Notice is hereby given in accordance with G.S. 150B-21.2 that the Wildlife Resources Commission intends to amend the rule cited as 15A NCAC 10H .1003.

Proposed Effective Date: November 1, 2020

Public Hearing:
Date: May 6, 2020
Time: 10:00 a.m.
Location: Please click this link to join the webinar: https://zoom.us/j/811125225, or join by telephone: 888 788 0099 (Toll Free) or 877 853 5247 (Toll Free) Webinar ID: 811 125 225

Reason for Proposed Action: 15A NCAC 10H .1003 – Records - This Rule is proposed for amendment to institute taxidermy reporting requirements pursuant to the establishment of the taxidermy cervid certification requirement and to update the title to read as Records and Reporting Requirements.

Comments may be submitted to: Rule-making Coordinator, 1701 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699; email regulations@ncwildlife.org

Comment period ends: June 1, 2020

CHAPTER 10 - WILDLIFE RESOURCES AND WATER SAFETY

SUBCHAPTER 10H - REGULATED ACTIVITIES

SECTION .1000 - TAXIDERMY

15A NCAC 10H .1003 RECORDS AND REPORTING REQUIREMENTS
(a) Licensed taxidermists shall keep records of each wildlife specimen delivered and contained within his or her place of business. Records shall include:

(1) the species and sex of the specimen;
(2) the date the specimen was delivered;
(3) the name and address of the person delivering the specimen;
(4) the name and address of the person responsible for take of the specimen, if different;
(5) the date and location of the take;
(6) the big game harvest authorization number, if applicable; and
(7) the date and disposition of the mounted specimen.

Records shall be maintained chronologically by the date the specimen was delivered. Records shall be retained by the taxidermist for one year following expiration of the taxidermy license and shall be made available for inspection by any agent of the Wildlife Resources Commission.

(b) The records required by the United States Fish and Wildlife Service under its taxidermy permit regulations for migratory game birds, as set forth in 50 CFR 21.24, which is hereby incorporated by reference including subsequent amendments and editions, shall satisfy this Rule, and can be accessed at no cost at www.ecfr.gov.
(c) Licensed taxidermists required by G.S. 113-273(k) to obtain the taxidermy cervid certification shall report the following information of each wildlife specimen of the family Cervidae delivered and contained within his or her place of business to the Wildlife Resources Commission on a form available at www.ncwildlife.org:

1. the county or parish, state, Canadian province, or foreign country where the take occurred;
2. the big game harvest authorization number or equivalent out-of-state number; and
3. the species of each cervid.

(d) The information required to be reported in Paragraph (c) of this Rule shall be received by the Commission prior to the renewal of a taxidermy cervid certification.

History Note: Authority G.S. 113-134; 113-273;
Eff. March 1, 1981;
Amended Eff. September 1, 1989;
Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. December 6, 2016;
Amended Eff. February 1, 2018.