

**15A NCAC 10B .0203 WHITE-TAILED DEER**

**(a) Open All Lawful Weapons Seasons for hunting deer:**

- (1) **Deer With Visible Antlers.** Deer with antlers or spikes protruding through the skin, as distinguished from knobs or buttons covered by skin or velvet, may be taken during the following seasons, including on game lands unless otherwise specified in the rules of 15A NCAC 10D .0200.
  - (A) Saturday on or nearest October 15 through January 1 in Beaufort, Bladen, Brunswick, Carteret, Columbus, Cumberland, Craven, Dare, Duplin, Harnett, Hoke, Hyde, Jones, Lenoir, Moore, New Hanover, Onslow, Pamlico, Pender, Richmond, Robeson, Sampson, Scotland, Tyrrell, and Washington counties. It is unlawful to hunt or kill deer in Lake Waccamaw or within 50 yards of its shoreline in Columbus County.
  - (B) Saturday on or nearest October 15 through January 1 in Bertie, Camden, Chowan, Currituck, Edgecombe, Franklin, Gates, Greene, Halifax, Hertford, Johnston, Martin, Nash, Northampton, Pasquotank, Perquimans, Pitt, Vance, Wake, Warren, Wayne, and Wilson counties.
  - (C) Saturday before Thanksgiving Day through January 1 in Alexander, Alleghany, Ashe, Catawba, Cleveland, Davie, Forsyth, Gaston, Iredell, Lincoln, Polk, Rutherford, Stokes, Surry, Watauga, Wilkes, and Yadkin counties.
  - (D) Saturday after Thanksgiving Day through January 1 in Avery, Buncombe, Burke, Caldwell, Cherokee, Clay, Graham, Haywood, Henderson, Jackson, Macon, Madison, McDowell, Mitchell, Swain, Transylvania, and Yancey counties.
  - (E) Two Saturdays before Thanksgiving Day through January 1 in Alamance, Anson, Cabarrus, Caswell, Chatham, Davidson, Durham, Granville, Guilford, Lee, Mecklenburg, Montgomery, Orange, Person, Randolph, Rockingham, Rowan, Stanly, and Union counties.
  - (F) Saturday on or nearest September 10 through January 1 in the parts of Camden, Gates, and Pasquotank counties known as the Dismal Swamp National Wildlife Refuge; in the parts of Hyde, Tyrrell, and Washington counties known as the Pocosin Lakes National Wildlife Refuge; in the part of Hyde county known as Lake Mattamuskeet National Wildlife Refuge; in the parts of Dare and Hyde counties known as Alligator River National Wildlife Refuge; in the parts of Anson and Richmond counties known as the Pee Dee National Wildlife Refuge; and in the part of Currituck County known as the Mackay Island National Wildlife Refuge.
- (2) **Antlered or Antlerless Deer.** Except on Game Lands, antlered or antlerless deer may be taken during the open seasons and in the counties and portions of counties listed in Parts (A) through (G) of this Subparagraph.
  - (A) The open antlered or antlerless deer hunting dates established by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service from the Saturday on or nearest September 10 through January 1 in the parts of Camden, Gates, and Pasquotank counties known as the Dismal Swamp National Wildlife Refuge; in the parts of Hyde, Tyrrell, and Washington counties known as the Pocosin Lakes National Wildlife Refuge; in the parts of Anson and Richmond counties known as the Pee Dee National Wildlife Refuge; and in the parts of Currituck County known as the Currituck National Wildlife Refuge and the Mackay Island National Wildlife Refuge.
  - (B) The open antlered or antlerless deer hunting dates established by the military commands at the military installations listed in this Paragraph, from Saturday on or nearest October 15 through January 1 in the part of Brunswick County known as the Sunny Point Military Ocean Terminal, in the part of Craven County known and marked as Cherry Point Marine Base, in the part of Onslow County known and marked as the Camp Lejeune Marine Base, on Fort Liberty Military Reservation, and on Camp Mackall Military Reservation.
  - (C) The first open Saturday of the Deer With Visible Antlers Season described in Subparagraph (a)(1) of this Rule in Cherokee, Clay, Haywood, Jackson, Macon, Swain, and Transylvania counties.
  - (D) The first open day of the Deer With Visible Antlers Season described in Subparagraph (a)(1) of this Rule through the first Saturday thereafter in Buncombe, Henderson,

Madison, and McDowell counties, except in the areas described in Subparts (a)(2)(G)(i) and (ii) of this Rule.

- (E) The first open day of the season for Deer With Visible Antlers described in Subparagraph (a)(1) of this Rule through the second Saturday thereafter in Avery, Burke, Caldwell, Mitchell, and Yancey counties.
- (F) The first open day of the season for Deer With Visible Antlers described in Subparagraph (a)(1) of this Rule through the fourth Saturday thereafter in Cleveland, Polk, and Rutherford counties.
- (G) Open days of the season for Deer With Visible Antlers described in Subparagraph (a)(1) of this Rule in and east of Ashe, Watauga, Wilkes, Alexander, Catawba, Lincoln, and Gaston counties and in the following parts of counties:
  - (i) The part of Buncombe County east of N.C. 191, south of the French Broad and Swannanoa Rivers, west of U.S. 25, and north of N.C. 280; and
  - (ii) The part of Henderson County east of N.C. 191 and north and west of N.C. 280.

(b) Open Archery Seasons for hunting deer:

- (1) Authorization. Subject to the restrictions set out in Subparagraph (2) of this Paragraph and the bag limits set out in Paragraph (f) of this Rule, deer may be taken with archery equipment from Saturday on or nearest September 10 through the day immediately preceding the first open day of the Blackpowder Firearms Season described in Subparagraph (c)(1) of this Rule, including on game lands unless otherwise specified in the rules of 15A NCAC 10D .0200.
- (2) Restrictions
  - (A) In the areas of the State where the Commission regulates the use of dogs as provided in G.S. 113-291.5, dogs may not be used for hunting deer during the Archery Season, except a single dog on a leash may be used to retrieve a dead or wounded deer in accordance with G.S. 113-291.1(k).
  - (B) Only archery equipment of the types authorized in 15A NCAC 10B .0116 for taking deer may be used during the Archery Season.
  - (C) Antlered or antlerless deer may be taken during Archery Season specified by Part (b)(1)(A) of this Rule.

(c) Open Blackpowder Firearms Seasons for hunting deer:

- (1) Authorization. Subject to the restrictions set out in Subparagraph (2) of this Paragraph, deer may be taken only with blackpowder firearms and archery equipment from two Saturdays preceding the first day of the open season for Deer with Visible Antlers described in Parts (a)(1)(A), (B), (C), (D), (E), and (F) of this Rule through the second Friday thereafter including on game lands unless otherwise specified in the rules of 15A NCAC 10D .0200.
- (2) Restrictions
  - (A) Antlered or antlerless deer may be taken during Blackpowder Firearms Season in a county or county part set forth in Part (a)(2)(D), (E), (F), or (G) of this Rule that has one or more open days within the All Lawful Weapons Season to legally harvest antlerless deer.
  - (B) Antlered or antlerless deer may be taken during the second open Saturday of the Blackpowder Firearms Season thru the first Friday thereafter in any county or county part set forth in Part (a)(2)(C) of this Rule.
  - (C) Antlered or antlerless deer may be taken on the second open Saturday of the Blackpowder Firearms Season in any county or county part not set forth in Subparagraph (a)(2) of this Rule.
  - (D) In the areas of the State where the Commission regulates the use of dogs as provided in G.S. 113-291.5, dogs shall not be used for hunting deer during the Blackpowder Firearms Season, except a single dog on a leash may be used to retrieve a dead or wounded deer in accordance with G.S. 113-291.1(k).
- (3) As used in this Rule, "blackpowder firearms" means any firearm, including any firearm with a matchlock, flintlock, percussion cap, or similar type of ignition system, manufactured before 1899, that cannot use fixed ammunition; any replica of this type of firearm if the replica is not designed or redesigned for using rimfire or conventional centerfire fixed ammunition; and any muzzle-loading rifle, muzzle-loading shotgun, or muzzle-loading or cylinder-loading handgun that is

designed to use blackpowder, blackpowder substitute, or any other propellant loaded through the muzzle, cylinder, or breech and that cannot use fixed ammunition.

(d) Open Urban Season for hunting deer:

- (1) Authorization. Subject to the restrictions set out in Subparagraph (3) of this Paragraph and the bag limits set out in Paragraph (f) of this Rule, antlered or antlerless deer may be taken with archery equipment in participating cities in the State, as defined in G.S. 160A-1(2), from the second Saturday following January 1 through the sixth Sunday thereafter. Deer shall not be taken on game lands within a city boundary.
- (2) Participation. Cities that intend to participate in the Urban Season shall send a letter to that effect no later than April 1 of the year prior to the start of the Urban Season to the Executive Director or his designee at 1722 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, N.C. 27699-1700. Cities shall also submit a map of the city's boundaries within which the Urban Season shall apply.
- (3) Restrictions:
  - (A) In the areas of the State where the Commission regulates the use of dogs as provided in G.S. 113-291.5, dogs shall not be used for hunting deer during the Urban Season except a single dog on a leash may be used to retrieve a dead or wounded deer in accordance with G.S. 113-291.1(k).
  - (B) Only archery equipment of the types authorized in 15A NCAC 10B .0116 for taking deer shall be used during the Urban Season.

(e) Open Youth Days for hunting deer. Antlered or antlerless deer may be taken with all lawful weapons by individuals under 16 years of age during the following days:

- (1) The fourth Saturday in September and the Sunday immediately thereafter in all counties; and
- (2) Thanksgiving Day and the Friday immediately thereafter in the counties listed in Part (a)(1)(D) of this Rule.

(f) Bag limits. The possession and season limit is six deer, two that may be deer with visible antlers and four that may be antlerless deer. Antlerless deer include males with knobs or buttons covered by skin or velvet as distinguished from spikes protruding through the skin. A hunter may obtain multiple Bonus Antlerless Deer Harvest Report Cards from the Wildlife Resources Commission or any Wildlife Service Agent to allow the harvest of two additional antlerless deer per card for deer harvested during the season described in Paragraph (d) of this Rule within the boundaries of participating municipalities, except on State-owned game lands. Antlerless deer harvested and reported on the bonus antlerless harvest report card shall not count as part of the possession and season limit.

(g) Deer Management Assistance Program. The bag limits described in Paragraph (f) of this Rule do not apply to deer harvested in areas covered in the Deer Management Assistance Program (DMAP) as described in G.S. 113-291.2(e) for those individuals using Commission-issued DMAP tags and reporting harvest as described on the DMAP license. Season bag limits shall be set by the number of DMAP tags issued and in the hunters' possession. All deer harvested under this program, regardless of the date of harvest, shall be tagged with DMAP tags and reported as instructed on the DMAP license. The hunter does not have to validate the Big Game Harvest Report Card provided with the hunting license for deer tagged with the DMAP tags. Any deer harvested on lands enrolled in the DMAP and not tagged with DMAP tags may only be harvested during the regularly established deer seasons subject to the restrictions of those seasons, including bag limits, and reported using the big game harvest report card or the bonus antlerless harvest report card.

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**15A NCAC 10C .0307 FLOUNDER**

- (a) The daily creel limit for flounder is four fish.
  - (b) The minimum size limit is 15 inches.
  - (c) The season for taking and possessing flounder is September 1 through September 14.
- Flounder shall not be taken or possessed.

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**15A NCAC 10C .0316 MOUNTAIN TROUT**

- (a) The daily creel limit for trout in Hatchery-Supported Trout Waters is seven fish. There is no minimum size limit for these fish. The open season is from 7 a.m. on the first Saturday in April until March 1, except for waters designated in Paragraph (g) of this Rule.
- (b) The daily creel limit for trout in Wild Trout Waters is four fish. The minimum size limit for these fish is seven inches. There is no closed season.
- (c) No trout shall be harvested from Catch and Release/Artificial Flies and Lures Only Trout Waters. Trout shall not be possessed while fishing these waters.
- (d) The daily creel limit for trout in Delayed Harvest Trout Waters is seven fish. There is no minimum size limit for these fish. The Youth-only Delayed Harvest Trout Water Season is from 6:00 a.m. on the first Saturday in June until 12 p.m. that same day. During this season individuals under 16 years of age may fish. From 12:00 p.m. on the first Saturday in June until September 30, the Delayed Harvest Trout Waters Season is open for anglers. From October 1 to one-half hour after sunset on the Friday before the first Saturday in June, trout shall not be harvested or possessed while fishing these waters. Delayed Harvest Trout Waters are closed to fishing from one-half hour after sunset on the Friday before the first Saturday in June to 6 a.m. on the first Saturday in June.
- (e) The daily creel limits, size limits, and seasons for trout in Special Regulation Trout Waters are as follows:
  - (1) Apalachia Reservoir (Cherokee County) the daily creel limit is three trout. There is no minimum size limit, but only one may be greater than 14 inches. There is no closed season.
  - (2) Catawba River (Burke County) from Muddy Creek to the City of Morganton water intake dam the daily creel limit is two fish. The minimum size limit is 14 inches. There is no closed season.
- (f) The daily creel limit for trout in undesignated trout waters is seven fish. There is no minimum size limit for these fish.
- (g) There is no closed season on taking trout from Linville River within Linville Gorge Wilderness Area and the impounded waters of the following power reservoirs and municipally-owned water supply reservoirs open to the public for fishing.
  - (1) Bear Creek Lake;
  - (2) Buckeye Creek Reservoir;
  - (3) Calderwood Reservoir;
  - (4) Cedar Cliff Lake;
  - (5) Cheoah Reservoir;
  - (6) Cliffside Lake;
  - (7) Tanassee Creek Lake;
  - (8) Queens Creek Lake; and
  - (9) Wolf Lake.
- (h) In designated Public Mountain Trout Waters the season for taking all species of fish is the same as the trout fishing season.
- (i) Trout water designations and manners of take are set forth in 15A NCAC 10C .0205.

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#### **15A NCAC 10D .0102 GENERAL REGULATIONS REGARDING USE**

(a) For purposes of this Subchapter, the following definitions apply:

- (1) "Permanent Hunting Blind" means a structure that is used for hunter concealment, constructed from manmade or natural materials, and that is not disassembled and removed at the end of the day's hunt.
- (2) "Target shooting" means the discharge of a firearm for purposes other than hunting, trapping, or self-defense.
- (3) "Youth" means individuals under 16 years of age.

(b) Trespass. Entry on game lands for purposes other than hunting, trapping, or fishing shall be as authorized by the landowner. The Wildlife Resources Commission has identified the following areas on game lands that have additional restrictions on entry or usage:

- (1) Archery Zone. On portions of game lands posted as "Archery Zones" hunting is limited to archery equipment and falconry. During the open deer seasons for these areas, antlered and antlerless deer may be taken.
- (2) Safety Zone. On portions of game lands posted as "Safety Zones" hunting is prohibited. No person shall hunt or discharge a firearm or bow and arrow within, into, or across a posted safety zone on a game land. Falconry is exempt from this provision.
- (3) Restricted Firearms Zone. On portions of game lands posted as "Restricted Firearms Zones" the use of centerfire rifles is prohibited.
- (4) Restricted Zone. Portions of game lands posted as "Restricted Zones" are closed to use by the public, and entry on these areas is prohibited without written approval from the Wildlife Resources Commission. The Commission may authorize entry when the primary purpose for the Restricted Zone shall not be compromised and the persons requesting entry demonstrate a valid need, or official business of the Commission is being conducted by a contractor or agent of the Commission. Valid needs may include access to private property, scientific investigations, surveys, or other access to conduct activities in the public interest.
- (5) Temporary Restricted Zone. Portions of game lands posted as "Temporary Restricted Zones" are closed to use by the public, and entry is prohibited without written approval from the Wildlife Resources Commission. An area of a game land shall be declared a Temporary Restricted Zone when there is a danger to the health or welfare of the public.
- (6) Scouting-only Zone. On portions of the game lands posted as "Scouting-only Zones" the discharge of firearms or bow and arrow is prohibited.
- (7) Restricted Deer Hunting Zone. On portions of game lands posted as "Restricted Deer Hunting Zones" the use of dogs for taking deer is prohibited, except as allowed by permit as provided in G.S. 113-264(d).
- (8) Day Use Only Zone. On portions of game lands posted as "Day Use Only Zones" the use by the public shall be prohibited from sunset to sunrise.
- (9) Sensitive Habitat Zone. Portions of game lands posted as "Sensitive Habitat Zones" are closed to use by the public during the dates specified on the sign, and entry is prohibited without written approval from the Wildlife Resources Commission by calling 919-707-0150 and requesting a permit.

The Commission shall conduct a public input meeting in the area where the game land is located before establishing the following zones: archery, restricted firearms, restricted deer hunting, day use only, or sensitive habitat. After the input meeting, the public comments shall be presented at an official Commission meeting for final determination.

(c) Littering. No person shall deposit litter, trash, garbage, or other refuse on any game land except in receptacles provided for disposal of refuse at designated camping and target-shooting areas. No garbage dumps or sanitary landfills shall be established on a game land by a person, firm, corporation, county, or municipality, except as permitted by the landowner.

(d) Use of weapons. No person shall discharge:

- (1) a weapon within 150 yards of a game land building or designated game land camping area, except where posted otherwise;
- (2) a weapon within 150 yards of a residence located on or adjacent to game lands, except on Butner-Falls of Neuse and Jordan game lands; and
- (3) a firearm within 150 yards of a residence located on or adjacent to Butner-Falls of Neuse and Jordan Game Lands.

No person shall hunt with or have in possession a shotgun shell containing lead or toxic shot while hunting on a posted waterfowl impoundment on a game land, except shotgun shells containing lead buckshot may be used while deer hunting. Individuals carrying a concealed handgun shall adhere to the requirements set forth in G.S. 14-415.11, even if the state issuing the concealed handgun permit is not North Carolina. On Butner-Falls of Neuse, Jordan, Kerr Scott, and Vance game lands, no person shall possess loaded firearms, ammunition, bows and arrows, crossbows, or other weapons except as provided in the Code of Federal Regulations, Title 36, Chapter III, Part 327.13, which is incorporated by reference, including subsequent amendments and editions. This document may be accessed at [www.ecfr.gov](http://www.ecfr.gov) at no cost. On Buckhorn, Chatham, Harris, Hyco, Lee, Mayo, and Sutton Lake game lands; Pee Dee River Game Land north of U.S. 74; and that portion of R. Wayne Bailey- Caswell Game Land that is located north of U.S. 158 and east of N.C. 119, no person shall possess a firearm during closed hunting seasons or closed hunting days for game birds or game animals, except under the following conditions:

- (1) the firearm is a .22 caliber pistol with a barrel not greater than seven and one-half inches in length and shooting only short, long, or long rifle ammunition carried as a side arm;
- (2) the firearm is cased or not immediately available for use;
- (3) the firearm is used by persons participating in field trials on field trial areas; or
- (4) the firearm is possessed in designated camping areas for defense of persons and property.

(e) Game Lands License: Hunting and Trapping

- (1) Except as provided in Subparagraph (4) of this Paragraph, a person entering a game land to hunt, trap, run dogs, or train dogs using wildlife shall have in his or her possession a valid North Carolina hunting or trapping license.
- (2) For Commission-sanctioned field trials, active participants, as defined in 15A NCAC 10B .0114, in a field trial using wildlife shall possess a North Carolina hunting license, except non-residents may substitute hunting licenses from their state(s) of residence.
- (3) For other field trials using wildlife occurring on game lands, judges and active participants shall possess a North Carolina hunting license.
- (4) Exceptions:
  - (A) a person under 16 years of age may hunt on game lands on the license of his parent or legal guardian;
  - (B) on the game lands described in Rule .0103 (j)(1) of this Section, the game lands license is required for hunting doves; other activities are subject to the control of the landowners.

(f) Field Trials and Training Dogs. An individual or organization sponsoring a field trial on the Sandhills Field Trial area shall file an application with the Commission to use the area with the facility use fee computed at the rate of three hundred dollars (\$300.00) for each scheduled day of the trial. The total facility use fee shall cover the period from 12:00 noon of the day preceding the first scheduled day of the trial to 10:00 a.m. of the day following the last scheduled day of the trial. The facility use fee shall be paid for all intermediate days on which trials are not run but the building or facilities are used or occupied. A fee of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) per day shall be charged to sporting, educational, or scouting groups for scheduled events utilizing the club house only. No person or group of persons or other entity shall enter or use the physical facilities located on the Sandhills Field Trial area or the Laurinburg Fox Trial facility without written approval from an authorized agent of the Wildlife Resources Commission, and no entry or use of a facility shall exceed the scope of or continue beyond the approved use. The Sandhills Field Trial facilities shall be used only for field trials scheduled with the approval of the Wildlife Resources Commission. No more than 20 days of field trials may be scheduled for occurrence on the Sandhills facilities during a calendar month, and no more than five days may be scheduled during a calendar week. A field trial requiring more than five days may be scheduled during one week with reduction of the maximum number of days allowable during some other week so that the monthly maximum of 20 days is not exceeded. Before October 1 of each year, the North Carolina Field Trial Association or other organization desiring use of the Sandhills facilities between the Wednesday on or nearest October 18 and the second Friday before Thanksgiving and between the first Monday following Thanksgiving and March 31 shall submit its proposed schedule of use to the Wildlife Resources Commission for consideration and approval. The use of the Sandhills Field Trial facilities by individuals for training dogs is prohibited; elsewhere on the Sandhills Game Lands dogs may be trained only on Mondays, Wednesdays, and

Saturdays from October 1 through April 1. Dogs may not be trained or permitted to run unleashed from April 1 through August 15 on game lands located west of I-95, except when participating in field trials sanctioned by the Wildlife Resources Commission. Dogs may not be trained or permitted to run unleashed from March 15 through June 15 on game lands located east of I-95, except when participating in field trials sanctioned by the Wildlife Resources Commission. Additionally, on game lands located west of I-95 where special hunts are scheduled for sportsmen participating in the Disabled Sportsman Program, dogs may not be trained or allowed to run unleashed during legal big game hunting hours on the dates of the special hunts. A field trial shall be authorized when the field trial does not conflict with other planned activities on the game land or field trial facilities, and the applying organization demonstrates their experience and expertise in conducting genuine field trial activities. Entry to physical facilities, other than by field trial organizations under permit, shall be granted when they do not conflict with other planned activities previously approved by the Commission and they do not conflict with the mission of the agency.

(g) Trapping. Subject to the restrictions contained in 15A NCAC 10B .0300, trapping of furbearing animals, armadillos, coyotes, and groundhogs is permitted on game lands during the open trapping seasons for those areas, established by rule. Foxes may be trapped on game lands from October 1 through the end of February in a county with an open fox trapping season that falls between October 1 and the end of February. Foxes may not be taken by trapping on game lands in counties with a closed fox trapping season or during a fox trapping season that occurs outside the dates of October 1 through the end of February. Additionally, fox trapping is allowed on game lands in Clay, Graham, Henderson, Macon, and Tyrrell counties with a daily bag limit of two and a season bag limit of 10 from the first to the fourth Saturday in January. Trapping is prohibited:

- (1) on the J Robert Gordon Field Trial Area of Sandhills Game Land;
- (2) in posted "safety zones" located on a game land;
- (3) by the use of bait on the National Forest Lands bounded by the Blue Ridge Parkway on the south, US 276 on the north and east, and NC 215 on the west;
- (4) on the DuPont State Forest Game Lands; and
- (5) from April 1 through September 31.

At a trap, trappers may use a single bait site of grain, fruit, or other foods when trapping if the food is not a processed food product as defined in G.S. 113-294(r), is less than 3 cubic inches and is covered to prevent it from being seen from above. Feathers, including those with attached skin or entire bird wings, hair with or without skin or hide, and bones that include no attached meat, organs, or viscera do not need to be covered.

