in Edgecombe County – hunting is by permit only.
- 29 ~~(80)~~(82) Texas Plantation Game Land in Tyrrell County - hunting is by permit only.
- 30 ~~(81)~~(83) Three Top Mountain Game Land in Ashe County
- 31 (A) Six Days per Week Area
- 32 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken the ~~last~~ first ~~six~~ open ~~day~~ days of the applicable Deer With
- 33 Visible Antlers Season through the first Friday thereafter.
- 34 (C) Horseback riding is prohibited.
- 35 ~~(82)~~(84) Thurmond Chatham Game Land in Alleghany and Wilkes counties
- 36 (A) Six Days per Week Area

- 1 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken the first ~~six open day days and the last six open days~~ of the  
2 applicable Deer With Visible Antlers Season through the second Friday 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. People age 16 or  
5 older horseback riding on this game land shall possess a Game Lands license.
- 6 (D) The maximum period of consecutive overnight camping at any designated campground is  
7 14 days within any 30 day period from May 1 through August 31. After 14 consecutive  
8 days of camping all personal belongings must be removed from the game land.

9 ~~(83)~~(85) Tillery game Land in Halifax County

- 10 (A) Six Days per Week Area
- 11 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken the first ~~six open day days and the last six open days~~ of the  
12 applicable Deer With Visible Antlers Season through the second Friday thereafter.
- 13 (C) Horseback riding is prohibited.
- 14 (D) The use of dogs for hunting deer is prohibited.
- 15 (E) Wild turkey hunting is by permit only.

16 ~~(84)~~(86) Toxaway Game Land in Jackson and Transylvania counties

- 17 (A) Six Days per Week Area
- 18 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken the ~~last~~ first open day of the applicable Deer With Visible  
19 Antlers Season.
- 20 (C) Horseback riding is prohibited except on designated trails May 16 through August 31 and  
21 all horseback riding is prohibited from September 1 through May 15.

22 ~~(85)~~(87) Uwharrie Game Land in Davidson, Montgomery, and Randolph counties

- 23 (A) Six Days per Week Area
- 24 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken the first ~~six open day days and the last open six days~~ of the  
25 applicable Deer With Visible Antlers Season through the second Friday thereafter.
- 26 (C) On the posted waterfowl impoundment, waterfowl may be taken only on the following  
27 days:
- 28 (i) the opening and closing days of the applicable waterfowl seasons;
- 29 (ii) Thanksgiving, Christmas, New Year's, and Martin Luther King, Jr. Days; and
- 30 (iii) Mondays, Wednesdays and Saturdays of the applicable waterfowl seasons.
- 31 (D) Target shooting is prohibited, except at the Flintlock Valley Shooting Range.

32 ~~(86)~~(88) Vance Game Land in Vance County

- 33 (A) Six Days per Week Area
- 34 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken all the open days of the applicable Deer With Visible  
35 Antlers Season.
- 36 (C) The use of dogs, centerfire rifles, and handguns for hunting deer is prohibited on the  
37 Nutbush Peninsula tract.

1 ~~(87)~~(89) Van Swamp Game Land in Beaufort and Washington counties

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) Bear may only be taken the first three hunting days during the November Bear Season and  
6 the first three hunting days during the second week of the December Bear Season.

7 ~~(88)~~(90) Voice of America Game Land in Beaufort County- hunting and trapping is by permit only.

8 ~~(89)~~(91) White Oak River Game Land in Onslow County

9 (A) Three Days per Week Area

10 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken all the open days of the applicable Deer With Visible  
11 Antlers Season.

12 (C) Except as provided in Part (D) of this Subparagraph, waterfowl in posted waterfowl  
13 impoundments shall be taken only on the following days:

14 (i) the opening and closing days of the applicable waterfowl seasons;

15 (ii) Thanksgiving, Christmas, New Year's, and Martin Luther King, Jr. Days; and

16 (iii) Tuesdays and Saturdays of the applicable waterfowl seasons.

17 (D) Beginning on the first open waterfowl season day in October and through the end of the  
18 waterfowl season, a permit is required for hunting posted waterfowl impoundments.

19 (E) The Huggins Tract and Morton Tracts have the following restrictions:

20 (i) access on Hargett Avenue and Sloan Farm Road requires a valid Hunting  
21 Opportunity Permit issued by the Wildlife Resources Commission pursuant to  
22 G.S. 113-264(d);

23 (ii) hunting is by permit only; and

24 (iii) the use of dogs for hunting deer is prohibited.

25 (F) Wild turkey hunting is by permit only.

26 ~~(90)~~(92) Whitehall Plantation Game Land in Bladen County

27 (A) Hunting and trapping is by permit only.

