15A NCAC 10B .0120 is proposed for readoption with substantive changes as follows:

**15A NCAC 10B .0120  TAKING DEER AND BEAR OF WILDLIFE WITH HANDGUNS**

Handguns of any type may be used to take game, fur-bearing, and nongame animals as defined in G.S. 113-129 during the established open season for take with firearms or trapping for each species, deer and bear. Ammunition of any type may be used to take deer and bear, unless otherwise prohibited by state or federal law.

*History Note:  Authority G.S. 113-134; 113-291.1;  
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