(h) Vehicular Traffic. No person shall drive a motorized vehicle on a game land except on roads constructed, maintained, and opened for vehicular travel and on trails posted for vehicular travel, unless the person:

- (1) is driving in the vehicle gallery of a scheduled bird dog field trial held on the Sandhills Game Land; or
- (2) is a disabled sportsman as defined in Paragraph (l) of this Rule or holds a Disabled Access Program Permit as described in Paragraph (l) of this Rule and is abiding by the rules described in Paragraph (k).

(i) Camping.

- (1) No person shall camp on a game land except on an area posted by the landowner for camping.
- (2) On game lands owned by the State of North Carolina, where the North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission is the primary custodian, the maximum period of consecutive overnight camping at a designated camping area is 14 days within any 30-day period, unless otherwise specified in rules of this Subchapter. After 14 consecutive days of camping, personal belongings shall be removed from the game land.
- (3) A hunting, fishing, trapping or Game Lands License is required for individuals age 16 or older to camp on game lands in areas posted for camping except when camping within 100 yards of the Roanoke River on the state-owned portion of the Roanoke River Wetlands Game Land, within 100 yards of the Neuse River on that portion of the game land west of NC-43, and in posted areas along the Mountains-to-Sea Trail on Butner-Falls of Neuse Game Land.

(j) Release of Animals and Fish. It is unlawful to release pen-raised animals or birds, wild animals or birds, domesticated animals, except hunting dogs and raptors where otherwise permitted for hunting or training purposes, or feral animals, or hatchery-raised fish on game lands without written authorization. It is unlawful to move wild fish from one stream to another on game lands without written authorization. Written authorization shall be given when release of animals is determined by a Wildlife Resources Commission biologist not to be harmful to native wildlife in the area and is in the public interest or advance the programs and goals of the Wildlife Resources Commission.

(k) Non-Highway Licensed Vehicles. It is unlawful to operate motorized land vehicles not licensed for highway use on game lands except for designated areas on National Forests. Disabled persons as defined in Paragraph (l) of this Rule and people who have obtained a Disabled Access Program permit are exempt from this restriction but shall comply with the terms of their permit. Furthermore, disabled persons, as defined under the federal Americans with Disabilities Act (42 U.S.C. 126) may use wheelchairs or other all-terrain wheelchairs on areas where foot travel is allowed. Off road vehicles including ATVs, UTVs, and ebikes are not permitted.

(l) Disabled Access Program. Disabled individuals who meet the requirements of G.S. 113-296 may obtain a Disabled Access Permit and Disabled Sportsman Hunt Certification online at [ncwildlife.org](http://ncwildlife.org). The Disabled Access Permit allows individuals to operate electric wheel chairs, all-terrain vehicles, and other passenger vehicles on any Commission-maintained road open for vehicular travel and those trails posted for vehicular travel and ungated or open-gated roads otherwise closed to vehicular traffic on game lands owned by the Wildlife Resources Commission and on game lands whose owners have agreed to that use. Those game lands, or parts thereof, where this Paragraph applies are designated online, at [www.ncwildlife.org](http://www.ncwildlife.org). This Paragraph does not permit vehicular access on fields, openings, roads, paths, or trails planted for wildlife food or cover. One companion, who is identified by a companion card issued to each qualified disabled person, may accompany a disabled person to provide assistance, provided the companion is constantly in visual or verbal contact with the disabled person. The companion may participate in lawful activities while assisting a disabled person, provided license requirements are met. A vehicle used by a qualified disabled person for access to game lands under this provision shall have the Disabled Access Permit available for inspection by wildlife enforcement officers upon request. Hunters who qualify under the Disabled Sportsman Program and their companions may access special hunting blinds for people with disabilities during regularly scheduled, non-permit hunting days on a first come basis, except for those blinds located on the Restricted Area of Caswell Game Land. It is unlawful for anyone other than disabled persons holding a Disabled Access Permit, during waterfowl season, to hunt within 100 yards of a waterfowl blind designated by the Wildlife Resources Commission as a Disabled Sportsman's hunting blind. The Disabled Sportsman Hunt Certification allows individuals to apply for available Disabled sportsman permit hunting opportunities as prescribed in G.S. 113-296.

(m) Public nudity. Public nudity, including nude sunbathing, is prohibited on game lands, including land or water. For the purposes of this Section, "public nudity" means a person's intentional failure to cover with a fully opaque covering the person's genitals, pubic area, anal area, or female breasts below a point from the top of the areola while in a public place.

(n) Shooting Ranges. On public shooting ranges managed by the Commission, no person shall use designated shooting ranges for purposes other than for firearm or bow and arrow marksmanship, development of shooting skills, or for other safe uses of firearms and archery equipment. Other uses, including camping, building fires, operating concessions or other activities not directly involved with recreational or competitive shooting are prohibited, unless written authorization is obtained from the Commission. No person, when using any shooting range, shall deposit debris or refuse on the grounds of the range. This includes items used as targets, except that clay targets broken on the range, by the shooter, may be left on the grounds where they fall. No person shall shoot items made of glass on the grounds of the range. No person may leave a vehicle or other obstruction in a location or position that it will prevent, impede, or inconvenience the use by other persons of any shooting range. No person shall leave a vehicle or other object parked in a place on the shooting range other than the place or zone that is designated and posted or marked as an authorized parking zone. No person shall handle firearms or bow and arrow on a shooting range in a careless or reckless manner. No person shall intentionally shoot into any target holder, post, or other permanent fixture or structure while using a shooting range. No person shall shoot a firearm in a manner that would cause rifled or smoothbore projectiles to travel off of the range, except that shotgun shot, size No. 4 or smaller may be allowed to travel from the range if it presents no risk of harm or injury to a person. Persons using a shooting range shall obey posted range safety rules and those persons who violate range safety rules or create a public safety hazard shall leave the shooting range if directed to by law enforcement officers or to leave by Commission employees. No person shall handle firearms on a shooting range while under the influence of an impairing substance. The consumption of alcohol or alcoholic beverages on a shooting range is prohibited. Open days and hours of operation shall be designated on signs and at least one sign shall be posted at the entrance to each shooting range. No person, when using a shooting range, shall do an act that is prohibited or neglect to do an act that is required by signs or markings placed on the area under authority of this Rule for regulating the use of the area.

(o) Limited-access Roads. During the months of June, July, and August, roads posted as "Limited-access Roads" are open to motorized vehicles from 5:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. These roads shall be posted with the opening and closing times.

(p) No person shall attempt to obscure the sex or age of a bird or animal taken by severing the head or any other part thereof, or possess a bird or animal that has been so mutilated.



(q) Baiting. Except as provided in Paragraph (g) of this Rule, no person shall place, or cause to be placed on a game land, salt, grain, fruit, or other foods without written authorization from an agent of the Commission. Written authorization may be provided for Commission authorized projects or Commission contractors to meet specific objectives. Except as authorized by rule, no person shall take or attempt to take wild birds or wild animals attracted to these foods.

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Amended Eff. July 1, 1998; July 1, 1996; July 1, 1995; July 1, 1994;  
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Temporary Amendment Eff. August 31, 2001;  
Amended Eff. August 1, 2002;  
Amended Eff. June 1, 2004; (this amendment replaces the amendment approved by RRC on July 17, 2003);  
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## **SUBCHAPTER 10F - MOTORBOATS AND WATER SAFETY**

### **SECTION .0100 - MOTORBOAT REGISTRATION**

#### **15A NCAC 10F .0101 MOTORBOAT IDENTIFICATION**

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Repealed Eff. July 1, 1988.

#### **15A NCAC 10F .0102 APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATE OF VESSEL NUMBER**

(a) Definitions. The definitions in G.S. 75A-2 shall apply throughout this Subchapter and to the forms prescribed pursuant to this Subchapter. As used in this Subchapter, the following definitions shall also apply:

- (1) "Boating Accident" means a collision, accident, casualty, or occurrence involving a vessel or its equipment and resulting in:
  - (A) damage by or to the vessel, its equipment, or other property;
  - (B) injury or loss of life to a person; or
  - (C) the disappearance of a person from a vessel under circumstances that indicate the possibility of death or injury.A "boating accident" includes capsizing, collision, foundering, flooding, fire, explosion, and the disappearance of a vessel other than by theft.
- (2) "Certificate of Title" means a document that serves as evidence of ownership of a vessel.
- (3) "Charter Fishing Vessel" means a vessel carrying passengers for hire who are engaged in recreational fishing.
- (4) "Dealer" means a person, firm, or corporation engaged in the business of offering vessels for sale at retail or wholesale from an established location.
- (5) "Government Agency Vessel" means a vessel owned and operated by the United States or a federal agency, a state, or a subdivision of a state.

- (6) "Rent or Lease Vessel" means a vessel that is rented or leased by the owners to an individual for a defined period of time.
- (7) "Manufacturer" means a person, firm, or corporation engaged in the business of manufacturing vessels either upon commission or for sale after manufacture.
- (8) "Nonprofit Rescue Squad Vessel" means a vessel owned and operated by a nonprofit rescue squad exclusively for rescue purposes, including rescue training.
- (9) "Proof of Ownership Document" means a document that provides evidence of ownership, including a Certificate of Number or a Certificate of Title issued by the Commission or a similar document issued by another state or country, an affidavit, a bill of sale, a manufacturer's statement of origin, or another document that establishes ownership.
- (10) "Vessel Agent" means an individual or business authorized by the Commission to conduct vessel transactions for certificate of number and certificate of titling requirements in G.S. 75A.

(b) General. The certificate of numbering and certificate of titling requirements of G.S. 75A-4, 75A-7, 75A-34, and 75A-35 shall apply to vessels operated on the public waters of North Carolina, including rented and leased vessels, commercial fishing vessels, and commercial passenger vessels. Vessels operated pursuant to a dealer's or manufacturer's certificate of number for demonstration or testing purposes, government agency vessels, and nonprofit rescue squad vessels shall not be subject to the titling requirements of G.S. 75A-34 and G.S. 75A-35 but shall remain subject to the certificate of numbering requirements of G.S. 75A-4 and G.S. 75A-7. An owner applying for a certificate of number and certificate of title of a vessel, shall apply to the Commission or to one of its vessel agents using an application available on the Commission website at [www.gooutdoorsnorthcarolina.com](http://www.gooutdoorsnorthcarolina.com). The application shall include the following information:

- (1) the name of the owners;
- (2) the address, telephone number, date of birth, and North Carolina driver license number of the owners;
- (3) the current or previous certificate of number, if applicable;
- (4) the desired period of certificate of number, either one or three years;
- (5) the primary operation of the vessel:
  - (A) pleasure;
  - (B) rent or lease;
  - (C) dealer or manufacturer demonstration;
  - (D) commercial fishing;
  - (E) commercial passenger;
  - (F) other commercial;
  - (G) charter fishing; or
  - (H) other.
- (6) the model, if known;
- (7) the manufacturer, if known;
- (8) the year of manufacture or model year, if known;
- (9) the manufacturer's hull identification number, if any;
- (10) the overall length of the vessel in feet and inches;
- (11) the type of vessel:
  - (A) open motorboat;
  - (B) cabin motorboat;
  - (C) houseboat;
  - (D) personal watercraft;
  - (E) pontoon;
  - (F) air boat;
  - (G) auxiliary sail;
  - (H) inflatable;
  - (I) paddlecraft/canoe;
  - (J) paddlecraft/kayak;
  - (K) rowboat;
  - (L) sail only; or
  - (M) other.
- (12) the hull material:
  - (A) wood;

- (B) aluminum;
- (C) steel;
- (D) fiberglass;
- (E) rubber/vinyl/canvas;
- (F) plastic; or
- (G) other.
- (13) the type of propulsion:
  - (A) propeller;
  - (B) sail;
  - (C) water jet;
  - (D) manual;
  - (E) air thrust; or
  - (F) other.
- (14) the type of fuel:
  - (A) gasoline;
  - (B) diesel;
  - (C) electric; or
  - (D) other.
- (15) the engine drive type:
  - (A) inboard;
  - (B) outboard;
  - (C) stern drive;
  - (D) pod drive;
  - (E) other; or
  - (F) none.
- (16) a proof of ownership document;
- (17) the signature of the owners;
- (18) the make of motor if over 25 horsepower, including serial number and purchase price of motor, if known;
- (19) the lien holder name, address, and telephone number, if applicable;
- (20) the effective lien date, if applicable;
- (21) the county where vessel is taxed; and
- (22) proof of United States Coast Guard documentation, if applicable.

(c) Application for certificate of number and certificate of title. The owners shall complete and submit an application

for a certificate of number, proof of ownership documents, and required fees to the Commission or one of its vessel agents for processing within 15 days of the date of sale. A new certificate of number shall be issued for new or never-before registered vessels. For a period of 60 days following the date of sale, the new owners may use a copy of the proof of ownership document as a temporary certificate of number pending receipt of the original certificate, provided it contains the date of sale. If required, a certificate of title shall be issued and the reported liens shall be recorded.

(d) Rented or Leased Vessel Owners. Upon receipt of a completed application and a copy of the lease or rental agreement form and fee, the Commission shall issue to the applicant a certificate of number and, if applicable, a certificate of title.

(e) Dealers and Manufacturers of Vessels. Upon receipt of a completed application and fee, the Commission shall issue to the applicant a certificate of number that may be used in connection with the operation of a vessel in the possession of the dealer or manufacturer when the vessel is being demonstrated. Dealer and manufacturer certificates of number shall not be transferred. A new certificate of number shall be issued upon sale or transfer. Demonstration vessels shall not be titled so long as the vessel is owned by the dealer or manufacturer. Vessels owned or possessed by dealers or manufacturers for personal use or for a use other than for demonstration and testing purposes shall be individually registered in the name of the dealer or manufacturer in accordance with the certificate of number requirements of Paragraph (b) of this Rule. Additional dealer or manufacturer certificates of number may be obtained by making application in the manner prescribed for the initial certificate with payment of a fee for each additional certificate. Dealers and manufacturers may register individual vessels in accordance with Rule .0104(a) of this Section.

(f) Government Agency and Nonprofit Rescue Squad Vessels. Upon receipt of a completed application and proof of ownership documents from a government agency or non-profit rescue squad, the Commission shall issue to the applicant a permanent certificate of number. There shall be no fee for a permanent government agency or non-profit rescue squad certificate of number and the certificate shall be valid until the vessel is transferred to another government agency, an individual, a business, or a dealer. Government agency and nonprofit rescue squad registered vessels shall not be titled.

(g) Commercial Fishing Vessel. The standard application for a certificate of number shall be used for commercial fishing vessels with the term "commercial fishing" marked in the section designated for "primary operation of the vessel." Upon receipt of a completed application, proof of ownership document, and fee, the Commission shall issue to the applicant a certificate of number and, if applicable, a certificate of title.

(h) Commercial Passenger Vessel. Upon receipt of a completed application, proof of ownership document, and fee, the Commission shall issue to the applicant a certificate of number and, if applicable, a certificate of title.

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#### **15A NCAC 10F .0103 TRANSFER OF OWNERSHIP**

(a) Transfer of previously registered and titled vessels.

- (1) Transfer of previously registered and titled vessels from one individual owners to another.
  - (A) When the ownership of a titled vessel is transferred, the owners listed on the face of the certificate of title shall complete the Assignment of Title section on the reverse side of the certificate of title and surrender the title to the new owners. All outstanding liens shall be satisfied before the title is surrendered. If the ownership of a titled vessel is transferred by court order, will, settlement agreement, separation agreement, judgment, or other document and the original title is not available, the previous owners or estate representative shall provide the new owners with documents establishing ownership.
  - (B) The new owners shall submit an application for a certificate of number and certificate of title, along with the properly assigned certificate of title and applicable fees, within 15 days of the date of sale to the Commission or one of its vessel agents for processing. The new owners shall indicate on the application whether or not any liens exist on the vessel. If applicable, a new certificate of title shall be issued and all reported liens shall be recorded. The original certificate of number shall be retained when a vessel that was previously registered in North Carolina is transferred to a new owner. A new certificate of number shall be issued to a vessel that was previously registered in another state or never before registered.
  - (C) For 60 days following the transfer of ownership of a previously titled vessel, the new owner may use a copy of the properly assigned certificate of title as a temporary certificate of number pending receipt of his or her own certificate provided the certificate is validated in accordance with Part (b)(1)(A) of this Rule.
- (2) Transfer of previously registered and titled vessels through a dealer.
  - (A) When the ownership of a titled vessel is transferred to a dealer, the owners listed on the face of the certificate of title shall complete the Assignment of Title section on the reverse side of the certificate of title and surrender the title to the dealer. All outstanding liens shall be satisfied before the certificate of title is surrendered to the dealer.
  - (B) When the vessel is subsequently sold, the dealer shall, on the day of the sale, provide the new owners the original certificate of title completed by the previous owners and a dealer bill of sale. The dealer bill of sale shall include the dealer's name; the name of the new owners; the date of sale; the certificate of number; the manufacturer's hull identification

number; and the model, year, and length of the vessel. The dealer bill of sale shall be signed by both the dealer and the new owners.

- (C) The new owners shall complete and submit an application for a certificate of number and certificate of title, along with the properly assigned certificate of title, dealer bill of Sale, and applicable fees, within 15 days of the date of sale to the Commission or one of its vessel agents for processing. If applicable, a new certificate of title shall be issued and all reported liens shall be recorded. The original certificate of number shall be retained when a vessel that was previously registered in North Carolina is transferred to a new owners. A new certificate of number shall be issued to a vessel that was previously registered in another state or never before registered.
- (D) For a period of 60 days following the transfer of ownership of a previously registered vessel, the new owner may use a copy of the dealer bill of sale as a temporary certificate of number pending receipt of his or her own certificate provided the certificate is validated in accordance with Part (b)(1)(A) of this Rule.

(b) Transfer of previously registered, non-titled vessels.

- (1) Transfer of a previously registered, non-titled vessel from one individual owner to another.

- (A) If the ownership of a previously registered vessel is transferred by sale or gift, the previous owners shall complete a notarized bill of sale. The bill of sale shall be given to the new owners and shall include the previous owners' names; the new owners' names; the date of sale or gift; the certificate of number; the manufacturer's hull identification number; and the model, year, and length of the vessel. The previous owner's signature shall be notarized. If the ownership of a previously registered vessel is transferred by a court order, will, settlement agreement, separation agreement, judgment, or other document, the previous owners or representative of the estate shall provide the new owners with documents establishing ownership.
- (B) The new owner shall complete and submit an application for a certificate of number and certificate of title, along with the proof of ownership document and applicable fees, within 15 days of the date of sale to the Commission or one of its vessel agents for processing. If applicable, a new certificate of title shall be issued and all reported liens shall be recorded. The original certificate of number shall be retained when a vessel previously registered in North Carolina is transferred to a new owner. A new certificate of number shall be issued to vessels previously registered in another State or never before registered.
- (C) For 60 days following the transfer of ownership of a previously registered vessel, the new owner may use a copy of the proof of ownership document as a temporary certificate of number pending receipt of his or her own certificate provided the certificate is validated in accordance with Part (b)(1)(A) of this Rule.

- (2) Transfer of a previously registered, non-titled vessel through a dealer.

- (A) The owners selling or transferring a previously registered vessel to a dealer shall complete a notarized bill of sale naming the dealer as the new owner. The bill of sale shall be given to the dealer and shall include the previous owners' names; the dealers name; the date of sale; the certificate of number; the manufacturer's hull identification number; and the model, year, and length of the vessel. The signature of the previous owners shall be notarized.
- (B) When the vessel is sold, the dealer shall provide the new owners a dealer bill of sale on the day of the sale. The dealer bill of sale shall include the dealer's name; the new owners' names; the date of sale; the certificate of number; the manufacturer's hull identification number; and the model, year, and length of the vessel. The dealer bill of sale shall be signed by both the dealer and the new owners.
- (C) The new owners shall complete and submit an application for a certificate of number and Certificate of Title, along with the proof of ownership document and applicable fees, within 15 days of the date of sale to the Commission or one of its vessel agents for processing. If applicable, a new certificate of title shall be issued and all reported liens shall be recorded. The original certificate of number shall be retained when a vessel, previously registered in North Carolina, is transferred to a new owners. A new certificate

- of number shall be issued to vessels previously registered in another state or vessels never before registered.
- (D) For a period of 60 days following the transfer of ownership of a previously registered vessel, the new owner may use a copy of the dealer bill of sale as a temporary certificate of number pending receipt of his or her own certificate provided the certificate is validated in accordance with Part (b)(1)(A) of this Rule.
- (3) Transfer of a vessel individually-registered to a dealer or manufacturer. Vessels that have been individually numbered by dealers or manufacturers shall upon transfer of ownership be governed by the provisions of Subparagraph (b)(1) of this Rule.

*History Note:* Authority G.S. 75A-3; 75A-5; 75A-19; 75A-37; 33 C.F.R. 174.21;  
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November 1, 1993; July 1, 1988; April 19, 1981;  
Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. December 6, 2016;  
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#### **15A NCAC 10F .0104 CERTIFICATE OF NUMBER**

- (a) General. A completed application, a proof of ownership document, and the required fees as provided in G.S. 75A-5(a1) and G.S. 75A-5.2(c), are necessary for the Commission to issue a certificate of number authorizing the operation of a vessel. The certificate of number shall be carried by the individual operating the vessel and shall be available for inspection by a law enforcement officer when requested. The certificate of number shall be signed by the owners.
- (b) Dealers and Manufacturers. A dealer or manufacturer demonstrating or testing a vessel may use a set of dealer numbers and the corresponding dealer certificate of number to operate a vessel held for sale for demonstration or testing purposes. Vessels owned or possessed by dealers or manufacturers for personal use or for a use other than for demonstration and testing purposes shall be individually registered in the name of the dealer in accordance with Paragraph (a) of this Rule.

*History Note:* Authority G.S. 75A-3; 75A-5; 75A-5.2; 75A-7; 75A-19; 33 CFR 174.19;  
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#### **15A NCAC 10F .0105 NUMBERING PATTERN**

- (a) General. A certificate of number assigned by the Commission shall consist of the abbreviation "NC" followed by a number consisting of not more than four Arabic numerals and a space or hyphen followed by not more than two capital letters, in accordance with the serials, numerically and alphabetically.
- (b) Prohibited Letters. The Letters "I", "O", and "Q" shall not be used in any certificate of number letter sequence. Letters or letters and numbers forming words or combinations shall not be used.
- (c) Government Agency. The single letter "P" shall be used following the numerals of vessels owned by governmental entities.
- (d) Dealers and Manufacturers. The single letter "X" shall be used following the numerals of vessels numbered for demonstration purposes by dealers and manufacturers.

*History Note:* Authority G.S. 75A-3; 75A-5; 75A-7; 75A-19; 33 C.F.R. 174.23;  
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#### **15A NCAC 10F .0106     DISPLAY OF VESSEL NUMBERS**

- (a) The vessel numbers shall be painted on or attached to each side of the forward half of the vessel for which the number was issued in a position that is visible and legible. The numbers shall read from left to right and shall be in block characters not less than three inches in height. The numbers shall be of a solid color that contrasts with the color of the background and maintained to be visible and legible.
- (b) No other number, except the year date of the validation decal described in Rule .0107 of this Section, shall be carried on the bow of a numbered vessel.
- (c) Manufacturers or dealers may have the vessel number printed upon or attached to a removable sign or signs to be temporarily attached to a vessel being demonstrated, so long as the display meets the requirements of Paragraph (a) of this Rule. If a currently or previously-numbered vessel is being demonstrated with dealer numbers, all permanent numbers painted on or attached to the bow shall be covered.
- (d) A vessel registered to a governmental entity and bearing the letter "P" shall continue to display the assigned numbers for so long as the vessel belongs to a governmental entity. Upon transfer of ownership of a vessel registered to a government entity to a private individual or business, the new owner shall apply to the Commission for a new certificate of number as provided in 15A NCAC 10F .0104.
- (e) A United States Coast Guard documented vessel registered in North Carolina shall not display the State vessel numbers.