28 (B) 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.

30 ~~(91)~~(93) William H. Silver Game Land in Haywood County

31 (A) Six Days per Week Area

32 (B) Deer of either sex may be taken the ~~last~~ first open day of the applicable Deer With Visible  
33 Antlers Season.

34 (i) On permitted type hunts, deer of either sex may be taken on the hunt dates indicated on the permit. Completed  
35 applications shall be received by the Commission not later than the first day of September next preceding the dates of  
36 hunt. Permits shall be issued by random computer selection, shall be mailed to the permittees prior to the hunt, and

1 are nontransferable. A hunter making a kill shall validate the kill and report the kill to a wildlife cooperator agent or  
2 by phone.

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

- 5 (1) Bertie, Halifax and Martin counties—Roanoke River Wetlands;
- 6 (2) Bertie County—Roanoke River National Wildlife Refuge;
- 7 (3) Bladen County—Suggs Mill Pond Game Lands;
- 8 (4) Burke County—John's River Waterfowl Refuge;
- 9 (5) Dare County—Dare Game Lands (Those parts of bombing range posted against hunting);
- 10 (6) Dare County—Roanoke Sound Marshes Game Lands; and
- 11 (7) Henderson and Transylvania counties—DuPont State Forest Game Lands.

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

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

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

24 (n) Permit Hunt Opportunities for Disabled Sportsmen. The Commission may designate special hunts for participants  
25 of the disabled sportsman program by permit. The Commission may schedule these permit hunts during the closed  
26 season. Hunt dates and species to be taken shall be identified on each permit. If the hunt has a limited weapon choice,  
27 the allowed weapons shall be stated on each permit.

28 (o) As used in this Rule, horseback riding includes all equine species.

29 (p) When waterfowl hunting is specifically permitted in this Rule on Christmas and New Years' Day and those days  
30 fall on Sundays, the open waterfowl hunting day shall be the following day.

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32 *History Note: Authority G.S. 113-134; 113-264; 113-291.2; 113-291.5; 113-296; 113-305;*  
33 *Eff. February 1, 1976;*  
34 *Temporary Amendment Eff. October 3, 1991;*  
35 *Amended Eff. July 1, 1998; July 1, 1997; July 1, 1996; September 1, 1995; July 1, 1995;*  
36 *September 1, 1994; July 1, 1994;*  
37 *Temporary Amendment Eff. October 1, 1999; July 1, 1999;*

1                    *Amended Eff. July 1, 2000;*  
2                    *Temporary Amendment Eff. July 1, 2002; July 1, 2001;*  
3                    *Amended Eff. August 1, 2002 (approved by RRC on 06/21/01 and 04/18/02);*  
4                    *Temporary Amendment Eff. June 1, 2003;*  
5                    *Amended Eff. June 1, 2004 (this replaces the amendment approved by RRC on July 17,*  
6                    *2003);*  
7                    *Amended Eff. August 1, 2018; August 1, 2017; August 1, 2016; May 1, 2015; August 1, 2014;*  
8                    *January 1, 2013; August 1, 2012; August 1, 2011; August 1, 2010; May 1, 2009; May 1, 2008; May*  
9                    *1, 2007; October 1, 2006; August 1, 2006; May 1, 2006; February 1, 2006; June 1, 2005; October*  
10                   *1, 2004*



1 **15A NCAC 10D .0104 FISHING ON GAME LANDS**

2 (a) Generally. Except as otherwise indicated herein, fishing on game lands that are open to fishing shall be in  
3 accordance with the North Carolina rules. All game lands are open to public fishing except restocked ponds when  
4 posted against fishing, Hunting Creek Swamp Waterfowl Refuge, Grogan Creek in Transylvania County, and in the  
5 case of private ponds where fishing may be prohibited by the owners thereof. No trotline or set-hook or any net, trap,  
6 gig, ~~bow and arrow~~, archery equipment, or other special fishing device of a type mentioned in 15A NCAC 10C  
7 .0404(b),(c),(d), and (f) may be used in any impounded waters located entirely on game lands. ~~Bow and arrow~~ Archery  
8 equipment may be used to take nongame fishes in impounded waters located entirely on game lands with the exception  
9 of those waters mentioned in 15A NCAC 10C .0404(a). Blue crabs taken by hook and line (other than set-hooks) in  
10 designated waterfowl impoundments located on game lands shall have a minimum carapace width of five inches (point  
11 to point) and the daily possession limit is 50 per person and 100 per vessel.