*History Note:*     Authority G.S. 75A-3; 75A-5; 75A-19;  
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                         Amended Eff. November 1, 2018.

#### **15A NCAC 10F .0107     VALIDATION DECAL**

- (a) In addition to the certificate of number, the Commission shall supply to the owner of a numbered vessel two validation decals indicating the certificate's year of expiration. The owner shall affix one validation decal in a position that is visible and legible on each side of the bow following and within six inches of the vessel number.
- (b) A United States Coast Guard documented vessel shall affix one validation decal in a position that is visible and legible on the forward half of the starboard bow and one validation decal on the forward half of the port side bow.
- (c) A validation decal issued for a numbered vessel owned by a governmental entity shall contain no expiration date, shall bear the letter "P", and shall not be subject to renewal so long as the vessel remains the property of a governmental entity. When a vessel is transferred to private ownership, the decals shall be removed or destroyed by the transferring agency.

*History Note:*     Authority G.S. 75A-3; 75A-5; 75A-7; 33 C.F.R. 174.15;  
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#### **15A NCAC 10F .0108     RECIPROCITY**

*History Note:*     Authority G.S. 75A-3; 75A-5;  
                         Eff. February 1, 1976;  
                         Repealed Eff. July 1, 1988.

#### **15A NCAC 10F .0109     TEMPORARY CERTIFICATE OF NUMBER**

When a vessel owner completes a transaction to renew, or replace a certificate of number, or initiates a transaction for a new or transfer certificate of number, the owner shall be issued a temporary certificate of number. For up to 60 days following the date of the transaction, the vessel may be operated with the temporary certificate of number. The temporary certificate of number shall be signed by the owners.

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#### **15A NCAC 10F .0110 ABANDONED VESSELS**

(a) Any person may apply to the Commission to become the registered and titled owner of an abandoned vessel. The applicant shall:

- (1) send a certified letter with return receipt requested to the last registered owners. The applicant shall provide proof to the Commission that this letter was not deliverable or that the last registered owners failed to acknowledge or respond;
- (2) provide a written police report to the Commission stating that the abandoned vessel has not been reported missing or stolen in the area where it is listed as being moored; and
- (3) complete and submit to the Commission an application for a certificate of number and certificate of title and shall submit:
  - (A) a notarized statement summarizing when and where the vessel was found;
  - (B) documentation of all attempts to locate the owners;
  - (C) all available evidence that the vessel is abandoned;
  - (D) statements from any other persons knowledgeable about the history of the vessel; and
  - (E) all applicable fees.

(b) The Commission shall consider the evidence and documentation presented when determining if a vessel has been abandoned. If the Commission determines that the vessel has been abandoned, the Commission shall issue a certificate of number and certificate of title to the applicant.

*History Note: Authority G.S. 75A-5(i2);  
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### **SECTION .0200 - SAFETY EQUIPMENT AND ACCIDENT REPORTS**

#### **15A NCAC 10F .0201 SAFETY EQUIPMENT**

(a) All vessels subject to the rules of this Section shall meet the vessel equipment requirements set forth in G.S. 75A-6(n), 46 CFR 25, and 33 CFR 175. 46 CFR 25 and 33 CFR 175 are incorporated by reference, including subsequent amendments and editions, and can be found free of charge online at [www.ecfr.gov](http://www.ecfr.gov). Notwithstanding the federal regulations incorporated in this Paragraph, Paragraphs (b) through (g) shall apply to vessels operating in State waters. To the extent these vessel equipment requirements conflict with the incorporated federal regulations, federal regulations shall supersede any and all State laws or regulations.

(b) Personal flotation devices (PFDs) shall be required as follows:

- (1) No person may operate a vessel unless, for each person on the vessel, at least one U.S. Coast Guard approved wearable PFD as defined in 33 CFR 175.13 is on board and readily accessible. Any U.S. Coast Guard approved wearable PFD may be carried to meet the requirement, provided:
  - (A) the approved label for the PFD indicates that the device is approved for the activity for which the vessel is being used; or
  - (B) the PFD is used in accordance with the requirements on the approval label and with the requirements in its owner's manual.
- (2) No person shall operate a vessel 16 feet or more in length unless one U.S. Coast Guard approved throwable PFD as defined in 33 CFR 175.13 is on board and, readily accessible, in addition to the total number of PFDs required in Subparagraph (1) of this Paragraph.
- (3) No person shall operate a vessel while the vessel is underway with any child under 13 years old aboard unless each child is:
  - (A) wearing an appropriate PFD approved by the U.S. Coast Guard;
  - (B) below decks; or



- (C) in an enclosed cabin.  
This Subparagraph shall not apply to a vessel that is registered as a commercial vessel.
- (4) No person shall operate a vessel unless each required PFD is:
  - (A) in a condition allowing it to work as intended;
  - (B) of appropriate size and fit for the intended wearer;
  - (C) U.S. Coast Guard approved; and
  - (D) legibly marked with its approval number, as specified in 46 CFR 25 Uninspected Vessels, Requirements, and 33 CFR 175 Personal Flotation Devices.
- (5) Exemptions shall apply as follows:
  - (A) Canoes and kayaks 16 feet in length and over shall be exempted from the requirements for carriage of the additional U.S. Coast Guard approved throwable PFD as specified in Subparagraph (b)(2) of this Rule.
  - (B) Sailboards, surfboards, tubes, swimming rafts, inflatable toys, and similar devices used as water toys or swimming aids shall be exempted from the requirements for carriage of any PFD required under this Paragraph.
  - (C) Manually propelled vessels such as racing shells, rowing sculls, racing canoes, and racing kayaks that are recognized by national and international racing associations for use in competitive racing, that are not designed to carry any equipment not solely for competitive racing, and in which all occupants with the exception of a coxswain, if one is present, row, scull, or paddle, shall be exempted from the requirements for carriage of any type PFD required under this Paragraph.
- (c) U.S. Coast Guard marine approved and labeled fire extinguishers shall be required as follows:
  - (1) All motorboats shall carry at least the minimum number of U.S. Coast Guard approved hand portable fire extinguishers specified in this Rule if:
    - (A) the motorboat has closed compartments under thwarts and seats in which portable fuel tanks may be stored;
    - (B) the motorboat has double bottoms that are not sealed to the hull or that are not completely filled with flotation material;
    - (C) the motorboat has closed living spaces;
    - (D) the motorboat has closed stowage compartments in which combustible or flammable materials are stowed;
    - (E) the motorboat has permanently installed fuel tanks; or
    - (F) the motorboat is Class 2 or longer.
  - (2) Class A and Class 1 Motorboats less than 26 feet in length shall carry one Type B-I extinguisher.
  - (3) Class 2 Motorboats shall carry two Type B-I extinguishers.
  - (4) Class 3 Motorboats shall carry three Type B-I extinguishers.
  - (5) One Type B-II hand held fire extinguisher may be substituted for two B-I hand portable fire extinguishers. A fixed fire extinguishing system installed in the engine compartment shall be deemed equal to one Type B-I hand portable fire extinguisher.

Open Vessels. Vessels less than 26 feet in length, propelled by outboard motors and not carrying passengers for hire, shall not be required to carry portable fire extinguishers if the construction of the vessels will not permit the entrapment of explosive or flammable gases or vapors.

(d) Every engine, except outboard motors, using gasoline as fuel and installed in a vessel shall be equipped with an acceptable means of backfire flame control that meets the requirements of 46 CFR 25 and 33 CFR 175.

(e) Every vessel, except open vessels using liquid of a volatile nature, including gasoline or diesel, as fuel, shall be equipped with an operable ventilation system as required by 33 CFR 175.201 and to remove any explosive or flammable gases from the bilges of the engine and fuel tank compartments that meets the requirements of 46 CFR 25 and 33 CFR 175.

(f) Sound devices shall be required as follows:

- (1) Vessels less than 12 meters or 39.4 feet in length shall be equipped with some means of making an audible sound signal; and
- (2) Vessels equal to or greater than 12 meters or 39.4 feet in length shall be equipped with a whistle and a bell that comply with 33 USC 2033.

(g) Lights. The lights prescribed by this Paragraph shall be exhibited from sunset to sunrise and in fog, mist, falling snow, heavy rainstorms, sandstorms, or any other similar circumstances of restricted visibility. They may be exhibited in all other circumstances when deemed necessary by the operator of the vessel. During such times no

other lights shall be exhibited, except those that cannot be mistaken for the required navigation lights, which impair their visibility or distinctive character, or interfere with keeping a proper lookout as defined in 33 CFR 83.20(b). Lights shall be required as follows:

- (1) Vessels, other than those vessels described in Subparagraphs (g)(3)-(7) of this Rule, equal to or greater than 12 meters or 39.4 feet but less than 20 meters or 65.6 feet in length shall exhibit:
  - (A) a masthead light forward visible for three miles;
  - (B) sidelights, green to starboard and red to port, visible for two miles; and
  - (C) a stern light visible for two miles.
- (2) Vessels, other than those vessels described in Subparagraphs (g)(3)-(7) of this Rule, less than 12 meters or 39.4 feet in length shall exhibit:
  - (A) an all-round white light visible for two miles; and
  - (B) sidelights, green to starboard and red to port, visible for 1 mile.
- (3) Sailing vessels underway that are seven meters or 23 feet in length or greater shall exhibit:
  - (A) a stern light visible for two miles; and
  - (B) sidelights, green to starboard and red to port, visible for two miles.
- (4) In a sailing vessel less than 20 meters or 65.6 feet in length, the lights prescribed in Subparagraph (3) of this Paragraph may be combined in one lantern carried at or near the top of the mast where it can be best seen.
- (5) A sailing vessel of less than seven meters or 23 feet in length shall, if practicable, exhibit the lights prescribed in Subparagraph (3) or (4) of this Paragraph; if not practicable the vessel shall have ready at hand an electric torch or lighted lantern showing a white light that shall be exhibited in sufficient time to prevent a collision.
- (6) A vessel under oars shall either:
  - (A) exhibit the lights prescribed in Subparagraph (g)(5) of this Rule for sailing vessels; or
  - (B) have an electric torch or lighted lantern showing a white light readily available to be exhibited in sufficient time to prevent a collision.
- (7) On public waters not subject to the jurisdiction of the United States, vessels propelled by machinery of 10 horsepower or less, in lieu of the foregoing requirements in this Paragraph, may carry from one-half hour after sunset to one-half hour before sunrise a white light in the stern or have on board a hand flashlight in good working condition which shall be ready at hand and shall be temporarily displayed in sufficient time to prevent collision. This Subparagraph shall not apply to vessels in waters of this State that are subject to the jurisdiction of the United States.

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May 1, 1976;  
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Amended Eff. March 1, 2023; November 1, 2018.

#### **15A NCAC 10F .0202 ACCIDENT REPORTS**

(a) Federal Regulations Incorporated. Reporting boating accidents and notification of death or disappearance of persons from vessels operating on the waters of this State shall be governed by 33 CFR 173 Subpart C, which is incorporated by reference including subsequent amendments and editions. These federal regulations can be found free of charge online at [www.ecfr.gov](http://www.ecfr.gov).

(b) Use of Report. The accident reports required by Paragraph (a) of this Rule shall be used in developing statistical data as to the causes and frequency of boating accidents and in transmittal of information as required by G.S. 75A-12.

*History Note:* Authority G.S. 75A-3; 75A-11; 113-307; 33 C.F.R. 174.101 et seq.;  
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Amended Eff. November 1, 1999; August 1, 1988; May 1, 1976;  
Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. December 6, 2016;  
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## **SECTION .0300 - LOCAL WATER SAFETY REGULATIONS**

### **15A NCAC 10F .0301 GENERAL PROVISIONS**

(a) Definitions. The definitions used in G.S. 75A-2 shall apply in this Subchapter. In addition, the following definitions shall apply:

- (1) "Executive Director" means the Executive Director of the Commission;
- (2) "USATONS" means the U. S. Aids to Navigation System, which prescribes regulatory markers and aids to navigation that mark navigable waters of the United States. The rules governing USATONS in 33 CFR 62, are hereby incorporated by reference including all subsequent amendments and editions and can be found free of charge online at [www.ecfr.gov](http://www.ecfr.gov);
- (3) "Designated agency" means a subdivision of the State that the Commission designates for placement of markers that conform to USATONS standards;
- (4) "Regulatory Marker" and "Information Marker" means markers with an orange geometric shape against a white background, used to alert a mariner to warnings or regulatory matters, as defined in 33 CFR 62.33;
- (5) "Swimming area" means an enclosed area on the water for swimming that is marked against entry by vessels;
- (6) "Mooring area" means an area on the water delineated by speed zone markers where vessels may be tied to objects anchored on the seabed;
- (7) "Restricted area" means an area on the water that is marked to limit recreational activity and vessel speed; and
- (8) "Safety Zone" means a water area or shore area where, for safety or environmental purposes, access is limited to authorized persons and vessels, as defined in 33 CFR 165.20.

(b) Formal application for water safety rulemaking. Any subdivision of the State may, after public notice, apply to the Commission for rules on waters within the subdivision's territorial limits on an application provided by the Commission at [www.ncwildlife.org](http://www.ncwildlife.org). The completed application and supporting documents shall be mailed to the No Wake Zone Coordinator at North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission, 1701 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-1701 or submitted via email to [nowakezonecoordinator@ncwildlife.org](mailto:nowakezonecoordinator@ncwildlife.org). The application shall contain the following information:

- (1) the name of the subdivision of the State applying for water safety rulemaking;
- (2) the date of the application;
- (3) the contact person's name, telephone number, and mailing address;
- (4) descriptive information for the body of water;
- (5) location of the proposed no wake zone, marked swimming area, or other regulated area;
- (6) a statement that the subdivision of the State has given public notice of its intention to apply for rulemaking on waters within its territorial limits;
- (7) a resolution from the subdivision of the State requesting water safety rulemaking; and
- (8) an affirmation that the subdivision of the State or its designee will bear the cost for purchase and placement of markers that conform to USATONS standards.

(c) Marking Regulated Areas. The Commission may designate agencies for the placement of markers in areas established by rules in this Section. The designated agency or its designee shall be responsible for the purchase and placement of markers conforming to USATONS required to implement a water safety rule.

(d) Placement of Markers. Except where done by supervening federal authority, it shall be unlawful for anyone to place or maintain regulatory markers or navigational aids without authorization from the Commission; or to place information markers without permission from the Executive Director or his or her designee.

(e) Mooring Areas. The boundaries of mooring areas shall be defined by the placement of speed zone markers.

(f) Swimming Areas. No vessel entry shall be permitted in the waters of marked swimming areas. Marked swimming areas shall meet the following requirements:

- (1) the enclosed swimming area in the water shall not exceed 5,000 square feet;
- (2) the enclosed area shall be marked with float lines that, in conjunction with the shoreline, form an enclosed area;
- (3) the swimming area shall not extend into a navigational channel or interfere with navigation of vessels;
- (2) float lines shall have white, international orange, or alternating white and international orange floats along their length at intervals of not less than one every 10 feet;

- (3) floats shall be buoyant enough to float at the surface of the water while attached to the float line, and no float shall exceed a size of 18 inches in length or diameter;
  - (4) buoys or floating signs bearing the USATONS "boat exclusion area" symbol shall be attached to float lines to give warning to vessels approaching the swimming area from all directions; and
  - (5) float lines and warning markers shall be anchored.
- (g) Safety Zones. Markers prohibiting entry or use by vessels and swimmers in waters surrounding impoundment structures and powerhouses associated with hydroelectric generating facilities shall be buoys or floating signs placed in the water. Markers shall meet USATONS standards in number and size to give warning of the restriction to vessels approaching from all directions.
- (h) Enforcement. If an agent of the Commission discovers markers and navigational aids that do not conform to USATONS standards, that are placed without lawful authority or permission, or that fail to mark the defined regulated area, written notice shall be served upon the individuals responsible for the improper placement of the markers or navigational aids. Individuals served a written notice of violation shall have 10 days to correct any deficiency before the Commission issues a citation.
- (i) Miscellaneous Restrictions. Except for mooring buoys or markers that are specifically permitted by State or federal law, it shall be unlawful to tie a vessel to any waterway marker, as specified in 33 CFR 70.05. It shall be unlawful for any unauthorized person to move, remove, damage, block, paint over, or tamper with any marker lawfully placed in the waters of North Carolina in conformity with these rules or USATONS standards.

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 Amended Eff. April 1, 1999;  
 Readopted Eff. November 1, 2018;  
 Amended Eff. February 1, 2023.*

#### **15A NCAC 10F .0302 ATLANTIC BEACH**

(a) Regulated Areas. This Rule shall apply to the following waters in Atlantic Beach in Carteret County:

- (1) the canals east of the Atlantic Beach Bridge in Sound View Isles subdivision, including the waters of Money Island Slough from its east entrance at 34.70187 N, 76.72941 W to its west entrance at 34.70237 N, 76.73271 W, and all canals west of the bridge including the canal west of North Shore 1 Drive;
- (2) the waters of Bogue Sound within 55 yards of the north shore of Channel Bay Mobile Home Park and North Shore Mobile Home Park;
- (3) the waters of Bogue Sound from a point approximately 50 yards north of the entrance to Hoop Pole Creek Bay at 34.70319 N, 76.76904 W, to a line approximately 150 yards south of the entrance to Hoop Pole Creek Bay, shore to shore from a point on the east shore at 34.70178 N, 76.76757 W, to a point on the west shore at 34.70167 N, 76.76973 W, and within 50 yards of all boat ramps in Hoop Pole Creek Bay; and
- (4) the waters of Bogue Sound beginning at green day marker 3 and red day marker 4 near the entrance of the 8 ½ Marina Channel and extending within the channel to a point 50 yards west of the boat ramp at 8 ½ Marina Village.

(b) Speed Limit. No person shall operate a vessel at greater than no-wake speed within any of the regulated areas identified in Paragraph (a) of this Rule.

(c) Placement of Markers. The Town of Atlantic Beach shall be the designated agency for placement of the markers implementing this Rule, subject to the approval of the United States Coast Guard and the United States Army Corps of Engineers.

*History Note: Authority G.S. 75A-3; 75A-15;  
 Eff. February 1, 1976;  
 Amended Eff. July 1, 1998;  
 Readopted Eff. October 1, 2018.*

#### **15A NCAC 10F .0303 BEAUFORT COUNTY**

(a) Regulated Areas. This Rule shall apply to the following waters in Beaufort County:

- (1) the portion of Broad Creek south of a line from a point on the east shore at 35.49472 N, 76.95693 W to a point on the west shore at 35.49476 N, 76.96028 W and north of a line from a point on the east shore at 35.48485 N, 76.95178 W to a point on the west shore at 35.48495 N, 76.95619 W;
  - (2) the portion of Blounts Creek south of a line 100 yards north of the Blounts Creek Boating Access Area, from a point on the east shore at 35.40846 N, 76.96091 W to a point on the west shore at 35.40834 N, 76.96355 W, and north of a line 100 yards south of Cotton Patch Landing, from a point on the east shore at 35.40211 N, 76.96573 W to a point on the west shore at 35.40231 N, 76.96702 W;
  - (3) the waters of Battalina Creek, within the territorial limits of the Town of Belhaven;
  - (4) the navigable portion of Nevil Creek extending upstream from its mouth at the Pamlico River;
  - (5) the portion of Blounts Creek north of a line 35 yards south-southeast of the Mouth of the Creek Bridge from a point on the east shore at 35.43333 N, 76.96985 W to a point on the west shore at 35.43267 N, 76.97196 W and south of a line 350 yards north-northeast of the Mouth of the Creek Bridge from a point on the east shore at 35.43553 N, 76.96962 W to a point on the west shore at 35.43679 N, 76.97011 W;
  - (6) the portion of Tranters Creek east of a line from a point on the north shore at 35.56961 N, 77.09159 W to a point on the south shore at 35.56888 N, 77.09118 W and north of a line from a point on the east shore at 35.56714 N, 77.08941 W to a point on the west shore at 35.56689 N, 77.09029 W; and
  - (7) the waters of Little Creek beginning at a line near its mouth from a point on the east shore at 35.41917 N, 76.97102 W to a point on the west shore at 35.41900 N, 76.96940 W; and
  - (8) the canals at the eastern end of the peninsula between Chocowinity Bay and the Pamlico River at Fork Point and Whichard Beach, beginning at the canal entrance off of Chocowinity Bay at a point a 35.50296 N, 77.03043 W and beginning at the canal entrance off of the Pamlico River at a point at 35.50340 N, 77.02364 W.
- (b) **Speed Limit.** No person shall operate a vessel at greater than no-wake speed within any of the regulated areas identified in Paragraph (a) of this Rule.
- (c) **Placement of Markers.** The Board of Commissioners of Beaufort County and the City Council of the City of Washington shall be the designated agencies for placement of the markers implementing this Rule, subject to the approval of the United States Coast Guard and United States Army Corps of Engineers.

*History Note: Authority G.S. 75A-3; 75A-15  
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 Amended Eff. May 1, 2019; October 1, 2018; November 1, 2017.*

#### **15A NCAC 10F .0304 BLADEN COUNTY**

(a) **Regulated Areas.** This Rule applies to the following waters in Bladen County:

- (1) White Lake. The water between the shoreline and regulatory markers 500 feet from the shoreline is a Restricted Area.
  - (2) Cape Fear River:
    - (A) the waters shore to shore between a point 100 yards east and 100 yards west of the ferry cable at Elwell Ferry and Elwells Ferry Boating Access Area, 2702 Elwell Ferry Road, Council;
    - (B) the waters within 50 yards of the Tar Heel Boating Access Area, 1000 Wildlife Landing Drive, Tar Heel; and
    - (C) the waters within 50 yards of the Tory Hole Boating Access Area, 335 N. Poplar Street, Elizabethtown.
  - (3) Black River. The waters within 50 yards of the Hunts Bluff Boating Access Area, 351 Hunts Bluff Road, Kelly.
- (b) **Restricted Area.** Motorboats, as defined in G.S. 75A-2(1e), shall not be operated on a course parallel to the shoreline in the area described in Subparagraph (a)(1) of this Rule.

(c) Speed Limit. No person shall operate a motorboat at greater than no-wake speed within the regulated areas described in Paragraph (a).

(d) Placement and Maintenance of Markers.

- (1) the North Carolina Department of Natural and Cultural Resources, Division of State Parks shall be the designated agency for placement and maintenance of markers implementing the regulated area designated in Subparagraph (a)(1) of this Rule.
- (2) the North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission shall be the designated agency for placement and maintenance of markers implementing the regulated areas designated in Parts (a)(2)(A) through (C), and Subparagraph (a)(3) of this Rule.

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Temporary Amendment Eff. November 8, 2024;  
Amended Eff. April 1, 2025.*

#### **15A NCAC 10F .0305 BRUNSWICK COUNTY**

(a) Regulated Areas. This Rule applies to the waters described as follows:

- (1) Lockwood Folly River in the Town of Varnamtown, from a point at 33.94966 N, 78.22587 W, 500 yards northwest of the boat ramp located at the end of S.R. 1123 otherwise known as Fisherman Road, to a point at 33.94498 N, 78.22206 W, 180 yards southeast of the boat ramp, and including the portion of the river otherwise known as Mill Creek where it meets Lockwood Folly River directly across from the boat ramp, to a point 100 feet northeast at 33.94687 N, 78.22235 W;
- (2) Calabash River in the Town of Calabash, from a point in the water at the end of Marina Drive at 33.88638 N, 78.56254 W to a point 650 yards southwest at the southern end of the deep-sea fishing docks at 33.88344 N, 78.56751 W;
- (3) Morningstar Marinas Southport, shore to shore beginning at its intersection with the Intracoastal Waterway at a point at 33.91685 N, 78.02865 W;
- (4) Shallotte River east of S.R. 1233, otherwise known as Village Point Road SW south of the Town of Shallotte, shore to shore from its intersection with the Intracoastal Waterway at a point at 33.91477 N, 78.37103 W to point 500 feet north at 33.91613 N, 78.37126 W;
- (5) Montgomery Slough, otherwise known as Davis Creek, within 100 yards of the hotel and marina at the northern end of 57<sup>th</sup> Place West in the Town of Oak Island;
- (6) the waters in the natural and concrete canals located on the south side of the Intracoastal Waterway, east of N.C. Highway 904 in the Town of Ocean Isle Beach;
- (7) Town Creek east of S.R. 1609, otherwise known as Clearview Lane in Town Creek Township, shore to shore from a point at 34.16788 N, 78.07139 W, north and east around a bend in the creek to a point at 34.16910 N, 78.07030 W;
- (8) Montgomery Slough, otherwise known as Davis Creek, shore to shore from its entrance at the Intracoastal Waterway west of SW Yacht Drive at a point at 33.92145 N, 78.19408 W, to the canal end at NE 40<sup>th</sup> Street in the Town of Oak Island;
- (9) Intracoastal Waterway in the Town of Sunset Beach in the vicinity of the S.R. 1172 Sunset Beach Bridge and Sunset Beach Boating Access Area at 101 Sunset Boulevard, shore to shore from a point 150 yards east of the Sunset Beach Bridge at 33.88173 N, 78.50995 W, to a point 50 yards west of the bridge at 33.88111 N, 78.51194 W;
- (10) Intracoastal Waterway in the Town of Ocean Isle Beach in the vicinity of the N.C. Highway 904 Odell Williamson Bridge and Ocean Isle Beach Boating Access Area at 67 Causeway Drive, shore to shore from a point 100 yards east of the N.C. Highway 904 Odell Williamson Bridge at 33.89578 N, 78.43870 W, to a point 100 yards west of the Bridge at 33.89551 N, 78.44077 W;

- (11) Lockwood Folly River at Rourke's Landing Subdivision, beginning at a point south of the subdivision at 33.95338 N, 78.22553 W, north and west around two sharp bends in the channel and ending north at a point at 33.95539 N, 78.22900 W;
- (12) Intracoastal Waterway in the Town of Holden Beach, N.C. Highway 130 Holden Beach Bridge and Holden Beach Boating Access Area at 99 S. Shore Drive, shore to shore between a point 250 feet west and a point 100 feet east of the Holden Beach Bridge;
- (13) Intracoastal Waterway, within 50 yards of the Oak Island Boating Access Area at 4950 Fish Factory Road SE in Southport;
- (14) within 50 yards of the Sunset Harbor Boating Access Area adjacent to the Intracoastal Waterway at 356 Riverview Drive SE in Bolivia;
- (15) within 20 yards of the shoreline and 50 yards east and 50 yards west of the Brick Landing Boating Access Area on the Intracoastal Waterway at 1921 Brick Landing Road SW in Shallotte;
- (16) within 50 yards of Rices Creek Boating Access Area on Rice Creek at 797 Gordon Lewis Drive SE in Winnabow; and
- (17) within 50 yards of the Pireway Boating Access Area on Waccamaw River at 9739 Pireway Road NW in Ash.

(b) **Speed Limit.** No person shall operate a vessel at greater than no-wake speed within the regulated areas described in Paragraph (a) of this Rule.

(c) **Placement and Maintenance of Markers.** The following agencies shall place or place and maintain markers implementing this Rule, subject to the approval of the United States Coast Guard and the United States Army Corps of Engineers:

- (1) the Board of Aldermen of Varnamtown for placement in the area indicated in Subparagraph (a)(1) of this Rule;
- (2) the Board of Commissioners of Brunswick County for placement in areas indicated in Subparagraphs (a)(2) through (8) and (a)(11) of this Rule; and
- (3) the North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission for the placement and maintenance of areas indicated in Subparagraphs (a)(9), (a)(10), and (a)(12) through (17) of this Rule.

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*Amended Eff. February 1, 2025.*

## **15A NCAC 10F .0306 CAROLINA BEACH**

(a) **Regulated Area.** This Rule applies to the following waters in the Town of Carolina Beach:

- (1) Carolina Beach Yacht Basin shore to shore, south of a line from a point on the east shore at 34.05723 N, 77.88894 W to a point on the west shore at 34.05700 N, 77.89089 W; and
- (2) a portion of the Intracoastal Waterway in Myrtle Grove Sound within approximately 50 yards of the community pier and docks surrounding marinas at the Oceana Marina and Carolina Beach Yacht Club, but not extending into the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers channel setback, and extending south of the marinas within approximately 50 yards of the shoreline, but not extending into the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers channel setback, to the intersection with the no-wake zone at the Carolina Beach Yacht Basin.

(b) **Speed Limit.** It is unlawful to operate any vessel at greater than no-wake speed in the regulated areas described in Paragraph (a) of this Rule.

(c) Placement of Markers. The Carolina Beach Town Council shall be the designated agency for placement of the markers implementing this Rule, subject to the approval of the United States Coast Guard and the United States Army Corps of Engineers.

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Amended Eff. May 1, 2020.

**15A NCAC 10F .0307 CATAWBA, IREDELL, LINCOLN, AND MECKLENBURG COUNTIES**

- (a) Regulated Area. This Rule shall apply to Lake Norman in Catawba, Iredell, Lincoln, and Mecklenburg counties:
- (1) within 50 yards of the shoreline at Jetton Park in Mecklenburg County, from a point on the west side of the park at 35.47082 N, 80.90427 W, south and around the point at 35.46703 N, 80.90360 W, then northeast to a point at 35.47262 N, 80.89727 W;
  - (2) Bluff Point Cove in Cornelius shore to shore, east of a line from a point 50 yards west of the south shore of the cove mouth at 35.45327 N, 80.89520 W to a point 50 yards west of the north shore of the cove mouth at 35.45487 N, 80.89440 W; and
  - (3) the cove immediately north of the inlet of Hager Creek in Iredell County, north of a line from a point on the north shore at 35.55760 N, 80.94730 W southwest to a point on the island at the inlet of Hager Creek at 35.55695 N, 80.94971 W, and east of a line from the same point on the island northwest to a point on the north shore at 35.55754 N, 80.95029 W.
- (b) Speed Limit. No person shall operate a vessel at greater than no wake speed within the regulated areas described in Paragraph (a) of this Rule and as set forth in G.S. 75A-14.1.
- (c) Placement and Maintenance of Markers. The Lake Norman Marine Commission shall be the designated agency for placement and maintenance of navigational aids and regulatory markers on the waters of Lake Norman.
- (d) Vessel Liveries. Vessel liveries operating on Lake Norman shall conduct the following activities with each vessel renter prior to relinquishing control of the vessel:
- (1) a pre-rental vessel inspection to ensure that safety equipment required by Rule .0201 of this Subchapter is on board and accessible; and
  - (2) provide and review instruction on safe operation of the vessel rented including review of navigation rules in G.S. 75A-6.1, operating restrictions in G.S. 75A-10, an electronic or waterproof navigational map of Lake Norman, and the U.S. Coast Guard's U.S. Aids to Navigation System pamphlet.

Both parties shall sign and date documentation verifying adherence to these requirements on the date the rental begins. The vessel livery shall maintain a copy of this documentation for a period of two years from the date of rental which shall be made available to law enforcement officers upon request. The vessel renter shall have a copy of the documentation on the vessel and available for law enforcement upon demand during the term of the rental.

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**15A NCAC 10F .0308 CLAY COUNTY**

- (a) Regulated Areas. This Rule shall apply to the following waters in Chatuge Lake:
- (1) the waters shore to shore within 150 yards of the boat ramp at Ho Hum Campground at 47 Ho Hum Loop, Hayesville;
  - (2) the waters of Shooting Creek, from a line shore to shore 50 yards west of the High Bridge on NC Highway 175, to a line at the southeast end of Shooting Creek shore to shore, from a point at 35.01960 N, 83.72752 W; to a point at 35.01979 N, 83.72638 W;



- (3) the waters of Gibson Cove, south of a line from a point on the east shore at 35.01005 N, 83.79750 W to a point on the west shore at 35.01099 N, 83.79929 W, southwest to the end of Gibson Cove at 3279 Myers Chapel Road in Hayesville;
  - (4) within 50 yards of the Chatuge Cove Marina at 2397 Highway 175 in Hayesville;
  - (5) the portion of the cove shore to shore, west of Cottage Court off of NC Highway 175, northeast of a line from a point on the east shore at 35.02576 N, 83.73784 W; to a point on the northwest shore at 35.02609 N, 83.73945 W;
  - (6) within 50 yards of the Chatuge Dam Spillway access area in the vicinity of 1407 Chatuge Dam Road in Hayesville; and
  - (7) within 50 yards of the peninsula at Clay County Recreational Park, from a point on the north shore at 35.00850 N, 83.79254 W, east to a point in the water at 35.00874 N, 83.79187 W, south to a point in the water at 35.00782 N, 83.79119 W, southwest to a point in the water at 35.00672 N, 83.79211 W, west to a point on the shore at 35.00696 N, 83.79259 W.
- (b) **Speed Limit.** It shall be unlawful to operate a vessel at greater than no-wake speed within the regulated areas identified in Paragraph (a) of this Rule.
- (c) **Swimming Area.** No person operating or responsible for the operation of a vessel shall allow it to enter the waters of the Clay County Recreational Park Swimming Area at Clay County Recreational Park, 47 Clay Recreation Park Road, Hayesville.
- (d) **Restricted Area.** It shall be unlawful to operate a vessel at greater than no-wake speed within the no-wake zone at the Jack Rabbit Mountain Swim Area on Jack Rabbit Road in Hayesville. No person operating or responsible for the operation of a vessel shall allow it to enter the roped swim beach within the no-wake zone at Jack Rabbit Mountain Swim Area.
- (e) **Placement of Markers.** The Board of Commissioners of Clay County shall be the designated agency for placement of the markers implementing this Rule, subject to the approval of the Tennessee Valley Authority and the United States Army Corps of Engineers.

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#### **15A NCAC 10F .0309 COLUMBUS COUNTY**

- (a) **Regulated Area.** This Rule shall apply to the waters of Lake Waccamaw.
- (b) **Restricted Area.** The waters of Lake Waccamaw between the shoreline and the offshore marker poles are designated as the restricted area.
- (c) **Swimming.** Swimming shall not be allowed outside any marked public swimming areas.
- (d) **No person shall operate a vessel within a marked public swimming area.**
- (e) **Skiing.** No skiing shall be permitted in the restricted area except to leave from within or return into that area. All vessels pulling skiers shall leave from within the restricted area on a course perpendicular to the nearest shoreline. Upon returning, all vessels pulling skiers shall reduce to no-wake speed when the skiers have entered the restricted area.
- (f) **Speed Limit.** Within the restricted area all vessels, except those engaged in skiing as regulated by Paragraph (e) of this Rule, shall be operated at a no-wake speed. Operation of a vessel on a course parallel to the shoreline is prohibited in the restricted area.
- (g) **Placement and Maintenance of Markers.** The Board of Commissioners of Columbus County, the Town of Lake Waccamaw, and State Parks Division shall be the designated agencies for placement and maintenance of markers implementing this Rule.

*History Note:* Authority G.S. 75A-3; 75A-15;  
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 Amended Eff. October 1, 2018.

**15A NCAC 10F .0310 DARE COUNTY**

(a) Regulated Areas. This Rule shall apply to the following waters in Dare County:

- (1) Manteo:
  - (A) the waters of Doughs Creek off Shallowbag Bay and the canals off Shallowbag Bay; and
  - (B) within 50 yards of the Bowsertown Boating Access Area on Croatan Sound at 35.89810 N, 75.67710 W.
- (2) Hatteras:
  - (A) the waters of Pamlico Sound otherwise known as Hatteras Harbor and Muddy Creek bounded on the north and south by the high-water mark, on the west by a straight line between channel markers number 20 and 17 at the entrance to Hatteras Harbor, and on the east by the mouth of Muddy Creek at Sandy Bay at a point at 35.22801 N, 75.68050 W; and
  - (B) Hatteras Ferry Terminal and United States Coast Guard basins ending at Coast Guard Beacon Number One in the Hatteras Channel.
- (3) Manns Harbor:
  - (A) Old Ferry Dock Road Canal, beginning at a point at 35.90654 N, 75.76916 W;
  - (B) within 50 yards of the Manns Harbor Boating Access Area on Croatan Sound at 35.91020 N, 75.77150 W; and
  - (C) within 50 yards of the Mashoes Boating Access Area on East Lake at 35.92820 N, 75.81470 W.
- (4) Nags Head:
  - (A) the canals of Old Nags Head Cove where the canal entrance meets Roanoke Sound beginning at a point at 35.94192 N, 75.62571 W; and
  - (B) the Roanoke Sound inlets at Pond Island on either side of W. Marina Drive extending north from U.S. Highway 64-264.
- (5) Wanchese:
  - (A) Wanchese Harbor otherwise known as Mill Landing Creek, beginning at its entrance from Roanoke Sound at a point at 35.84006 N, 75.61726 W; and
  - (B) the canal from its beginning where it connects with Roanoke Sound south of the dead-end road S.R. 1141 otherwise known as Thicket Lump Drive, extending northwest roughly parallel to S.R. 1141, S.R. 1142 otherwise known as The Lane, and S.R. 1143 otherwise known as Tink Tillet Road, then westward roughly parallel to N.C. Highway 345, and finally curving to the southwest roughly parallel to S.R. 1289 otherwise known as C B Daniels S.R. Road to its end.
- (6) Stumpy Point:
  - (A) Stumpy Point Canal shore to shore on Pamlico Sound, beginning 50 yards west of the Stumpy Point Boating Access Area, 321 Bayview Drive; and
  - (B) Stumpy Point Basin off Stumpy Point Bay, east of U.S. Highway 264 where it intersects Stumpy Point Bay at a point at 35.69591 N, 75.77264 W.
- (7) Rodanthe. Within 50 yards of the Rodanthe Boating Access Area in Roanoke Sound, 23170 Myrna Peters Road;
- (8) Town of Southern Shores. The canals and lagoons within the Town of Southern Shores north of U.S. Highway 158;
- (9) Colington Harbour. The waters in the canals of Colington Harbour Subdivision on Albemarle Sound;
- (10) Kitty Hawk. The waters in the canals of Kitty Hawk Landing Subdivision;
- (11) Washington Baum Bridge Boating Access Area. The waters within 150 yards north and south and 300 yards east of the Washington Baum Boating Access Area in Roanoke Sound, at 35.89380 N, 75.63710 W;
- (12) Kill Devil Hills:
  - (A) Baum Bay Harbor, beginning at a point at 36.00572 N, 75.68105 W; and
  - (B) the waters within 50 yards of the Avalon Beach Boating Access Area in Kitty Hawk Bay, 2025 Bay Drive.
- (13) Avon. The waters of Pamlico Sound shore to shore beginning at a line from a point on the east shore of Big Island at 35.36653 N, 75.50770 W westward to a point on the mainland at 35.36653

N, 75.50556 W, south to include the waters of the cove between North Albacore Lane and South Albacore Lane and the waters of Mill Creek, and ending east of a line from a point on the south shore of Big Island at 35.36500 N, 75.50820 W southward to a point on the mainland at 35.36358 N, 75.50826 W;

- (14) Jean Guite Creek. The waters of Jean Guite Creek from where it meets Kitty Hawk Bay at 36.04887 N, 75.72754 W, north to a line from a point on the east shore in Southern Shores at 36.10460 N, 75.74192 W to a point on the west shore in Martin's Point Subdivision at 36.10452 N, 75.73948 W;
- (15) Frisco. The waters of the marina canal and boat basin at Palmetto Shores Subdivision, shore to shore beginning at the canal's entrance at Pamlico Sound at a point at 35.25427 N, 75.60301 W; and
- (16) Cape Hatteras National Seashore. The waters of Motts Creek in Roanoke Sound, shore to shore at a line from a point on the north shore where the Oregon Inlet U.S. Coast Guard Station is located, to a point near the south shore of Motts Creek at 35.79270 N, 75.54903 W, then northward to include the waters at the Oregon Inlet Fishing Center and Marina, Oregon Inlet Public Boat Ramp, kayak launch area, and U. S. Coast Guard Station and Launch Area.

(b) Speed Limit. No person shall operate a vessel at greater than no-wake speed within the regulated areas described in Paragraph (a) of this Rule.

(c) Swimming Area. No person operating or responsible for the operation of a vessel shall permit it to enter the marked swimming area at Colington Island on the west shore, from a point where the canal enters the harbor at 36.01797 N, 75.72681 W, north 600 feet to a point at 36.01964 N, 75.72683 W and extending 300 feet west into Albemarle Sound.

(d) Placement of Markers. The following agencies shall place markers implementing this Rule, subject to the approval of the United States Coast Guard and the United States Army Corps of Engineers:

- (1) the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Manteo for the areas designated in Part (a)(1)(A) of this Rule;
- (2) the Board of Commissioners of Dare County for the areas designated in Paragraph (c), Subparagraphs (a)(2); (a)(4); (a)(5); (a)(9); (a)(13) through (15); and Parts (a)(3)(A); (a)(6)(B); and (a)(12)(A) of this Rule;
- (3) the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Southern Shores for the areas designated in Subparagraph (a)(8) of this Rule;
- (4) the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Kitty Hawk for the area designated in Subparagraph (a)(10) of this Rule;
- (5) the National Park Service shall place and maintain markers for the area designated in Subparagraph (a)(16) of this Rule; and
- (6) the North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission shall place and maintain markers for the areas designated in Subparagraphs (a)(7) and (a)(11); and Parts (a)(1)(B); (a)(3)(B) and (C); (a)(6)(A); and (a)(12)(B) of this Rule.

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*Temporary Amendment Eff. February 1, 1999; July 1, 1998;*

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*Amended Eff. June 1, 2024; September 1, 2023; October 1, 2022; October 1, 2018.*

#### **15A NCAC 10F .0311 GRANVILLE, VANCE AND WARREN COUNTIES**

(a) Regulated Areas. This Rule shall apply to the following waters of John H. Kerr Reservoir in Granville, Vance and Warren Counties:

- (1) Kimball Point, Warren County - Within 50 yards of the shoreline in the northernmost cove of the Kimball Point Recreation Area located at the western end of SR 1204, from the northern end of the cove at 36.54362 N, 78.31753 W, to the southern end of the cove at 36.53984 N, 78.31371 W;
- (2) Camp Kerr Lake, Vance County - The waters of the cove where the Camp Kerr Lake boat ramp is located, shore to shore beginning at a line from a point on the eastern shore at the mouth of the

- cove at 36.440345 N, 78.34970 W to a point on the northwest shore of the cove at 36.44167 N, 78.35129 W;
- (3) Mill Creek, Vance County - The waters of Mill Creek shore to shore from its headwaters to where it intersects the North Carolina - Virginia state boundary at a line from a point on the east side of the creek at 36.54311 N, 78.39514 W; to a point on the west side of the creek at 36.54309 N, 78.39626 W;
  - (4) Flat Creek at N.C. Highway 39 bridge, Vance County - Within 50 yards east and west of the N.C. Highway 39 bridge; and
  - (5) Satterwhite Point State Recreation Area, Vance County, including the waters in the vicinity of Satterwhite Point Marina docks at the end Satterwhite Point Marina Road, and the waters of the marked swimming area in the cove west of the end of SR 1319 otherwise known as Satterwhite Point Road, beginning at a line at the mouth of the cove from a point on the north shore at 36.44572 N, 78.37356 W, to a point on the south shore at 36.44442 N, 78.37359 W.
- (b) Speed Limit Near Ramps. No person shall operate a vessel at greater than no-wake speed within 50 yards of any concrete boat launching ramp located on the reservoir.
- (c) Speed Limit in Mooring Areas. No person shall operate a vessel at greater than no-wake speed while within a designated mooring area established by or with the approval of the US Army Corps of Engineers on the waters of the reservoir.
- (d) Speed Limit. No person shall operate a vessel at greater than no-wake speed within any regulated area of the reservoir described in Paragraph (a) of this Rule.
- (e) Swimming Areas. No person operating or responsible for the operation of a vessel shall permit it to enter a designated swimming area established by or with the approval of the US Army Corps of Engineers on the waters of the reservoir.
- (f) Placement of Markers. Each of the Boards of Commissioners of the above-named counties shall be the designated agency for placement of markers implementing this Rule for regulated areas within their territorial jurisdiction, subject to the approval of the US Army Corps of Engineers.

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 Amended Eff. May 1, 2013; May 1, 2005; April 1, 1999; July 1, 1998;  
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#### **15A NCAC 10F .0312 HENDERSON COUNTY**

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 Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. December 6, 2016;  
 Repealed Eff. June 1, 2022.

#### **15A NCAC 10F .0313 HYDE COUNTY**

- (a) Regulated Areas. This Rule shall apply to the following waters in Hyde County:
- (1) Swan Quarter Canal near the Town of Swan Quarter beginning at its entrance at point at 35.40215 N, 76.34033 W in Swanquarter Bay and extending the entire length of the canal;
  - (2) Carawan Canal near the Town of Swan Quarter beginning at its entrance at a point at 35.39758 N, 76.33312 W in Swanquarter Bay and extending the entire length of the canal;
  - (3) the waters within 50 yards of all public boat launching areas providing access to Pamlico Sound;
  - (4) the portion of Far Creek in the Town of Engelhard shore to shore, beginning at a point at 35.51051 N, 75.98693 W and ending at the Roper Lane bridge at 35.50869 N, 76.00229 W;
  - (5) Fodrey Canal. the portion of Fodrey Canal shore to shore, beginning in Swanquarter Bay at a point at 35.40345 N, 76.34175 W and extending inland 300 yards ending at a point at 35.40469 N, 76.33944 W;

- (6) Silver Lake in Ocracoke, harbor-wide;
- (7) the entire waters of the Hydeland Canal beginning at the Hydeland Canal Access Area at 35.42131 N, 76.20915 W and ending at the end of SR 1122 at 35.40873 N, 76.21185 W;
- (8) the waters of Gray Ditch beginning north of the SR 1110 bridge at the intersection of Great Ditch Road and Nebraska Road, at 35.45926 N, 76.07527 W and ending at 35.45027 N, 76.06862 W; and
- (9) the portion of Outfall Canal, otherwise known as Main Canal off of Mattamuskeet Lake in the vicinity of Mattamuskeet Lodge, beginning in East Main Canal at 35.45226 N, 76.17359 W, and extending to a point in West Main Canal at 35.45174 N, 76.18132 W, and that portion of Central Canal beginning at its intersection with Outfall Canal and extending northward to 35.45687 N, 76.1751 W.

(b) **Speed Limit.** No person shall operate a vessel at greater than no-wake speed on the regulated areas described in Paragraph (a) of this Rule.

(c) **Placement of Markers.** The Board of Commissioners of Hyde County shall be the designated agency for placement of the markers implementing this Rule, subject to the approval of the United States Coast Guard and the United States Army Corps of Engineers.

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Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. December 6, 2016;  
Amended Eff. October 1, 2018.*

#### **15A NCAC 10F .0314 NEW HANOVER COUNTY**

(a) **Regulated Areas.** This Rule applies to the following waters in New Hanover County:

- (1) the area bounded on the north by the U.S. Highway 74-76 bridge crossing the Intracoastal Waterway, on the south by a line shore to shore intersecting Intracoastal Waterway channel marker number 127, on the west by the shore of Wrightsville Sound, and on the east by a line perpendicular to U.S. Highway 74-76 and intersecting channel marker number 25 in Motts Channel;
- (2) the area of Motts Channel between channel marker number 25 at the Intracoastal Waterway on the west and channel marker number 16 at the entrance from Banks Channel on the east;
- (3) Wilmington. The waters shore to shore in that portion of Bradley Creek in the City of Wilmington between the U.S. Highway 76 bridge crossing Bradley Creek and a point at 34.20794 N, 77.82158 W, near the mouth of Bradley Creek;
- (4) Lee's Cut from its western intersection with the Intracoastal Waterway at 34.21979 N, 77.80965 W, to its eastern intersection with Banks Channel at 34.21906 N, 77.79645 W;
- (5) Town of Wrightsville Beach. The unnamed channel lying between the shore west of Bahama Drive in the Town of Wrightsville Beach and an unnamed island located approximately 500 feet northeast of the U.S. Highway 74 bridge over Banks Channel; and
- (6) Castle Hayne. The waters of the Northeast Cape Fear River between the U.S. Highway 117 bridge and the railroad trestle 60 yards east of the Castle Hayne Boating Access Area, 6418 Orange Street, Castle Hayne.