12 (b) Designated Public Mountain Trout Waters

13 (1) ~~Fishing Hours. It is unlawful to fish in designated public mountain trout waters on any game land  
14 and in all waters on the Dupont State Forest Game Land from one half hour after sunset to one half  
15 hour before sunrise, except in Hatchery Supported Trout waters as stated in 15A NCAC 10C  
16 .0305(a), Delayed Harvest waters as stated in 15A NCAC 10C .0205(a)(5), game lands sections of  
17 the Nantahala River located downstream from the Swain County line, and in the sections of Green  
18 River in Polk County located on Green River Game Lands from Cove Creek downstream to the  
19 natural gas pipeline crossing.~~

20 (2)(1) Location. All waters located on the game lands listed in this Subparagraph are designated public  
21 mountain trout waters except as noted: ~~Cherokee Lake, Grogan Creek, Big Laurel Creek  
22 downstream from the US 25 70 bridge to the French Broad River, Pigeon River downstream of  
23 Waterville Reservoir to the Tennessee state line, Nolichucky River, Mill Ridge Pond, Cheoah River  
24 downstream of Santeetlah Reservoir, Little River from 100 yards downstream of Hooker Falls  
25 downstream to the Dupont State Forest boundary, Lake Imaging, Lake Dense, Lake Alfred, Lake  
26 Julia, Fawn Lake, North Fork Catawba River downstream of the mouth of Armstrong Creek, Green  
27 River downstream of the natural gas pipeline crossing, and Spring Creek below US Forest Service  
28 road 223.~~

29 ~~Dupont State Forest Game Lands in Henderson and Transylvania counties.~~

30 ~~Three Top Mountain Game Land in Ashe County.~~

31 ~~Nantahala National Forest Game Lands in Cherokee, Clay, Graham, Jackson, Macon, Swain, and  
32 Transylvania counties.~~

33 ~~Pisgah National Forest Game Lands in Avery, Buncombe, Burke, Caldwell, Haywood, Henderson,  
34 Madison, McDowell, Mitchell, Transylvania, and Yancey counties.~~

35 ~~Thurmond Chatham Game Land in Wilkes County.~~

36 ~~Toxaway Game Land in Transylvania County.~~

37 ~~South Mountains Game Land in Cleveland and Rutherford counties.~~

~~Cold Mountain Game Land in Haywood County.~~  
~~Green River Game Land in Henderson and Polk counties.~~  
~~Pond Mountain Game Land in Ashe County.~~  
~~Rendezvous Mountain State Forest Game Land in Wilkes County.~~

- (A) Cold Mountain Game Land in Haywood County;
- (B) DuPont State Forest Game Lands in Henderson and Transylvania counties, except Little River from 100 yards downstream of Hooker Falls downstream to the DuPont State Forest boundary, Lake Imaging, Lake Dense, Lake Alfred, Lake Julia, and Fawn Lake;
- (C) Green River Game Land in Henderson and Polk counties, except Green River downstream of the natural gas pipeline crossing;
- (D) Headwaters Game Land in Transylvania County;
- (E) Nantahala National Forest Game Lands in Cherokee, Clay, Graham, Jackson, Macon, Swain, and Transylvania counties, except Cheoah River downstream of Santeetlah Reservoir and Cherokee Lake;
- (F) Pisgah National Forest Game Lands in Avery, Buncombe, Burke, Caldwell, Haywood, Henderson, Madison, McDowell, Mitchell, Transylvania, Watauga, and Yancey counties, except Grogan Creek, North Fork Catawba River downstream of the mouth of Armstrong Creek, Big Laurel Creek downstream from the US 25-70 bridge to the French Broad River, Mill Ridge Pond, Nolichucky River, Pigeon River downstream of Waterville Reservoir to the Tennessee state line, and Spring Creek below US Forest Service road 223;
- (G) Pond Mountain Game Land in Ashe County;
- (H) Rendezvous Mountain State Forest Game Land in Wilkes County;
- (I) South Mountains Game Land in Cleveland and Rutherford counties;
- (J) Three Top Mountain Game Land in Ashe County;
- (K) Thurmond Chatham Game Land in Wilkes County;
- (L) Toxaway Game Land in Transylvania County; and
- (M) William H. Silvers Game Land in Haywood County.

(3)(2) All designated public mountain trout waters located on the game lands listed in Subparagraph (b)(1) of this Rule are Wild Trout Waters unless classified otherwise. [See 15A NCAC 10C .0205(d)]

(c) Ponds. In all game lands ponds, it is unlawful to take channel, white, or blue catfish (forked tail catfish) by means other than hook and line and the daily creel limit for forked tail catfish is six fish in aggregate.

*History Note: Authority G.S. 113-134; 113-264; 113-272; 113-292; 113-305;*  
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4                    *May 1, 2009; August 1, 2004.*