(b) **Speed Limit.** No person shall operate a vessel at greater than no-wake speed within any of the regulated areas described in Paragraph (a) of this Rule.

(c) **Placement of Markers.** The Board of Commissioners of New Hanover County shall place the no-wake markers implementing Subparagraphs (a)(1), (a)(2), (a)(3), (a)(4), and (a)(5) of this Rule, subject to the approval of the United States Coast Guard and the United States Army Corps of Engineers.

(d) **Placement and Maintenance of Markers.** The Wildlife Resources Commission shall place and maintain markers for the area designated in Subparagraph (a)(6) of this Rule, subject to the approval of the United States Coast Guard and the United States Army Corps of Engineers.

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*Amended Eff. July 1, 2023; February 1, 2023; October 1, 2018; April 1, 2017;*  
*Amended Eff. March 24, 2025.*

**15A NCAC 10F .0315 POLK COUNTY**

- (a) Regulated Area. This Rule shall apply to Lake Adger in the cove south of the Lake Adger Boating Access Area, west of a line from a point on the north shore at 35.33578 N, 82.22780 W to a point on the south shore at 35.33422 N, 82.22774 W.
- (b) Speed Limit. No person shall operate a vessel at greater than no-wake speed within the area described in Paragraph (a) of this Rule.
- (c) Placement of Markers. The Board of Commissioners of Polk County shall be the designated agency for placement of markers implementing this Rule.

*History Note: Authority G.S. 75A-3; 75A-15;*  
*Eff. February 1, 1976;*  
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*Amended Eff. October 1, 2018.*

**15A NCAC 10F .0316 FORSYTH, ROCKINGHAM, AND STOKES COUNTIES**

- (a) Regulated Areas. This Rule shall apply to the following waters in Forsyth, Rockingham, and Stokes counties:
- (1) Belews Lake within 50 yards of a public boat launching ramp on the lake, and within 50 yards of a bridge crossing on the lake;
  - (2) Belews Lake at Humphrey's Ridge Marina and Grill at 473-499 Humphrey Ridge Drive in Stokesdale, east of a line from a point on the north shore at 36.27962 N, 80.03507 W to a point on the south shore at 36.27804 N, 80.03565 W; and
  - (3) Belews Lake at Carolina Marina at 548 Shelton Road in Stokesdale, beginning at a line from a point on the shore south of the fuel dock at 36.30303 N, 80.01403 W, to a point 50 yards west from the shore into the channel, then to the northwest 50 yards west of the shore of the marina at 36.30394 N, 80.01522 W, then to a point on the north shore of the cove at 36.30521 N, 80.01416 W, to include the waters east of the line at the mouth of the cove, where the boat ramp, Dry Stack, and outdoor boat storage facilities are located.
- (b) Speed Limit. No person shall operate a vessel at greater than no-wake speed within the regulated areas identified in Paragraph (a) of this Rule.
- (c) Placement and Maintenance of Markers. The Boards of Commissioners of Forsyth County, Rockingham County and Stokes County shall place and maintain markers implementing this Rule.

*History Note: Authority G.S. 75A-3; 75A-15;*  
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*Amended Eff. February 1, 2024; June 1, 2023; October 1, 2018.*

**15A NCAC 10F .0317 STANLY COUNTY**

- (a) Regulated Areas. This Rule shall apply to the following waters described as follows:
- (1) Badin Lake.
    - (A) within 50 yards northeast and southwest of the section of the railroad trestle designed for vessel traffic, northwest of the Old Whitney Boating Access Area near the Stanly-Montgomery County line;
    - (B) Old Whitney Boating Access Area on Old Whitney Road in New London; and
    - (C) Badin Lake Boat Ramp, 293 NC Highway 740 in Badin.
  - (2) Lake Tillery.
    - (A) Turner Beach Cove shore to shore, south of a point at 35.22529 N, 80.09318 W;

- (B) the waters within 50 yards of the fuel docks at the Boathouse and Marina at 712 Berry Hill Drive in Norwood;
  - (C) the waters within 50 yards of the shoreline at Morrow Mountain State Park, from a point north of the Morrow Mountain Boathouse at a point at 35.38256 N, 80.06221 W, to a point south of the Morrow Mountain Boat Launch at 35.37919 N, 80.06114 W;
  - (D) Norwood Boating Access Area, 307-A Lakeshore Drive in Norwood; and
  - (E) Stony Mountain Boating Access Area, 22682-A Lake Tillery Road in Albemarle.
- (3) Tuckertown Reservoir, within 50 yards of the NC Highway 49 Boat Ramp at 36824 NC Highway 49 in New London.
- (b) **Swimming Areas.** No person operating or responsible for the operation of a vessel shall permit it to enter the waters of the Badin Swim Area.
- (c) **Speed Limit.** No person shall operate a vessel at greater than no-wake speed within any of the regulated area described in Paragraph (a) of this Rule.
- (d) **Placement of Markers.**
- (1) The North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission shall be the designated agency for placement and maintenance of the markers implementing Parts (a)(1)(A), (B), (C), (a)(2)(D), (E), and Subparagraph (a)(3) of this Rule.
  - (2) The Board of Commissioners of Stanly County shall be the designated agency for placement of markers implementing Parts (a)(2)(A), (B) and Paragraph (b) of this Rule.
  - (3) Morrow Mountain State Park shall be the designated agency for placement of markers implementing Part (a)(2)(C) of this Rule.

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#### **15A NCAC 10F .0318 WARREN COUNTY**

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 Amended Eff. May 1, 2004 (this amendment replaces the amendment approved by RRC on February 20, 2003);  
 Amended Eff. May 1, 2013;  
 Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. December 6, 2016;  
 Amended Eff. October 1, 2018;  
 Repealed Eff. June 1, 2022.

#### **15A NCAC 10F .0319 WASHINGTON COUNTY**

- (a) **Regulated Areas.** This Rule shall apply to the following waters and portions of waters:
- (1) the portion of Mackey's Creek, otherwise known as Kendrick Creek, shore to shore, from a point at 35.93253 N, 76.60875 W to a point at 35.93401 N, 76.60637 W; and
  - (2) the portion of Conaby Creek shore to shore, from a point east of the N.C. 45 Bridge at 35.89613 N, 76.70603 W, east northeast to a point at 35.89757 N, 76.70413 W.

(b) Speed Limit. No person shall operate a vessel at greater than no-wake speed in the regulated area described in Paragraph (a) of this Rule.

(c) Placement of Markers. The Board of Commissioners of Washington County shall be the designated agency for placement of the markers implementing this Rule, subject to the approval of the United States Coast Guard and the United States Army Corps of Engineers.

*History Note: Authority G.S. 75A-3; 75A-15;  
Eff. February 1, 1976;  
Amended Eff. February 1, 1995;  
Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. December 6, 2016;  
Amended Eff. October 1, 2018.*

#### **15A NCAC 10F .0320 ONSLOW COUNTY**

(a) Regulated Areas. This Rule shall apply to the following waters in Onslow County:

- (1) the canals in Old Settlers Beach subdivision in the Town of Surf City, east of the Onslow-Pender County line, and the waters of the approach canal from the Intracoastal Waterway between markers 53 and 57, extending south-southwest to the Onslow-Pender County line;
- (2) New River in the City of Jacksonville shore to shore, north from a line at a point on the east shore at 34.74356 N, 77.43775 W to a point on the west shore at 34.74358 N, 77.43924 W; and south from a line at a point on the east shore at 34.74695 N, 77.43719 W, to a point on the west shore at 34.74562 N, 77.44114 W; and the waters shore to shore north of the SR 1402 bridge otherwise known as the Old Bridge Street bridge and south of the U.S. Highway 17 Business bridge otherwise known as Marine Boulevard bridge; and within 50 yards of the shoreline at the Marina Café and Marina, from the U.S. Highway 17 Business bridge otherwise known as Marine Boulevard bridge to a point on the west shore at 34.75461 N, 77.43819 W;
- (3) Queens Creek near the boating access area at the north end of SR 1688, otherwise known as Sussex Lane in Hubert, shore to shore west of a line from a point on the south shore at 34.69881 N, 77.18884 W to a point on the north shore at 34.69949 N, 77.18880 W and south-southeast of a line from a point on the west shore at 34.70103 N, 77.19287 W to a point on the east shore at 34.70101 N, 77.19216 W; and
- (4) Intracoastal Waterway at Hammocks Beach State Park in Swansboro, from a line at a point on the north shore west of the passenger ferry dock at 34.66967 N, 77.14454 W, south to a point on an unnamed island at 34.66823 N, 77.14459 W, eastward 520 yards to a line from a point on the north shore east of the public boat ramp and maintenance area at 34.67023 N, 77.13934 W, south to a point on an unnamed island at 34.66916 N, 77.13962 W.

(b) Speed Limit. No person shall operate a motorboat at greater than no-wake speed within the regulated areas described in Paragraph (a) of this Rule.

(c) Placement of Markers. The Board of Commissioners of Onslow County shall be the designated agency for placement of the markers implementing this Rule, subject to the approval of the United States Coast Guard and the United States Army Corps of Engineers.

*History Note: Authority G.S. 75A-3; 75A-15;  
Eff. May 1, 1976;  
Amended Eff. July 1, 1993; June 1, 1989; October 1, 1984; May 1, 1982;  
Readopted Eff. October 1, 2018;  
Amended Eff. October 1, 2019.*

#### **15A NCAC 10F .0321 PENDER COUNTY**

(a) Regulated Areas. This Rule applies to the following waters in Pender County:

- (1) Hampstead:
  - (A) the canal adjoining Olde Point Subdivision adjacent to the Intracoastal Waterway (ICW) near 2019 Kings Landing Road; and
  - (B) the waters within 50 yards of the Hampstead Boating Access Area adjacent to the ICW at 613 Lewis Road.
- (2) Town of Topsail Beach:



- (A) the First Finger Canal northeast of Godwin Avenue adjacent to Banks Channel; and
    - (B) the waters on the eastern side of Banks Channel within 100 yards of the shoreline beginning 155 yards west of Bush's Marina, extending northeast ending 75 yards from the shoreline perpendicular to Haywood Avenue.
  - (3) Castle Hayne. The waters of the Northeast Cape Fear River between the U.S. Highway 117 bridge and the railroad trestle 60 yards east of the Castle Hayne Boating Access Area.
  - (4) Town of Surf City:
    - (A) the waters of the channel in Topsail Sound known as Deep Creek, from near its mouth at a point at 34.43208 N, 77.54808 W to its end west of Goldsboro Avenue;
    - (B) the waters of Topsail Sound and Topsail Creek northeast of the channel setback of the ICW, beginning north of the channel setback east of the N.C. Highway 210 Surf City Bridge at a point at 34.42975 N, 77.55213 W, then 550 yards northeastward to a line from the point north of the channel setback at 34.43294 N, 77.54837 W to a point on the island at 34.43327 N, 77.54873 W, then northward including waters of Topsail Sound and a portion known as Topsail Creek to a line from a point on the town shoreline at 34.43425 N, 77.55069 W, to a point on the island at 34.43378 N, 77.55017 W; and
    - (C) the waters of Topsail Sound southeast of the channel setback of the ICW, beginning south of the channel setback and east of the N.C. Highway 210 Surf City Bridge at a point at 34.42902 N, 77.55200 W including the waters where the Surf City Boating Access Area and Soundside Park are located at 517 Roland Avenue, then 480 yards northeastward to a point south of the channel setback at 34.43167 N, 77.54848 W, adjacent to the mouth of Deep Creek.
  - (5) Burgaw:
    - (A) the waters within 50 yards of the Shelter Creek Boating Access Area on Shelter Creek, at 12380 Shaw Highway.
    - (B) the waters within 50 yards of the Sawpit Landing Boating Access Area on the Northeast Cape Fear River, at 527 Whitestocking Road Extension; and
    - (C) the waters within 50 yards of the Holly Shelter Boating Access Area on the Northeast Cape Fear River, at 7271 Shaw Highway.
- (b) Speed Limit. No person shall operate a vessel at greater than no-wake speed within the regulated areas described in Paragraph (a) of this Rule.
- (c) Placement of Markers. The following agencies shall place markers implementing this Rule, subject to the approval of the United States Coast Guard and the United States Army Corps of Engineers:
- (1) the Board of Commissioners of Pender County for the regulated areas designated in Part (a)(1)(A) and (a)(2)(A) of this Rule; and
  - (2) the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Topsail Beach for the regulated area designated in Part (a)(2)(B) of this Rule.
- (d) Placement and Maintenance of Markers. The following agencies shall place and maintain markers implementing this Rule, subject to the approval of the United States Coast Guard and the United States Army Corps of Engineers:
- (1) the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Surf City for the markers for the regulated areas designated in Parts (a)(4)(A), (B), and (C) of this Rule; and
  - (2) the North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission for the markers for the regulated areas designated in Parts (a)(1)(B), and (a)(5)(A), (B) and (C) of this Rule.

*History Note: Authority G.S. 75A-3; 75A-15;*  
*Eff. May 1, 1976;*  
*Amended Eff. July 1, 1993; December 1, 1991; May 1, 1989; October 1, 1985;*  
*Temporary Amendment Eff. April 1, 1999;*  
*Amended Eff. June 1, 2017; July 1, 2000; October 1, 2024*  
*Readopted Eff. October 1, 2018;*  
*Amended Eff. October 1, 2024.*

#### **15A NCAC 10F .0322 UNION COUNTY**

- (a) Regulated Area. This Rule shall apply to Cane Creek Lake in Union County.

- (b) Speed Limit Near Ramps. No person shall operate a vessel at greater than no-wake speed within 50 yards of any public boat launching ramp or within 50 yards of the boat ramp at the Cane Creek Campground, at a point at 34.83485 N, 80.68605 W.
- (c) Speed Limit in Congested Area. No person shall operate a vessel at greater than no-wake speed within 75 yards of the waters that separate Cane Creek Park from Cane Creek Campground, shore to shore from at a point at 34.83838 N, 80.68174 W, northwest to a point at 34.83875 N, 80.68233 W.
- (d) Swimming Areas. No person operating or responsible for the operation of a vessel shall permit it to enter any marked public swimming area on the regulated area described in Paragraph (a) of this Rule.
- (e) Placement of Markers. The Board of Commissioners of Union County shall be the designated agency for placement of markers implementing this Rule.

*History Note: Authority G.S. 75A-3; 75A-15;  
Eff. May 1, 1976;  
Amended Eff. March 1, 1987; March 25, 1978;  
Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. December 6, 2016;  
Amended Eff. October 1, 2018.*

### **15A NCAC 10F .0323 BURKE COUNTY**

(a) Regulated Areas. This Rule applies to the following waters in Burke County:

- (1) Lake Hickory.
- (2) Lake James at the following locations:
  - (A) Holiday Shores Subdivision;
  - (B) Lake James Campground;
  - (C) Laurel Pointe Subdivision;
  - (D) the waters of Boyd Moore Cove shore to shore, north of a line from a point on the northwest shore at 35.76667 N, 81.82337 W to a point on the southeast shore at 35.76558 N, 81.82245 W;
  - (E) East Shores development;
  - (F) Mallard Cove shore to shore, southwest of a point at 35.74437 N, 81.87053 W;
  - (G) the portion of Lake James shore to shore, beginning 385 yards northeast of the NC Highway 126 bridge at a line from a point on the north shore at 35.74652 N, 81.88231 W to a point on the south shore at 35.74440 N, 81.88017 W, and ending at a line 550 yards southwest of the NC Highway 126 bridge and 50 yards south of the Canal Bridge Boating Access Area dock from a point on the northwest shore at 35.74163 N, 81.88943 W to a point on the southeast shore at 35.73869 N, 81.88652 W;
  - (H) the waters within 50 yards of the end of the South Pointe Subdivision peninsula from a point east of the peninsula at 35.76399 N, 81.83768 W, and surrounding the peninsula from a point east of the peninsula at 35.76399 N, 81.83768 W, and surrounding the peninsula to a point west of the peninsula at 35.76307 N, 81.83648 W;
  - (I) the waters of Sherman's Hollow Cove shore to shore, and contiguous with those waters beginning at a point on the west shore of the mouth of Sherman's Hollow Cove at 35.76423 N, 81.82748 W, extending northeast within 50 yards of Linville Point to a point on the northeast shore of Linville Point at 35.76596 N, 81.82432 W; and
  - (J) the waters of Mills Creek at Lake James State Park, shore to shore from a point 50 yards northwest of the Cove bridge at 35.76469 N, 81.87703 W to a point 50 yards southeast of the bridge at 35.76406 N, 81.87637 W.
- (3) Lake Rhodhiss.

- (b) Speed Limit. No person shall operate a vessel at greater than no-wake speed within the regulated areas described in Paragraph (a) of this rule.
- (c) Speed Limit in Mooring Areas. No person shall operate a vessel at greater than no-wake speed while within a marked mooring area on the regulated areas described in Paragraph (a) of this Rule.
- (d) Swimming Area. No person operating or responsible for the operation of a vessel shall permit it to enter the waters of Paddy's Creek Swim Area at Lake James State Park Road in Nebo.
- (e) Placement of Markers. The following agencies shall be responsible for placement of the markers implementing this Rule, subject to the approval of the United States Coast Guard and the United States Army Corps of Engineers:

- (1) the Board of Commissioners of Burke County, for the regulated areas designated in Parts (a)(2)(A) through (I) of this Rule; and
- (2) Lake James State Park for the regulated areas designated in Part (a)(2)(J) and Paragraph (d) of this Rule.

*History Note: Authority G.S. 75A-3; 75A-15;*  
*Eff. July 1, 1976;*  
*Amended Eff. December 1, 1995; December 1, 1994; December 1, 1992; March 1, 1992;*  
*Temporary Amendment Eff. April 1, 1999;*  
*Amended Eff. July 1, 2000;*  
*Temporary Amendment Eff. August 15, 2001;*  
*Amended Eff. July 1, 2009; May 1, 2009; August 1, 2002;*  
*Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. December 6, 2016;*  
*Amended Eff. November 1, 2017;*  
*Emergency Amendment Eff. November 2, 2020;*  
*Temporary Amendment Eff. December 30, 2020; Temporary Amendment Expired September 26, 2021;*  
*Amended Eff. June 1, 2022; February 1, 2021.*

#### **15A NCAC 10F .0324 DAVIDSON COUNTY**

(a) Regulated Areas. This Rule shall apply to those portions of High Rock Lake, Tuckertown Lake, and Badin Lake that lie within the boundaries of Davidson County.

(b) Speed Limit. No person shall operate a vessel at greater than no-wake speed:

- (1) within 50 yards of any marked public boat launching ramp, bridge, dock, marina, boat storage structure, boat service area or pier while on the waters of High Rock Lake, Tuckertown Lake, and Badin Lake in Davidson County;
- (2) High Rock Shores Drive Cove on High Rock Lake in Hi-Roc Shores Subdivision in Silver Hill Township, shore to shore northeast of a line from a point on the east shore at 35.67720 N, 80.24526 W to a point on the west shore at 35.67663 N, 80.24437 W;
- (3) Flat Swamp Creek on High Rock Lake shore to shore, from a point 50 yards north of the docks at Camp Walter Johnson at 35.67130 N, 80.16592 W to a point 100 yards south of the docks at 35.66993 N, 80.16582 W;
- (4) the cove in Oakwood Acres on Abbotts Creek Cove on High Rock Lake shore to shore, west of a line from a point on the south shore at 35.64704 N, 80.24787 W to a point on the north shore at 35.64809 N, 80.24870 W; and
- (5) Beaverdam Creek Cove on Badin Lake, shore to shore north of a line from a point on the east shore at 35.50714 N, 80.09994 W to a point on the west shore at 35.50715 N, 80.10086 W.

(c) Speed Limit in Mooring Areas. No person shall operate a vessel at greater than no-wake speed while within a marked mooring area on the waters of High Rock Lake, Tuckertown Lake, and Badin Lake in Davidson County.

(d) Swimming Areas. No person operating or responsible for the operation of a vessel shall permit it to enter any marked public swimming area on the waters of High Rock Lake, Tuckertown Lake, and Badin Lake in Davidson County.

(e) Placement of Markers. The Board of Commissioners of Davidson County shall be the designated agency for placement of the markers implementing this Rule.

*History Note: Authority G.S. 75A-3; 75A-15;*  
*Eff. July 1, 1976;*  
*Amended Eff. January 1, 2012; May 1, 2004; December 1, 1995; December 1, 1991; August 1, 1991; September 1, 1982;*  
*Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. December 6, 2016;*  
*Amended Eff. October 1, 2018.*

#### **15A NCAC 10F .0325 CHOWAN COUNTY**

(a) Regulated Areas. This Rule shall apply to the following waters in Chowan County:

- (1) the waters contained within the entrance canals and docking areas of Edenton Marina and Pembroke Marina;
  - (2) Pembroke Creek in Edenton, from a line 50 yards north of the W. Queen Street bridge on SR 1204 shore to shore, from a point on the east shore at 36.05861 N, 76.62584 W, to a point on the west shore at 36.051813 N, 76.62735 W, to a line 200 yards southeast of the bridge, shore to shore from a point on the east shore at 36.05739 N, 76.62382 W to a point on the west shore at 36.05626 N, 76.62569 W;
  - (3) the boat basin and all canals within Cape Colony Subdivision in Edenton; and
  - (4) the swimming area located in Albemarle Sound adjacent to the Cape Colony Subdivision Recreation Area.
- (b) **Speed Limit.** No person shall operate any vessel at greater than no-wake speed within the regulated areas described in Subparagraphs (a)(1), (2), and (3) of this Rule.
- (c) **Swimming Area.** No person operating or responsible for the operation of any vessel, surfboard, or water skis shall permit it to enter the swimming area described in Subparagraph (a)(4) of this Rule.
- (d) **Placement of Markers.** The Board of Commissioners of Chowan County shall be the designated agency for placement of the markers implementing this Rule, subject to the approval of the United States Coast Guard and the United States Army Corps of Engineers.

*History Note: Authority G.S. 75A-3; 75A-15;  
 Eff. May 1, 1977;  
 Amended Eff. May 1, 2013; June 1, 1983;  
 Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. December 6, 2016;  
 Amended Eff. November 1, 2018.*

#### **15A NCAC 10F .0326 PAMLICO COUNTY**

- (a) **Regulated Areas.** This Rule shall apply to the following waters or portions of waters in Pamlico County:
- (1) Silverthorn Bay off Burton Creek in Merritt, north of a line at a point on the east shore at 35.09531 N, 76.60791 W to a point on the west shore at 35.09572 N, 76.60883 W.
  - (2) Alligator Gut Basin and its access channel extending 30 yards beyond the outermost rock jetties in Neuse River, east of Neuse River Drive, Minnesott Beach.
  - (3) Within 50 yards of Lee's Landing Boating Access Area on Upper Broad Creek, at 3337 Lee Landing Road, Reelsboro.
  - (4) Within 50 yards of the Vandemere Waterfront Park and Boat Ramp's eastern end at the concrete walkway, at 86 Griffin Road, Vandemere.
  - (5) Within 50 yards of the Dawson Creek Boating Access Area on Dawson Creek, at 303 Creek Place Road, Oriental.
  - (6) Within 50 yards of the Oriental Boating Access Area on Smith Creek, at 100 Midyette Street, Oriental.
- (b) **Speed Limit.** No person shall operate a vessel at greater than no-wake speed in the regulated areas described in Paragraph (a) of this Rule.
- (c) **Placement of Markers.** The following agencies shall be the designated agencies for placement of the markers implementing this Rule, subject to the approval of the United States Coast Guard and the United States Army Corps of Engineers:
- (1) The Board of Commissioners of Pamlico County for the regulated areas designated in Subparagraphs (a)(1) and (2) of this Rule; and
  - (2) The North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission for the regulated areas designated in Subparagraphs (a)(3) through (6) of this Rule.

*History Note: Authority G.S. 75A-3; 75A-15;  
 Eff. May 1, 1977;  
 Amended Eff. December 1, 1985; November 1, 1977;  
 Temporary Amendment Eff. March 15, 2003;  
 Temporary Amendment Expired October 12, 2003;  
 Amended Eff. May 1, 2014; May 1, 2004;*

*Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. December 6, 2016;  
Amended Eff. February 1, 2023; October 1, 2018.*

**15A NCAC 10F .0327 MONTGOMERY COUNTY**

(a) Regulated Areas. This Rule shall apply to the waters and portions of waters described as follows:

(1) Badin Lake:

- (A) Lake Forest Drive Cove shore to shore, west of a point 50 yards east of the fueling site at the marina at 35.48739 N, 80.10918 W;
- (B) Garr Creek shore to shore, north of a line beginning at a point on the east shore at 35.47952 N, 80.13633 W to a point on the west shore at 35.47946 N, 80.13932 W;
- (C) the channel between Beyer's Island and the mainland, shore to shore beginning at a line from a point on Beyer's Island at 35.49102 N, 80.10221 W to a point on the mainland at 35.49230 N, 80.10241 W, ending at a line westward, from a point on Beyer's Island at 35.48988 N, 80.10573 W to a point on the mainland at 35.49077 N, 80.10702 W;
- (D) within 50 yards of the fueling station at the Old North State Marina at the entrance to a cove within the Uwharrie Point community at 139 Marina Lane in New London;
- (E) within 50 yards of the Circle Drive Boating Access Area, at 724 Shoreline Drive in New London;
- (F) within 50 yards of Lakemont Boating Access Area, at 241 Lakemont Road in New London; and
- (G) within 50 yards of the Cove Boat Ramp at 400 Cove Road in New London.

(2) Lake Tillery:

- (A) the waters within 50 yards of the boat ramp in the south end of Woodrun Cove at 35.33113 N, 80.06277 W;
- (B) Carolina Forest Cove shore to shore and the waters within 50 yards of the boat ramps and boat slips at the end of Arroyo Drive in Carolina Forest Community, from a point on the south shore at 35.36276 N, 80.05386 W, northeast to a point on the north shore at 35.36405 N, 80.05304 W;
- (C) Lilly's Bridge Boating Access Area shore to shore, from line 25 feet north of the SR 1110 bridge otherwise known as Lillys Bridge Road at a point on the east shore at 35.23223 N, 80.06166 W, to a point on the west shore at 35.23289 N, 80.06318 W, to a line 200 feet southwest of the Lilly's Bridge Boating Access Area, from a point on the east shore at 35.23067 N; 80.06262 W, to a point on the west shore at 35.23156 N; 80.06437 W; and
- (D) within 50 yards of Swift Island Boating Access Area at 4917 NC Highway 24/27 in Mount Gilead.

(3) Tuckertown Reservoir. Pee Dee River, within 50 yards of the Clarks Creek Boating Access Area at 177 Tillery Dam Road in Mount Gilead.

(b) Speed Limit. No person shall operate a vessel at greater than no-wake speed within any regulated area described in Paragraph (a) of this Rule.

(c) Swimming Area. No person operating or responsible for the operation of a vessel shall permit it to enter the marked swimming area on Badin Lake at the Pinehaven Village beach area at 370 Pinehaven Drive in New London, within 50 feet of the shoreline between points at 35.49927 N, 80.11428 W; and 35.49934 N, 80.11437 W.

(d) Placement of Markers. The following agencies shall be responsible for placement or placement and maintenance of the markers implementing this Rule, subject to the approval of the United States Coast Guard and United States Army Corps of Engineers:

- (1) the Board of Commissioners of Montgomery County for placement of the markers implementing Parts (a)(1)(A), (B), (C), (D), and (a)(2)(A), and (B) of this Rule;
- (2) the North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission for placement and maintenance of the markers implementing Parts (a)(1)(E), (F), (a)(2)(C), (D), and Subparagraph (a)(3) of this Rule;
- (3) the Board of Commissioners of Montgomery County shall be the designated agency for placement and maintenance of the ropes and markers implementing Paragraph (c) of this Rule; and
- (4) the U.S. Forest Service for placement and maintenance of the markers implementing Part (a)(1)(G) of this Rule.

*History Note: Authority G.S. 75A-3; 75A-15;*

*Eff. November 1, 1977;*  
*Amended Eff. December 1, 1990; May 1, 1989; March 25, 1978;*  
*Temporary Amendment Eff. June 1, 1998;*  
*Amended Eff. April 1, 1999; July 1, 1998;*  
*Temporary Amendment Eff. July 1, 2002;*  
*Amended Eff. August 1, 2006; June 1, 2005; April 1, 2003;*  
*Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. December 6, 2016;*  
*Amended Eff. October 1, 2018; April 1, 2017;*  
*Emergency Amendment Eff. July 30, 2019;*  
*Temporary Amendment Eff. October 1, 2019;*  
*Amended Eff. May 1, 2020;*  
*Temporary Amendment Eff. June 1, 2020;*  
*Temporary Amendment Expired March 12, 2021;*  
*Amended Eff. February 1, 2023; June 1, 2022; October 1, 2021.*

**15A NCAC 10F .0328 MARTIN COUNTY**

- (a) Regulated Area. This Rule shall apply to those waters of Gardner's Creek located in Martin County.
- (b) Speed Limit. No person shall operate a vessel at greater than no-wake speed within 50 yards of any public boat launching ramp while on the waters of the regulated area designated in Paragraph (a) of this Rule.
- (c) Placement of Markers. The Board of Commissioners of Martin County shall be the designated agency for placement of the markers implementing this Rule, subject to the approval of the United States Coast Guard and the United States Army Corps of Engineers.

*History Note: Authority G.S. 75A-3; 75A-15;*  
*Eff. June 18, 1978;*  
*Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. December 6, 2016;*  
*Amended Eff. October 1, 2018.*

**15A NCAC 10F .0329 ROWAN COUNTY**

- (a) Regulated Areas. This Rule shall apply to the portions of High Rock Lake and Tuckertown Lake within Rowan County.
- (b) Speed Limit Near Ramps. No person shall operate a vessel at greater than no-wake speed within 50 yards of any public boat launching ramp while on the waters of the regulated areas described in Paragraph (a) of this Rule.
- (c) Speed Limit in Mooring Areas. No person shall operate a vessel at greater than no-wake speed while within a marked mooring area on the regulated areas described in Paragraph (a) of this Rule.
- (d) Speed Limit in Specific Zones. No person shall operate a vessel at greater than no-wake speed in the following locations on the regulated areas described in Paragraph (a) of this Rule:
  - (1) the waters within 50 yards of the Tamarac Shores Marina on Second Creek on High Rock Lake extending northeast of the marina 50 yards from the shoreline to a point at 35.61097 N, 60.30647 W, and including the waters of the cove north of the marina;
  - (2) the cove on the north side of Second Creek east of SR 2138 otherwise known as Poole Road on High Rock Lake, shore to shore, north of a line from a point on the east shore at 35.60800 N, 80.31985 W to a point on the west shore at 35.60741 N, 80.32106 W;
  - (3) the waters within 50 yards southeast and 50 yards northwest of the I-85 bridge over High Rock Lake, from a point southeast of the bridge at 35.71930 N, 80.38873 W, to a point northwest of the bridge at 35.72012 N, 80.3990 W;
  - (4) the waters within 50 yards southeast and 50 yards northwest of the SR 2168 bridge otherwise known as the Goodman Lake Road bridge at Crane Creek on High Rock Lake, from a point southeast of the bridge at 35.55354 N, 80.35344 W, to a point northwest of the bridge at 35.66406 N, 80.35435 W;
  - (5) the waters within 50 yards northeast and 50 yards southwest of the SR 1002 bridge otherwise known as the Bringle Ferry Road bridge at Second Creek on High Rock Lake, from a point northeast of the bridge at 35.60916 N, 80.30626 W, to a point southwest of the bridge at 35.60840 N, 80.30693 W;

- (6) the waters within 50 yards north and 50 yards south of SR 1004 bridge otherwise known as the Stokes Ferry Road bridge at Riles Creek on Tuckertown Lake, from a point north of the bridge at 35.50535 N, 80.21680 W, to a point south of the bridge at 35.50452 N, 80.21720 W;
  - (7) the waters within 50 yards northwest and 50 yards southeast of the N. C. Highway 8-49 bridge at Tuckertown Lake from a point northwest of the bridge at 35.50642 N, 80.18430 W, to a point southeast of the bridge at 35.50538 N, 80.18372 W; and
  - (8) the waters within 50 yards of the Rowan Shrine Club dock located at 35.66776 N, 80.31425 W on High Rock Lake.
- (e) Swimming Areas. No person operating or responsible for the operation of a vessel shall permit it to enter any marked public swimming area on the waters of the regulated areas described in Paragraph (a) of this Rule.
- (f) Placement of Markers. The Board of Commissioners of Rowan County shall be the designated agency for placement of markers implementing this Rule.

*History Note: Authority G.S. 75A-3; 75A-15;  
 Eff. June 18, 1978;  
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 Amended Eff. October 1, 2021; October 1, 2018.*

**15A NCAC 10F .0330 CARTERET COUNTY**

(a) Regulated Areas. This Rule applies to the following waters in Carteret County:

- (1) the waters of Money Island Slough in Atlantic Beach, beginning at the east end of Money Island near the Anchorage Marina Basin at a point at 34.70187 N, 76.72938 W and ending at the west end of Money Island where Brooks Avenue dead ends at a point at 34.70235 N, 76.73271 W;
- (2) the waters of Taylor Creek in Beaufort, shore to shore from its intersection with the Newport River at the western end, to a line at the eastern end between a point on the north shore at 34.70762 N, 76.61784 W, south-southwest to the eastern tip of Carrot Island;
- (3) the waters of Peletier Creek in Morehead City, beginning at the entrance to Peletier Creek at the Intracoastal Waterway at a point at 34.72543 N, 76.78044 W and ending at U.S. Highway 70;
- (4) the waters of Bogue Sound Harbor Channel in Morehead City, between Sugarloaf Island and the seawall on the south side of Evans, Shepard, and Shackelford Streets, from the east at the State Ports Authority, west to a point at 34.71848 N, 76.72015 W at the southern end of South 13<sup>th</sup> Street;
- (5) the waters of Gallants Channel in Beaufort, from the U.S. 70 Grayden Paul Bridge at a point at 34.72248 N, 76.66936 W, south to Taylor Creek at a point at 34.71775 N, 76.66950 W;
- (6) the waters of Cedar Island Bay and Harbor in the Town of Cedar Island, from N.C. Highway 12 to Cedar Island Bay Channel Light 8;
- (7) the waters of the small cove on the west side of Radio Island in Beaufort south of Old Causeway Road;
- (8) the waters of the Newport River in Beaufort, from a point north of the U.S. 70 Grayden Paul Bridge at 34.72265 N, 76.66930 W, north northwest to marker # 6;
- (9) the waters of Spooner Creek in Morehead City, north of a point where it enters the Intracoastal Waterway at 34.72570 N, 76.80294 W;
- (10) the waters of the Newport River at Bogue Sound in Morehead City, including all waters surrounding the Port of Morehead City to Goat Island as delineated by markers;
- (11) the waters of Newport River, known as Morgan Creek in Beaufort, west northwest of a point at the mouth at 34.71611 N, 76.67814 W;
- (12) the waters of Cannonsgate Marina and the Cannonsgate Marina Channel in Newport, beginning at its intersection with Bogue Sound at 34.70163 N, 76.98157 W, as delineated by markers;
- (13) the waters of Newport River within 200 yards of the Newport River Beach Access Boat Ramp, 301 U.S. Highway 70 East, Morehead City, beginning at the shore north of the U.S. Highway 70 Newport River Bridge at a point at 34.72141 N, 76.68707 W, west to a point at 34.72128 N, 76.68893 W, north to a point at 34.72376 N, 76.68911 N, then east to the shore at 34.72371 N, 76.68631 W;

- (14) the waters of Palmetto Drive Canal on the White Oak River in the Town of Cedar Point, beginning at a point on the western shore at 34.67903 N, 77.10142 W to a point on the eastern shore at 34.67899 N, 77.10098 W and extending the entire length of the canal;
  - (15) the portion of the canal at Dolphin Bay Estates on the White Oak River in the Town of Cedar Point, beginning 30 yards inside the entrance to the canal and extending the entire length of the canal;
  - (16) the waters within approximately 50 yards of the Gordon S. Myers Boating Access Area at Cedar Point Boating Access Area, but not extending into the Intracoastal Waterway channel setback, at 144 Cedar Point Boulevard, Cedar Point;
  - (17) the waters of the navigation channel from a point in Bogue Sound at 34.67392 N, 77.00725 W to the Emerald Isle Boating Access Area, a distance of 345 yards, at 6800 Emerald Drive, Emerald Isle;
  - (18) the waters within 50 yards of the Newport Boating Access Area on Newport River, at 333 E. Chatham Street, Newport;
  - (19) the waters within 50 yards of the Morehead City Boating Access Area on the Intracoastal Waterway, 3407 Arendell Street, Morehead City;
  - (20) the waters within 50 yards of the West Beaufort Boating Access Area on Newport River, 298 West Beaufort Road, Beaufort;
  - (21) the waters within 50 yards of the Taylors Creek Boating Access Area on Taylors Creek, 2370 Lennoxville Road, Beaufort;
  - (22) the waters within 50 yards of the Straits Landing Boating Access Area on North River, 1648 Harkers Island Road, Straits;
  - (23) the waters within 50 yards of the Oyster Creek Boating Access Area on Oyster Creek, 1300 U.S. Highway 70, Davis;
  - (24) the waters within 50 yards of the Salters Creek Boating Access Area on Salters Creek, 200 Wildlife Ramp Road, Sealevel; and
  - (25) the waters within 50 yards of the Cedar Island Boating Access Area on Pamlico Sound, 115 Driftwood Drive, Cedar Island.
- (b) **Speed Limit.** No person shall operate a vessel at a speed greater than no-wake speed while on the waters of the regulated areas designated in Paragraph (a) of this Rule.
- (c) **Placement of Markers.** The following agencies shall place the markers implementing this Rule, subject to the approval of the United States Coast Guard and the United States Army Corps of Engineers:
- (1) the Board of Commissioners of Carteret County, for the regulated areas designated in Subparagraphs (a)(1), (3), (5) through (8), (11), and (12) of this Rule;
  - (2) the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Beaufort, for the regulated area designated in Subparagraph (a)(2) of this Rule;
  - (3) the Board of Commissioners of Morehead City, for the regulated areas designated in Subparagraphs (a)(4), (9), and (13) of this Rule;
  - (4) the North Carolina State Ports Authority, for the regulated area designated in Subparagraph (a)(10) of this Rule;
  - (5) the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Cedar Point for the regulated areas designated in Subparagraphs (a)(14) and (15) of this Rule; and
  - (6) the North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission shall place and maintain markers for the areas designated in Subparagraphs (a)(16) through (25) of this Rule.

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**15A NCAC 10F .0331 WAKE COUNTY**

- (a) Regulated Area. This Rule shall apply to the waters of Lake Wheeler located in Wake County.
- (b) Speed Limit. No person shall operate a vessel at greater than no-wake speed within 50 yards of any public boat launching ramp while on the waters of the regulated area designated in Paragraph (a) of this Rule.
- (c) Placement of Markers. The Raleigh City Council shall be the designated agency for placement of the markers implementing this Rule.

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**15A NCAC 10F .0332 ALEXANDER COUNTY**

- (a) Regulated Area. This Rule applies to the waters of Lake Hickory.
- (1) Taylorsville:
- (A) the waters shore to shore from the Rink Dam at 35.83035 N, 81.26670 W, east-southeast to a point that is 195 yards southeast of the S.R. 1137 bridge known as the Rink Dam Road bridge, and 50 yards southeast of the Sandbar Marina and Grill docks;
- (B) the waters within 50 yards of the Lake Hickory Scuba and Marina and docks, located at 420 Taylorsville Beach Court; and
- (C) the waters within 50 yards of the Dusty Ridge Boating Access Area, 508 Dusty Ridge Access Road.
- (2) Hickory:
- (A) the waters within 50 yards of Rivers Edge Marina and docks, located at 5803 Icard Ridge Road; and
- (B) the waters within 50 yards of the Lakeside Marina and docks, located at 81 Marina Drive.
- (3) Bethlehem. The waters within 50 yards of the Wittenburg Boating Access Area, located at 175 Wildlife Access Road.
- (b) Speed Limit. No person shall operate a vessel at greater than no-wake speed within the regulated areas described in Parts (a)(1)(A), (B), (C), (a)(2)(A) and (B), and Subparagraph (a)(3) of this Rule.
- (c) Wittenburg Access Area Restricted Area, Bethlehem. Vessel entry is prohibited in the waters of the cove south of the Wittenburg Access Area where the marked swim beach is located, west of a line from a point at 35.80480 N, 81.31101 W to a point at 35.80437 N, 81.31100 W.
- (d) Placement of Markers. The Board of Commissioners of Alexander County shall place markers implementing the regulated areas designated in Part (a)(1)(A) and (B), and Part (a)(2)(A) and (B) of this Rule.
- (c) Placement and Maintenance of Markers. The following agencies shall place and maintain markers implementing the regulated areas designated in this Rule:
- (1) The Wildlife Resources Commission for the regulated areas designated in Part (a)(1)(C) and Subparagraph (a)(3) of this Rule; and
- (2) Duke Energy, LLC for the regulated area designated in Paragraph (c) of this Rule.

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**15A NCAC 10F .0333 MECKLENBURG AND GASTON COUNTIES**

- (a) Regulated Areas. This Rule applies to the following waters of Lake Wylie in Mecklenburg and Gaston counties:
- (1) McDowell Park. The waters of the coves adjoining McDowell Park and the Southwest Nature Preserve in Mecklenburg County shore to shore, east of the mouth of the cove at a line from a

point on the south shore at 35.10272 N, 81.03026 W to a point on the north shore at 35.10556 N, 80.02964 W;

- (2) Gaston County Wildlife Club Cove. The waters of the cove west of the Gaston County Wildlife Club on South Point Road in Belmont, north of a line at the mouth of the cove from a point on the east shore at 35.15628 N, 81.01427 W to a point on the west shore at 35.15628 N, 81.01615 W;
- (3) Buster Boyd Bridge. The waters from a point 250 feet east of the Buster Boyd Bridge on N.C. Highway 49 in Mecklenburg County at 35.10187 N, 81.03913 W to a point 150 feet west of the Buster Boyd Bridge at 35.10165 N, 81.04070 W;
- (4) N.C. Highway 27 Bridge. The waters shore to shore, from a point 50 yards north of the N.C. Highway 27 bridge in Mecklenburg and Gaston counties at 35.29849 N, 81.00346 W to a point 190 yards south of the N.C. Highway 27 bridge at 35.29635 N, 81.00424 W;
- (5) Brown's Cove. The area beginning at the mouth of Brown's Cove in Mecklenburg County shore to shore, at a point at 35.16453 N, 81.00474 W, west to a point at 35.16480 N, 81.00309 W;
- (6) Paradise Point Cove. The waters of Paradise Point Cove in Gaston County between Paradise Circle and Lake Front Drive, west of a line from a point on the south shore at 35.18853 N, 81.04036 W to a point on the north shore at 35.18991 N, 81.04136 W;
- (7) Withers Cove. The waters of Withers Cove in Mecklenburg County, shore to shore, beginning at a line north of the Mecklenburg Charlotte Fire Department and Police Department Boathouse from a point on the west shore at 35.14632 N, 81.00383 W to a point on the east shore at 35.14713 N, 81.00173 W, and ending at a point 50 feet southeast of the Withers Bridge on S.R. 1116, otherwise known as Shopton Road, at 35.14576 N, 81.00187 W;
- (8) Sadler Island. The waters shore to shore beginning at a line from a point on the west shore of Lake Wylie in Gaston County at 35.27481 N, 81.0138 W east to a point on the east shore of the Lake in Mecklenburg County at 35.27423 N, 81.01111 W, extending south on the Lake west of Sadler Island to a line from a point on the west shore of the Lake in Gaston County at 35.27079 N, 81.01525 W, east to a point on the west side of Sadler Island in Mecklenburg County at 35.27051 N, 81.01396 W, and the waters shore to shore east of Sadler Island in Mecklenburg County from a point at 35.27441 N, 81.01185 W, south-southwest to a line from a point on the south shore of Sadler Island at 35.26635 N, 81.01432 W, south to a point on the Lake shore at 35.26494 N, 81.01368 W;
- (9) Other Bridges. The waters within 50 feet of a bridge in North Carolina that crosses the waters of Lake Wylie that is not otherwise specifically mentioned in this Paragraph;
- (10) Yachtsman on Lake Wylie Community. The waters within 50 yards of the community piers near the terminus of Waterside Drive in Mecklenburg County, and northward to include the waters east of the island that is west of Point Lookout Road, ending at a line from a point on the northern end of the island at 35.12226 N, 81.03306 W, east to a point on the shore at 35.12253 N, 81.03190 W;
- (11) Brown's Cove. The waters of Brown's Cove in Mecklenburg County, beginning at a line from a point on the east shore at 35.16892 N, 80.99702 W to a point on the west shore at 35.16948 N, 80.99783 W, northeast to a line from a point on the south shore at 35.16913 N, 80.99556 W to a point on the north shore at 35.17043 N, 80.99684 W;
- (12) South Point Boating Access Area. The waters within 50 yards of the South Point Boating Access Area in Gaston County, 199 Boat Launch Road in Belmont; and
- (13) the waters within 50 yards of the docks at Joyner's Marina, 16310 York Road in Charlotte, and including the cove southeast of the docks to a point on the shore at 35.10084 N, 81.03610 W.

(b) Speed Limit. No person shall operate a vessel at greater than no-wake speed within the regulated areas described in Paragraph (a) of this Rule.

(c) Restricted Area. No person operating or responsible for the operation of a vessel shall allow it to enter the waters of the restricted area with swim beach at the South Point Access Area in Gaston County, at 199 Boat Launch Road in Belmont, north of the rope in the cove east of the South Point Boating Access Area.

(d) Placement and Maintenance of Markers. The following agencies are the designated agencies for placement and maintenance of markers implementing this Rule:

- (1) the Lake Wylie Marine Commission for the regulated areas designated in Subparagraphs (a)(1) through (11), and (13);
- (2) the North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission for the regulated area designated in Subparagraph (a)(12); and
- (3) Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC for the restricted area designated in Paragraph (c).

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**15A NCAC 10F .0334 GUILFORD COUNTY**

- (a) Regulated Area. This Rule shall apply to the waters of Oak Hollow Lake, also known as High Point Reservoir, in Guilford County.
- (b) Speed Limit Near Ramps. No person shall operate a vessel at greater than no wake speed within 50 yards of any public boat launching ramp.
- (c) Speed Limit Near Piers. No person shall operate a vessel at greater than no-wake speed within 50 yards of any pier operated by the City of High Point for public use.
- (d) Placement of Markers. The City Council of High Point shall be the designated agency for placement of markers implementing this Rule.

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**15A NCAC 10F .0335 SWAIN COUNTY**

- (a) Regulated Area. This Rule shall apply to the waters of Fontana Lake within 50 yards of Almond Boat and RV Park at 1165 Almond Boat Park Road in Bryson City.
- (b) Speed Limit. No person shall operate a vessel at greater than no-wake speed within the area described in Paragraph (a) of this Rule.
- (c) Placement of Markers. The Board of Commissioners of Swain County shall be the designated agency for placement of markers implementing this Rule, subject to the approval of the Tennessee Valley Authority and the United States Army Corps of Engineers.

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**15A NCAC 10F .0336 NORTHAMPTON AND WARREN COUNTIES**

- (a) No person shall operate a vessel at greater than no-wake speed in the following waters of Lake Gaston and the Roanoke River in Northampton and Warren counties.

- (1) Lake Gaston:
  - (A) the cove on the north shore of Lake Gaston in Northampton County east of SR 1252 otherwise known as Vincent Lane, shore to shore from a point on the north shore at 36.51660 N, 77.82226 W to a point on the south shore at 36.51578 N, 77.82269 W;
  - (B) Jimmies Creek in Northampton County shore to shore, north of a line from a point on the east shore at 36.52450 N, 77.82600 W to a point on the west shore at 36.52445 N, 77.82810 W;
  - (C) within 50 yards of the Henrico Boating Access Area in Northampton County, 142 Wildlife Landing Road, Henrico, N.C.;

- (D) within 50 yards of the Vulture Boating Access Area in Northampton County, 773 Old Gaston Road, Gaston, N.C.;
  - (E) within 50 yards east and west of the N.C. Highway 903 Eaton Ferry Road Bridge in Warren County;
  - (F) within 50 yards of the Hawtree Creek Boating Access Area in Warren County, 1200 Peete Farm Road, Warrenton, N.C.;
  - (G) within 50 yards of the Salmons Landing Boating Access area in Warren County, 129 Salmon Landing Road, Littleton, N.C.;
  - (H) within 50 yards of the Wildwood Point boat ramp in Warren County, 184 N. Oak Drive, Littleton, N.C.;
  - (I) within 50 yards of the Lizard Creek boat ramp in Warren County, 417 Lizard Creek Road, Littleton, N.C.;
  - (J) Songbird Creek in Warren County within 50 yards of the culvert under N.C. Highway 903 at 36.53260 N, 77.97330 W; and
  - (K) Sixpound Creek in Warren County within 50 yards of the culvert under SR 1704 otherwise known as Nocarva Road at 36.52950 N, 78.07283 W;
  - (L) Lizard Creek in Warren County within 50 yards of the culvert under SR 1362 otherwise known as Lizard Creek Road at 36.52501 N, 77.91187 W;
  - (M) within 50 yards of the Waters View Restaurant adjacent to the northwest end of the N.C. Highway 903 bridge in Warren County;
  - (N) the cove west of the Pointe at Lake Gaston at the southwest end of the N.C. Highway 903 bridge in Warren County, south of a point at 36.50937 N, 77.96644 W;
  - (O) Camp Willow Run Canoe and Sail Cove in Warren County, beginning at a line shore to shore from a point on the southwest shore at 36.49355 N, 77.91795 W, to a point on the north shore at 36.49534 N, 77.91508 W;
  - (P) the cove on Hubquarter Creek in Warren County, shore to shore beginning at a line from a point on the northeast shore at 36.50030 N, 78.00474 W to a point on the southwest shore at 36.49947 N, 78.00553 W; and
  - (Q) the waters of the cove east of the Stonehouse Timber Lodge Marina, 154 Stonehouse Lodge Drive, Littleton, N.C., shore to shore south of a point at 36.49206 N, 77.94085 W.
- (2) Roanoke River:
- (A) within 50 yards of the Gaston Boating Access Area, 601 Roanoke Rapids Road, Gaston, N.C.; and
  - (B) within 50 yards of the Odom Boating Access Area, 1017 Striper Lane, Jackson, N.C.
- (b) Speed Limit in Mooring Areas. No person shall operate a vessel at greater than no-wake speed while within a marked mooring area on the waters of Lake Gaston within Northampton and Warren counties.
- (c) Placement of Markers. The following agencies shall be the designated agencies for placement of the markers implementing this Rule, subject to the approval of the United States Coast Guard and the United States Army Corps of Engineers:
- (1) The Boards of Commissioners of Northampton County and Warren County shall be responsible for placement of markers for the regulated areas designated in Parts (a)(1)(A), (B), and (H) through (Q) of this Rule; and
  - (2) The North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission shall be responsible for placement of markers for the regulated areas designated in Parts (a)(1)(C) through (G) and Subparagraph (a)(2)(A) and (B) of this Rule.

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**15A NCAC 10F .0337 FRANKLIN COUNTY**

- (a) Regulated Area. This Rule shall apply to Lake Royale in Franklin County.
- (b) Speed Limit Near Ramps. No person shall operate a vessel at greater than no-wake speed within 50 yards of any public boat launching ramp while on the waters of Lake Royale.
- (c) Speed Limit in Mooring Areas. No person shall operate a vessel at greater than no-wake speed while within a marked mooring area on the waters of Lake Royale.
- (d) Swimming Areas. No person operating or responsible for the operation of a vessel shall permit it to enter any marked public swimming area on the waters of Lake Royale.
- (e) Placement and Maintenance of Markers. The Board of Commissioners of Franklin County shall be the designated agency for placement and maintenance of the markers implementing this Rule.

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**15A NCAC 10F .0338 CALDWELL COUNTY**

- (a) Regulated Areas. This Rule shall apply to the following waters in Caldwell County:
  - (1) Catawba River;
  - (2) Lake Rhodhiss:
    - (A) within 50 yards of the marina facilities at Castle Bridge Marina, 6131 Castle Bridge Drive in Granite Falls;
    - (B) within 50 yards of the Castle Bridge Boating Access Area, 6131 Connelly Springs Road in Granite Falls; and
    - (C) within 50 yards of the Conley Creek Boating Access Area, 5475 Waterworks Road in Granite Falls.
  - (3) Little Gunpowder Lake; and
  - (4) Lake Hickory:
    - (A) within 30 yards of the docks at the Lake Hickory Marina and Boat Rentals, on Limbaugh Lane in the City of Hickory;
    - (B) within 50 yards of the Gunpowder Boating Access Area, at 5450 Hurricane Hill Road in Granite Falls; and
    - (C) within 50 yards of the Lovelady Boating Access Area, at 5682 Rocky Mount Road in Granite Falls.
- (b) Speed limit. No person shall operate a vessel at greater than no-wake speed within any regulated area described in Paragraph (a) of this Rule.
- (c) Speed Limit in Mooring Areas. No person shall operate a vessel at greater than no-wake speed while within a marked mooring area on the regulated areas described in Paragraph (a) of this Rule.
- (d) Swimming Areas. No person operating or responsible for the operation of a vessel shall permit it to enter any marked public swimming area on the regulated areas described in Paragraph (a) of this Rule.
- (e) Placement of Markers. The following agencies shall place or place and maintain the markers implementing this Rule, subject to the approval of the United States Coast Guard and United States Army Corps of Engineers:
  - (1) the Board of Commissioners of Caldwell County shall place the markers implementing Subparagraphs (a)(1) and (a)(3), and Part (a)(2)(A) of this Rule;
  - (2) the City of Hickory shall place the markers implementing Part (a)(4)(A) of this Rule; and
  - (3) the North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission shall place and maintain the markers implementing Parts (a)(2)(B), (C), and (a)(4)(B), (C) of this Rule.

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**15A NCAC 10F .0339 MCDOWELL COUNTY**

- (a) Regulated Areas. This Rule shall apply to the following waters on Lake James in McDowell County:
- (1) the cove east of Old Wildlife Club Road, beginning at a line from a point on the northwest shore at 35.73649 N, 81.92296 W to a point on the southeast shore at 35.73595 N, 81.92194 W;
  - (2) the waters including coves, shore to shore in the vicinity of the Marion Moose Club property, east of a line from a point on the north shore at 35.72026 N, 81.97292 W, to a point on the south shore at 35.71908 N, 81.97257 W, and south of a line from a point on the west shore at 35.72214 N, 81.96807 W to a point on the east shore at 35.72305 N, 81.96642 W;
  - (3) Morgan Cove, west and south of a line at the mouth from a point on the north shore at 35.74220 N, 81.94189 W to a point on the south shore at 35.74142 N, 81.94155 W;
  - (4) within 50 yards of the shoreline at the New Manna Baptist Youth Camp at 880 Marina Drive in Nebo;
  - (5) within 50 yards of the shoreline at Burnette's Landing at 3385 Hankins Road in Marion;
  - (6) the coves adjacent to Lake James State Park swimming area southeast of a line from a point on the northeast shore at 35.73402 N, 81.90450 W to a point on the southwest shore at 35.73268 N, 81.90614 W;
  - (7) within 50 yards of camping areas in the Lake James State Park;
  - (8) the cove between Waterglyn Subdivision and Lakeview Shores Subdivision, contiguous with the waters within 50 yards of the shoreline of Lakeview Point Subdivision, and within 50 yards of the boat launching ramp at the Marion Lake Club at the end of Lake Club Lane;
  - (9) Plantation Point Cove southwest of a line from a point on the north shore at 35.71672 N, 81.98065 W to a point on the south shore at 35.71616 N, 81.98010 W;
  - (10) Waterglyn Subdivision Cove, west of Lentz Landing Lane;
  - (11) within 50 yards of the boat ramp at Lake James Landing on Lake James Landing Drive, near the mouth of the North Fork of the Catawba River;
  - (12) within 50 yards of the Bear Creek Marina at 608 Marina Drive in Nebo;
  - (13) within 50 yards of the peninsula at Waterglyn Subdivision at the end of Waterglyn Way, from the point on land east of the cove east of Old Wildlife Club Road at 35.73600 N, 81.92185 W to a point on land west of Waterglyn Subdivision Cove at 35.73549 N, 81.91900 W;
  - (14) within 50 yards of the Hidden Cove Public Boat Access at 3657 NC-126 in Nebo; and
  - (15) within 50 yards of the peninsula at Old Wildlife Club Subdivision at the end of Hunt Camp Drive and Screech Owl Drive, from a point on land at 35.75171 N, 81.92186 W, southeast to a point on land at 35.74914 N, 81.91782 W.
- (b) Speed Limit. No person shall operate a vessel at greater than no-wake speed within any of the regulated areas described in Paragraph (a) of this Rule.
- (c) Restricted Swimming Areas. No person operating or responsible for the operation of any vessel shall permit it to enter any marked swimming area located on the waters of Lake James in McDowell County.
- (d) Placement of Markers. The Board of Commissioners of McDowell County is the designated agency for placement of the markers implementing this Rule, subject to the approval of the United States Coast Guard and the United States Army Corps of Engineers.

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*Temporary Amendment Eff. February 1, 1998;*  
*Amended Eff. July 1, 1998;*  
*Temporary Amendment Eff. February 4, 2000; April 1, 1999;*  
*Amended Eff. July 1, 2000;*  
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*Amended Eff. October 1, 2019; November 1, 2017.*

#### **15A NCAC 10F .0340 CURRITUCK COUNTY**

- (a) Regulated Areas. This Rule shall apply to the waters described as follows:
- (1) Bell Island. All canals on Bell Island.

- (2) Walnut Island. All canals in the Walnut Island subdivision in the Village of Grandy.
  - (3) Waterview Shores subdivision. All canals in the Waterview Shores subdivision in the Village of Grandy.
  - (4) Neal's Creek Landing. The waters of Neal's Creek within 50 yards of Neal's Creek Landing at the end of SR 1133, otherwise known as Neals Creek Road.
  - (5) Tull Bay.
    - (A) The waters of the canal off of Tull Bay from its mouth to its end at Tulls Bay Marina, downstream and within the canal leading to Tull's Bay Marina.
    - (B) The canals of the Tulls Bay Colony subdivision in Moyock including the waters 50 yards north along the Mississippi Canal from its intersection with Elizabeth Canal.
  - (6) Carova Beach. The canals at Carova Beach, east of a line in the northern canal from a point on the north shore at 36.51418 N, 75.87622 W to a point on the south shore at 36.51357 N, 75.87644 W; and east of a line in the southern canal from a point on the east shore at 36.51299 N, 75.87687 W to a point on the west shore at 36.51260 N, 75.87765 W.
- (b) Speed Limit. No person shall operate a vessel at greater than no-wake speed within any of the regulated areas described in Paragraph (a) of this Rule.
- (c) Placement of Markers. The Board of Commissioners of Currituck County shall be the designated agency for placement of the markers implementing this Rule, subject to the approval of the United States Coast Guard and the United States Army Corps of Engineers.

*History Note: Authority G.S. 75A-3; 75A-15;  
 Eff. May 1, 1982;  
 Amended Eff. May 1, 2015; July 1, 1993; January 1, 1991; December 1, 1990; January 1, 1989;  
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 Amended Eff. May 1, 2020; October 1, 2018.*

#### **15A NCAC 10F .0341 TOWN OF LAKE LURE**

- (a) Regulated Area. This Rule shall apply to the waters of Lake Lure in the Town of Lake Lure, in Rutherford County.
- (b) Speed Limit. No person shall operate a vessel at greater than no-wake speed within 50 yards of any boat launching area, dock, pier, marina, boat storage structure, boat service area, swimming area, cove or dam in the regulated area described in Paragraph (a) of this Rule.
- (c) Swimming Areas. No person operating or responsible for the operation of a vessel shall permit it to enter any marked swimming area in the regulated area described by Paragraph (a) of this Rule.
- (d) Water skiers. On the regulated area described by Paragraph (a) of this Rule:
  - (1) no more than two skiers shall be towed at once by any boat;
  - (2) each skier is required to wear a ski belt or a personal flotation device; and
  - (3) the Board of Commissioners of the Town of Lake Lure may issue special permission for towing more than two skiers, with or without flotation devices, to persons or groups practicing for or participating in skiing exhibitions or shows.
- (e) Placement and Maintenance of Markers. The Board of Commissioners of the Town of Lake Lure shall be the designated agency for placement and maintenance of markers implementing this Rule.

*History Note: Authority G.S. 75A-3; 75A-15;  
 Eff. May 1, 1982;  
 Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. December 6, 2016;  
 Amended Eff. October 1, 2018.*

#### **15A NCAC 10F .0342 CATAWBA COUNTY**

- (a) Regulated Areas. This Rule shall apply to the following waters of Lake Hickory:
  - (1) the area within 50 yards of the Moore's Ferry Boat Marina and Boathouse in the City of Hickory at 44<sup>th</sup> Avenue Circle, NW; and
  - (2) the cove entering the Lake Hickory RV Resort boating access area, south of a line from a point on the east shore at 35.80767 N, 81.22795 W, to a point on the west shore at 35.80818 N, 81.22899

W, and the waters of the cove west and south of the Lake Hickory RV Resort shore to shore, south-southeast of a line from a point on the west shore of the cove mouth at 35.80675 N, 81.23275 W to a point on the east shore of the cove mouth at 35.80722 N, 81.23145 W.

(b) Speed Limit. No person shall operate a vessel at greater than no-wake speed in the waters of the regulated areas specified in Paragraph (a) of this Rule.

(c) Placement of Markers. The governing board of the City of Hickory and the Catawba County Board of Commissioners shall be the designated agencies for placement of the markers implementing this Rule, subject to the approval of the United States Army Corps of Engineers.

*History Note: Authority G.S. 75A-3; 75A-15;  
Eff. September 1, 1982;  
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Temporary Amendment Eff. February 1, 1999;  
Amended Eff. July 1, 2000;  
Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. December 6, 2016;  
Amended Eff. October 1, 2018.*

#### **15A NCAC 10F .0343 CHATHAM COUNTY**

(a) Regulated Area. This Rule shall apply to the portion of the B. Everette Jordan Reservoir otherwise known as Jordan Lake in Chatham County.

(b) Speed Limit. No person shall operate a vessel at greater than no-wake speed on the regulated area as follows:

- (1) within 50 yards of any public boat launching ramp;
- (2) within 100 yards of the piers and boat slips adjacent to the Crosswinds Boating Center located at 565 Farrington Road in Apex;
- (3) within 100 feet of all bridges.

(c) Swimming Areas. No person operating or responsible for the operation of any vessel, surfboard or water skis shall permit it to enter any marked swimming area located on the regulated area.

(d) Placement of Markers. The Board of Commissioners of Chatham County shall be the designated agency for placement of the markers implementing this Rule, subject to the approval of the United States Army Corps of Engineers.

*History Note: Authority G.S. 75A-3; 75A-15;  
Eff. March 1, 1983;  
Amended Eff. May 1, 2004; September 1, 1989; April 1, 1984; June 1, 1983;  
Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. December 6, 2016;  
Amended Eff. October 1, 2018.*

#### **15A NCAC 10F .0344 TOWN OF RIVER BEND**

(a) Regulated Areas. This Rule shall apply to the following waters located in the Town of River Bend in Craven County:

- (1) the waters of Plantation Canal shore to shore, beginning at its entrance from the Trent River at a line from a point on the northeast shore at 35.07226 N, 77.13303 W, to a point on the south shore at 35.07187 N, 77.13335 W, and including the waters of the River Bend Yacht Club Marina Basin; and
- (2) the waters of Island Lake shore to shore, and its access waters off of the Trent River beginning at points at 35.06508 N, 77.13600 W and at 35.06653 N, 77.13716 W.

(b) Speed limit. No person shall operate a vessel at greater than no-wake speed within any of the regulated areas described in Paragraph (a) of this Rule.

(c) Placement of Markers. The Town Council of the Town of River Bend shall be the designated agency for placement of markers implementing this Rule, subject to the approval of the United States Coast Guard and the United States Army Corps of Engineers.

*History Note: Authority G.S. 75A-3; 75A-15;  
Eff. June 1, 1983;*



*Amended Eff. December 1, 1985;*

*Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. December 6, 2016;*

*Amended Eff. October 1, 2018.*

#### **15A NCAC 10F .0345 CHATHAM AND WAKE COUNTIES**

(a) Regulated Areas. This Rule shall apply to the following waters of the Shearon Harris Nuclear Power Plant Reservoir, otherwise known as Harris Reservoir, in Chatham and Wake counties:

- (1) all waters within 50 yards of any marked boat launching ramp, pier, dock, mooring area, boat storage structure, bridge, or service area;
- (2) in Chatham County, a portion of the waters of the cove at the Cross Point Landing Boating Access Area on SR 1914 otherwise known as Cross Point Road, shore to shore beginning at a line west of a point on the north shore at 35.57351 N, 78.97411 W to a point on the south shore at 35.57187 N, 78.97384 W; and a
- (3) in Wake County, the waters within 150 yards of the Holleman's Boating Access Area located at 4420 Bartley Holleman Road in Holly Springs at 35.60861 N, 78.93899 W.

(b) Exclusionary Zones. Except for authorized personnel of the power company, no person shall operate a vessel in any exclusionary zone which is marked to prevent entry by boats.

(c) Mast Height. No person shall place or operate on the regulated area described in Paragraph (a) of this Rule a sailboat or other vessel having a mast or any superstructure extending vertically above water level a distance of 35 feet or more.

(d) Speed Limit. No person shall operate a vessel at greater than no-wake speed within any of the regulated areas described in Paragraph (a) of this Rule.

(e) Swimming Areas. No person shall operate a vessel or water skis within a marked public swimming area.

(f) Placement of Markers. The Board of Commissioners of Chatham County and the Board of Commissioners of Wake County shall be the designated agencies for placement of markers implementing this Rule within their respective counties.

*History Note: Authority G.S. 75A-3; 75A-15;*

*Eff. August 1, 1983;*

*Amended Eff. February 1, 1990;*

*Temporary Amendment Eff. April 1, 1998;*

*Amended Eff. May 1, 2013; July 1, 1998;*

*Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. December 6, 2016;*

*Amended Eff. October 1, 2018.*

#### **15A NCAC 10F .0346 ARROWHEAD BEACH SUBDIVISION**

(a) Regulated Areas. This Rule shall apply to the following waters or portions of waters in Chowan County:

- (1) Chowan River. The waters within 350 feet of the shoreline of the Arrowhead Beach Subdivision Park pier and swim area, from a point in the water southwest of the pier at 36.22691 N, 76.70711 W, to a point in the water northeast at 36.22838 N, 76.70637 W;
- (2) Indian Creek. The portion adjoining the Arrowhead Beach Subdivision shore to shore from a point at 36.23615 N, 76.69494 W to a point at 36.23084 N, 76.69231 W; and
- (3) Chowan River. The waters of an unnamed canal in Arrowhead Beach Subdivision, shore to shore at its intersection with the Chowan River at 36.22508 N, 76.70787 W.

(b) Swimming Area. No person operating or responsible for the operation of a vessel shall permit it to enter the swimming area described in Subparagraph (a)(1) of this Rule.

(c) Obstruction of Swimmers or Boats. No person shall place or maintain within the recreational area described in Subparagraph (a)(1) of this Rule any poles, cables, lines, nets, trotlines, fish traps or other obstructions or hazards to swimmers or boats, excepting those necessary to mark the area pursuant to this Rule.

(d) Speed Limit. No person shall operate a vessel at greater than no-wake speed in the area described in Subparagraphs (a)(2) and (a)(3) of this Rule.

(e) Placement of Markers. The board of Commissioners of Chowan County shall be the designated agency for the placement of markers implementing this Rule, subject to the approval of the United States Coast Guard and the United States Army Corps of Engineers.

*History Note: Authority G.S. 75A-3; 75A-15;  
Eff. August 1, 1983;  
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Amended Eff. October 1, 2018; January 1, 2017.*

**15A NCAC 10F .0347 CRAVEN COUNTY**

(a) Regulated Areas. This Rule applies to the following waters in Craven County:

- (1) New Bern:
  - (A) the portion of Northwest Creek from the entrance buoys at Northwest Creek Marina, north of a line from a point on the east shore at 35.06357 N, 76.96934 W to a point on the west shore at 35.06343 N, 76.97106 W, to south of a line from a point on the east shore of Northwest Creek at 35.06903 N, 76.97030 W to a point on the west shore at 35.06779 N, 76.97225 W, northeast to include all waters, shore to shore, of the bulkheaded area of Fairfield Harbour otherwise known as Spring Creek;
  - (B) Olde Towne Lake, shore to shore from its intersection with the Trent River west of a point at 35.08098 N, 77.05833 W;
  - (C) within 50 yards of the Spring Garden Boating Access Area on Neuse River, 585 NW Craven Middle School Road, New Bern;
  - (D) within 50 yards of Cool Springs Boating Access Area on Swift Creek, 1065 Cool Springs Road, New Bern;
  - (E) within 50 yards of Brices Creek Boating Access Area on Brice Creek, 953 Perrytown Road, New Bern; and
  - (F) the portion of Brice Creek beginning 50 yards north of the Brices Creek Bridge shore to shore, south-southwest around Merchant's Grocery, docking facilities, fuel dock, and a public boat ramp, then southeastward, south of the peninsula and sharp curve on the east side of Brice Creek to a line from a point on the west shore at 35.06587 N, 77.07078 W to a point on the east shore at 35.06638 N, 77.06893 W.
- (2) Havelock:
  - (A) the triangular area in the waters at the end of the Bishops Marina main pier located at the confluence of Clubfoot and Mitchell Creeks off of Neuse River, between a point 300 feet east of the pier at 34.90619 N, 76.76490 W, and a point 300 feet west of the pier at 34.90610 N, 76.76262 W, and a point 150 feet south of the pier at 34.90571 N, 76.76377 W;
  - (B) the portion of Southwest Prong Slocum Creek, shore to shore east of a line from a point on the north shore at 34.89122 N 76.92302 W to a point on the south shore at 34.89102 N, 76.92304 W and extending northeast, shore to shore to a line from a point on the north shore at 34.89370 N, 76.92109 W to a point on the southeast shore at 34.89358 N, 76.92089 W;
  - (C) within 50 yards of the Slocum Creek Boating Access Area on Slocum Creek, 99 U.S. Highway 70 W, Havelock; and
  - (D) within 50 yards of the Hancock Creek Boating Access Area on Hancock Creek, 1100 Cahoogue Creek Road, Havelock.
- (3) Trent Woods. The waters within 50 yards of the fuel dock at Eastern Carolina Yacht Club on Trent River at 4005 Trent Pines Drive, Trent Woods.
- (4) Bridgeton. The waters within 50 yards of the Bridgeton Boating Access Area on Neuse River, 880 Wildlife Road, Bridgeton.
- (5) Grifton. The waters within 50 yards of the Maple Cypress Boating Access Area on Neuse River, 360 Maple Cypress Road, Grifton.
- (6) Vanceboro. The waters within 50 yards of the Cow Pen Landing Boating Access Area on Neuse River, 1199 Cow Pen Landing Road, Vanceboro.

(b) Speed Limit. No person shall operate a vessel at greater than no-wake speed within the regulated areas described in Paragraph (a) of this Rule.

(c) Placement of Markers.

- (1) the Board of Commissioners of Craven County shall be the designated agency for placement in regulated areas indicated in Parts (a)(1)(A), (B), and (F), Part (a)(2)(A); and Subparagraph (a)(3) of this Rule;
- (2) the City of Havelock shall be the designated agency for placement in the regulated area indicated in Part (a)(2)(B) of this Rule; and
- (3) the North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission shall be the designated agency for placement and maintenance of markers in the regulated areas in Parts (a)(1)(C), (D), and (E), Parts (a)(2)(C) and (D), and Subparagraphs (a)(4) through (6) of this Rule.

*History Note:* Authority G.S. 75A-3; 75A-15;  
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 Amended Eff. December 1, 1990; October 1, 1989; June 1, 1989;  
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 Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. December 6, 2016;  
 Amended Eff. June 1, 2025; October 1, 2018.

#### **15A NCAC 10F .0348 PERSON COUNTY**

- (a) Regulated Area. This Rule shall apply to the Mayo Electric Generating Plant Reservoir, otherwise known as Mayo Reservoir, in Person County.
- (b) Restricted Zones. Except for authorized personnel of the power company, no person shall operate a vessel in any restricted zone which is marked to prevent entry by boats.
- (c) Mast Height. No person shall place or operate on the regulated area described in Paragraph (a) of this Rule a sailboat or other vessel having a mast or any superstructure extending vertically above water level a distance of 35 feet or more.
- (d) Speed Limit. Except as provided in Paragraph (e) of this Rule, no person shall operate a vessel at greater than no-wake speed within 50 yards of any marked bridge, boat launching ramp, pier, boat storage structure, or boat service area on the regulated area described in Paragraph (a) of this Rule.
- (e) Skiing. Except to leave or return to the shore or a boat launching ramp, no skiing is permitted within any speed zone described in Paragraph (d) of this Rule. In leaving or returning to the shore or boat ramp, all vessels pulling skiers shall be operated on a course perpendicular to the shore line. Upon returning, all vessels pulling skiers shall reduce to no-wake speed when the skiers have entered the restricted area.
- (f) Swimming Areas. No person shall operate a vessel or water skis within a marked public swimming area.
- (g) Boating Access. No vessel shall be placed on the regulated area described in Paragraph (a) of this Rule from any point other than the Triple Springs Boating Access Area on SR 1515.
- (h) No Wake Zone. No person shall operate a vessel at greater than no wake speed within the waters of the channel on Mayo Reservoir beginning north of the Triple Springs Boating Access Area, shore to shore from 36.48054 N, 78.87754 W to 36.47992 N, 78.87972 W, southward ending at an area below the Mayo Park ADA Fishing Pier shore to shore from 36.48054 N, 78.87754 W to 36.47718 N, 78.87836 W.
- (i) Placement of Markers. The Board of Commissioners of Person County shall be the designated agency for placement of markers implementing this Rule.

*History Note:* Authority G.S. 75A-3; 75A-15;  
 Eff. August 1, 1984;  
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 Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. December 6, 2016;  
 Amended Eff. October 1, 2018.

#### **15A NCAC 10F .0349 JOHN H. MOSS LAKE**

- (a) Regulated Area. This Rule shall apply to the Kings Mountain water supply reservoir known as John H. Moss Lake, in Cleveland County.
- (b) Speed Limit Near Boat Facilities. No person shall operate a vessel at greater than no-wake speed within 50 yards of any boat launching area, dock, pier, marina, boat storage structure or boat service area located on the regulated area described in Paragraph (a) of this Rule.

- (c) Swimming Areas. No person operating or responsible for the operation of a vessel shall permit it to enter any marked swimming area on the regulated area described in Paragraph (a) of this Rule.
- (d) Placement of Markers. The Board of Commissioners of the City of Kings Mountain shall be the designated agency for placement of markers implementing this Rule.

*History Note: Authority G.S. 75A-3; 75A-15;*  
*Eff. August 1, 1984;*  
*Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. December 6, 2016;*  
*Amended Eff. October 1, 2018.*

#### **15A NCAC 10F .0350 DURHAM AND WAKE COUNTIES**

- (a) Regulated Areas. This Rule shall apply to the waters of Falls Lake in Durham and Wake counties.
- (b) Speed Limit. No person shall operate a vessel at greater than no-wake speed:
- (1) while within a designated mooring area established on the regulated area by or with the approval of the Corps and State Parks;
  - (2) within 50 yards of any public boat launching ramp or boat service facility, including docks used for fueling or boat repair, located on the regulated area;
  - (3) within 50 yards of any state road bridge crossing over the portion of Falls Lake located within Wake County;
  - (4) the waters of the Holly Point Recreation Swim and boat launch area shore to shore, from a line at a point on the southwest shore at 35.99751 N, 78.66075 W to a point on the north shore at 36.00030 N, 78.65963 W, east to a line from a point on the southeast shore at 35.99941 N, 78.65520 W to a point on the northwest shore at 36.00087 N, 78.65731 W; and
  - (5) within 50 yards east and 50 yards west of the New Light Road bridge.
- (c) Restricted Zones. No person operating or responsible for the operation of a vessel, surfboard or water skis shall enter:
- (1) any marked swimming area located on the regulated area;
  - (2) any areas near the dam structures located on the regulated area that is marked against entry by vessels by or with the approval of the United States Army Corps of Engineers.
- (d) Placement of Markers. The Board of Commissioners of Durham County, the Board of Commissioners of Wake County, and North Carolina State Parks shall be the designated agencies for placement of markers implementing this Rule in their respective counties, subject to the approval of the United States Army Corps of Engineers.

*History Note: Authority G.S. 75A-3; 75A-15;*  
*Eff. December 1, 1984;*  
*Amended Eff. May 1, 2007; August 1, 1990; April 1, 1990;*  
*Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. December 6, 2016;*  
*Amended Eff. July 1, 2018.*

#### **15A NCAC 10F .0351 NEW BERN**

- (a) Regulated Area. This Rule shall apply to that part of the Trent River that is located within the city limits of New Bern in Craven County.
- (b) Speed Limit. No person shall operate a vessel at greater than no-wake speed on the Trent River between the Trent River Railroad Bridge and the Trent River Bridge on East Front Street.
- (c) Placement of Markers. The Board of Alderman of the City of New Bern shall be the designated agency for placement of the markers implementing this Rule, subject to the approval of the United States Coast Guard and the United States Army Corps of Engineers.

*History Note: Authority G.S. 75A-3; 75A-15;*  
*Eff. October 1, 1986;*  
*Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. December 6, 2016;*  
*Amended Eff. October 1, 2018.*

**15A NCAC 10F .0352 CAMDEN COUNTY**

(a) Regulated Areas. This Rule shall apply to the waters described below:

- (1) the waters of Edgewater Canal, beginning at a point at 36.17539 N, 75.97945 W, parallel with and along the south shore of Camden Point and the connecting channels to Albemarle Sound in Camden County;
- (2) the portion of Turners Cut, otherwise known as South Mills Shore Canal, for a distance of approximately 1000 feet, south of a line from a point on the east shore at 36.41129 N, 76.30598 W to a point on the west shore at 36.41096 N, 76.30654 W and north of a line from a point on the east shore at 36.40912 N, 76.30402 W to a point on the west shore at 36.40880 N, 76.30462 W;
- (3) the canals of Whitehall Shores subdivision on the Pasquotank River; and
- (4) the cove south of Sawyers Creek on the east side of the Pasquotank River in the town of Camden, east of a line from a point on the north shore at 36.32353 N, 76.18054 W to a point on the south shore at 36.32254 N, 76.18017 W.

(b) Speed Limit. No person shall operate a vessel at greater than no-wake speed within the regulated area described in Paragraph (a) of this Rule.

(c) Placement of Markers. The Board of Commissioners of Camden County shall be the designated agency for placement of the markers implementing this Rule, subject to the approval of the United States Coast Guard and the United States Army Corps of Engineers.

*History Note: Authority G.S. 75A-3; 75A-15;  
Eff. June 1, 1987;  
Amended Eff. January 1, 1989;  
Temporary Amendment Eff. March 15, 2003;  
Temporary Amendment Expired October 12, 2003;  
Amended Eff. February 1, 2014; May 1, 2013; May 1, 2004;  
Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. December 6, 2016;  
Amended Eff. October 1, 2018.*

**15A NCAC 10F .0353 MOUNTAIN ISLAND LAKE - MECKLENBURG, GASTON AND LINCOLN COUNTIES**

(a) Regulated Area. This Rule shall apply to Mountain Island Lake in Mecklenburg, Gaston, and Lincoln counties:

- (1) the cove lying north of Historic Latta Plantation Park in Mecklenburg County, southeast of a line from a point on the southwest shore at 35.35772 N, 80.92474 W to a point on the northeast shore at 35.36019 N, 80.91935 W;
- (2) Duck Cove in Cowan's Ford Wildlife Refuge in Mecklenburg County, beginning at the mouth of the cove at 35.38097 N, 80.97894 W;
- (3) a portion of the south prong of Nance Cove in Mecklenburg County, south of a line from a point on the west shore at 35.33982 N, 80.95313 W to a point on the east shore at 35.34010 N, 80.95185 W, and the waters of the west prong of Nance Cove between SR 2253, otherwise known as Nance Cove Road, and SR 5510 otherwise known as Haymarket Road, south of a line at the mouth of the cove's west prong from a point on the west shore at 35.34547 N, 80.955677 W to a point on the east shore at 35.34506 N, 80.95578 W;
- (4) the area within 50 yards shore to shore, northeast and southwest of the N.C. Highway 16 bridge, otherwise known as Brookshire Boulevard bridge, in Mecklenburg and Gaston counties;
- (5) Neck Cove in Mecklenburg County shore to shore, north of a line from a point on the west shore at 35.36706 N, 80.93263 W to a point on the east shore at 35.36708 N, 80.93113 W;
- (6) Gar Creek in Mecklenburg County, east of a line from a point on the north shore at 35.34885 N, 80.92746 W to a point on the south shore at 35.34804 N, 80.92774 W, and west of a line from a point on the north shore at 35.34887 N, 80.92686 W to a point on the south shore at 35.34840 N, 80.92585 W;
- (7) Whispering Cove in Mecklenburg County, south of a line from a point on the west shore at 35.34119 N, 80.97570 W to a point on the east shore at 35.34079 N, 80.97477 W; and
- (8) shore to shore within 50 yards north and south of the N.C. Highway 73 bridge in Mecklenburg and Gaston counties.

- (b) Speed Limit. No person shall operate a vessel at greater than no-wake speed within the regulated area described in Paragraph (a) of this Rule.
- (c) Placement of Markers. The Boards of Commissioners of Mecklenburg County, of Gaston County, and of Lincoln County shall be the designated agencies for placement of markers implementing this Rule for regulated areas within their territorial jurisdictions.

*History Note:* Authority G.S. 75A-3; 75A-15;  
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Temporary Amendment Eff. April 1, 2000;  
Amended Eff. January 1, 2015; July 1, 2000;  
Readopted Eff. October 1, 2018.

#### **15A NCAC 10F .0354 PITT COUNTY**

(a) Regulated Areas. This Rule shall apply to the waters described in this Paragraph:

- (1) the waters of Tar River, known as Hardee Creek, shore to shore, west of a line at its confluence with the main course of Tar River from a point on the north shore at 35.59878 N, 77.31168 W to a point on the south shore at 35.59813 N, 77.31157 W;
- (2) the portion of Tranters Creek east of a line from a point on the north shore at 35.56961 N, 77.09159 W to a point on the south shore at 35.56888 N, 77.09118 W and north of a line from a point on the east shore at 35.56714 N, 77.08941 W to a point on the west shore at 35.56689 N, 77.09029 W; and
- (3) the waters of Barber Creek at Wildwood Park in the City of Greenville shore to shore, north of its confluence with Tar River at a point at 35.60719 N, 77.32890 W.

(b) Speed Limit. No person shall operate a vessel at greater than no-wake speed within the regulated areas described in Paragraph (a) of this Rule.

(c) Placement of Markers. The following agencies shall be responsible for placement of the markers implementing this Rule, subject to the approval of the United States Coast Guard and the United States Army Corps of Engineers:

- (1) The Board of Commissioners of Pitt County for those waters listed in Subparagraphs (a)(1) and (a)(2) of this Rule; and
- (2) The City of Greenville for the waters listed in Subparagraph (a)(3) of this Rule.

*History Note:* Authority G.S. 75A-3; 75A-15;  
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#### **15A NCAC 10F .0355 PERQUIMANS COUNTY**

(a) Regulated Areas. This Rule shall apply to the following waters:

- (1) Perquimans River:
  - (A) the canals of Holiday Island subdivision at Albemarle Sound; and
  - (B) Town of Hertford: 550 yards southwest of the Perquimans River Bridge on U.S. Highway 17 Business, otherwise known as the Hertford S - Bridge, at a line from a point on the north shore at 36.19305 N, 76.46957 W to a point on the south shore at 36.19150 N, 76.47099 W, and 190 yards northeast of the bridge at a line from a point in the Perquimans River at 36.19530 N, 76.46518 W, eastward to Day Marker #11, then southeast to a point on the shore at 36.19337 N, 76.46367 W.
- (2) Yeopim River:
  - (A) the canal between Navaho Trail and Cherokee Trail beginning at a point at 36.07893 N, 76.42278 W;
  - (B) the canal between Cherokee Trail and Ashe Street beginning at a point at 36.07865 N, 76.42603 W;
  - (C) within 50 yards of the boat ramp at Ashe and Pine Street;
  - (D) the canal between Pine Street and Linden Street beginning at a point at 36.07951 N, 76.43402 W;

- (E) the canal between Willow Street and Evergreen Drive beginning at a point at 36.08005 N, 76.43735 W;
  - (F) the canal between Sago Street and Alder Street beginning at a point at 36.07986 N, 76.44063 W; and
  - (G) Bethel Creek north of a line from a point on the west shore at 36.09566 N, 76.47928 W to a point on the east shore at 36.09534 N, 76.47738 W to a line from a point on the west shore at 36.10532 N, 76.48080 W to a point on the east shore at 36.10516 N, 76.48047 W.
- (3) Yeopim Creek:
- (A) the canal between Mohave Trail and Iowa Trail beginning at a point at 36.08521 N, 76.41802 W;
  - (B) the canal between Iowa Trail and Shawnee Trail beginning at a point at 36.08511 N, 76.41763 W;
  - (C) the area within 75 yards of the Albemarle Plantation Marina Piers;
  - (D) the area of the cove known as Beaver Cove, shore to shore beginning at a point at 36.08767 N, 76.42151 W; and
  - (E) the waters of Yeopim Creek adjacent to Heritage Shores North, shore to shore, east of a line from a point on the north shore at 36.11356 N, 76.43138 W to a point on the south shore at 36.11288 N, 76.43173 W, to a line northwest from a point on the east shore at 36.11219 N, 76.42445 W to a point on the west shore at 36.11178 N, 76.42596 W.
- (4) Little River: the entrance to the cove known as Muddy Gut Canal that extends from the waters known as Deep Creek, shore to shore beginning at a line from a point on the east shore at 36.17729 N, 76.28011 W to a point on the west shore at 36.17667 N, 76.28331 W.
- (b) Speed Limit. No person shall operate a vessel at greater than no-wake speed within the regulated area described in Paragraph (a) of this Rule.
- (c) Swimming Area. No person operating or responsible for the operation of a vessel shall permit it to enter the swimming area at the Snug Harbor Park and Beach on the Yeopim River.
- (d) Placement of Markers. The Board of Commissioners of Perquimans County is the designated agency for placement of markers implementing this Rule, subject to the approval of the United States Coast Guard and the United States Army Corps of Engineers.

*History Note:* Authority G.S. 75A-3; 75A-15;  
 Eff. November 1, 1988;  
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 Temporary Amendment Eff. October 1, 1997;  
 Amended Eff. July 1, 1998;  
 Temporary Amendment Eff. February 4, 2000;  
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 Amended Eff. June 1, 2023; October 1, 2018; June 1, 2017.

#### **15A NCAC 10F .0356 PASQUOTANK COUNTY**

- (a) Regulated Area. This area shall apply to the canals of the Glen Cove Subdivision in Pasquotank County.
- (b) Speed Limit. No person shall operate a vessel at greater than no-wake speed while on the waters of the regulated area designated in Paragraph (a) of this Rule.
- (c) Placement of Markers. The Board of County Commissioners of Pasquotank County shall be the designated agency for placement of the markers implementing this Rule, subject to the approval of the United States Coast Guard and the United States Army Corps of Engineers.

*History Note:* Authority G.S. 75A-3; 75A-15;  
 Eff. December 1, 1988;  
 Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. December 6, 2016;  
 Amended Eff. October 1, 2018.

**15A NCAC 10F .0357 NASH COUNTY**

(a) Regulated Area. This Rule shall apply to the following waters of the Tar River Reservoir near the City of Rocky Mount in Nash County:

- (1) beginning 50 yards northwest of the bridge located on SR 1745, otherwise known as Bend of the River Road, from a line northwest of the bridge at a point on the south shore at 35.88347 N, 77.89666 W, northeast to a point in the water at 35.88395 N, 77.89576 W, and ending southeast of the bridge at a point within 50 yards of the Bend of the River boat ramp located at 35.88224 N, 77.89605 W.
- (2) beginning 185 yards northwest of the Sapony Creek bridge and boat ramp located on SR 1603, otherwise known as S. Old Carriage Road at 35.88545 N, 77.91154 W, shore to shore at a line from a point on the south shore at 35.88540 N, 77.91365 W to a point on the north shore at 35.88643 N, 77.91309 W, and ending at a line east of the bridge from a point on the south shore at 35.88479 N, 77.91148 W to a point on the northeast shore at 35.88565 N, 77.91085 W; and
- (3) the waters 50 yards southwest of the Low Bridge on SR 1603 otherwise known as S. Old Carriage Road from a point in the water at 35.85446 N, 77.90760 W to a line northeast of the bridge shore to shore, from a point on the southeast shore at 35.85590 N, 77.90545 W to a point on the northwest shore at 35.85718 N, 77.90757 W.

(b) Speed Limit. No person shall operate a vessel at greater than no-wake speed within any of the regulated areas described in Paragraph (a) of this Rule.

(c) Placement of Markers. The City of Rocky Mount shall be the designated agency for the placement of markers implementing this Rule.

*History Note: Authority G.S. 75A-3; 75A-15;  
Eff. May 1, 1989;  
Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. December 6, 2016;  
Amended Eff. October 1, 2018.*

**15A NCAC 10F .0358 JONES COUNTY**

(a) Regulated Area. This Rule shall apply to the waters of the Trent River shore to shore in Pollocksville, from a line 25 yards west of the U.S. Highway 17 bridge from a point on the north shore at 35.01023 N, 77.21938 W to a point on the south shore at 35.00979 N, 77.21942 W, eastward to a line 100 yards east of the Pollocksville Public Fishing and Boating Access Area, from a point on the north shore at 35.00967 N, 77.21696 W to a point on the south shore at 35.00931 N, 77.21718 W.

(b) Speed Limit. No person shall operate a vessel at greater than no-wake speed within the regulated area described in Paragraph (a) of this Rule.

(c) Placement of Markers. The Jones County Board of Commissioners shall be the designated agency for placement of the markers implementing this Rule.

*History Note: Authority G.S. 75A-3; 75A-15;  
Eff. May 1, 1989;  
Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. December 6, 2016;  
Amended Eff. October 1, 2018.*

**15A NCAC 10F .0359 CHEROKEE COUNTY**

(a) Regulated Areas. This Rule shall apply to the following waters of Hiwassee Lake:

- (1) Dukes Hideaway Marina cove shore to shore, east of a line from a point on the north shore at 35.11989 N, 84.10420 W to a point on the south shore at 35.11902 N, 84.10386 W;
- (2) Shooks Marina cove shore to shore, south of a line from a point on the northwest shore at 35.15458 N, 84.14425 W to a point on the southeast shore at 35.15462 N, 84.14291 W;
- (3) Mountain View Marina cove, shore to shore, west of a line from a point on the north shore at 35.15270 N, 84.16471 W to a point on the south shore at 35.15120 N, 84.16313 W;
- (4) within 50 yards of the Tennessee Valley Authority boat launch at Micken Branch Ramp at 35.11890 N, 84.16806 W;



- (5) Harbor Cove Marina cove, shore to shore, west of a line from a point on the north shore at 35.13899 N, 84.17592 W to a point on the south shore at 35.13771 N, 84.17593 W;
- (b) Speed Limit. No person shall operate a vessel at greater than no-wake speed on the waters of the regulated areas as described in Paragraph (a) of this Rule.
- (c) Placement of Markers. The Cherokee County Board of Commissioners shall be the designated agency for the placement of markers implementing this Rule, subject to the authority of the Tennessee Valley Authority and the United States Army Corps of Engineers.

*History Note: Authority G.S. 75A-3; 75A-15;*  
*Eff. May 1, 1989;*  
*Amended Eff. November 1, 2007; May 1, 2006;*  
*Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. December 6, 2016;*  
*Amended Eff. October 1, 2018.*

**15A NCAC 10F .0360 GRAHAM COUNTY**

- (a) Regulated Area. This Rule shall apply to the following waters in Graham County:
- (1) Santeetlah Marina cove on Santeetlah Lake, shore to shore north of a line from a point on the west shore at 35.36435 N, 83.85841 W to a point on the northeast shore at 35.36532 N, 83.85529 W;
  - (2) Fontana Village Resort Marina cove on Fontana Lake, shore to shore west of a line from a point on the north shore at 35.44294 N, 83.78900 W to a point on the south shore at 35.44077 N, 83.78936 W;
  - (3) within 50 yards of the Prince Boat Dock Marina at 237 Prince Boat Dock Road in Almond, and its docks and mooring areas on Fontana Lake;
  - (4) within 50 yards of the Crisp Boat Dock on Town Branch off of Panther Creek on Fontana Lake, near the northern end of SR 1234 otherwise known as Lower Panther Creek Road in Robbinsville;
  - (5) within 50 yards of the Deyton Camp Boat Dock on Santeetlah Lake at 270 Deyton Camp Road otherwise known as SR 1153, in Robbinsville; and
  - (6) east of the mouth of Cheoah Point Cove on Santeetlah Lake, beginning at a point at 35.37246 N, 83.87081 W.
- (b) Speed Limit. No person shall operate a vessel at greater than no-wake speed within the regulated areas described in Paragraph (a) of this Rule.
- (c) Cheoah Point Swimming Area, Lake Santeetlah - No person shall operate a vessel within the Cheoah Point Swimming Area which begins at the head of Cheoah Point Cove.
- (d) Placement of Markers. The Graham County Board of Commissioners shall be the designated agency for the placement of markers implementing this Rule, subject to the authority of the Tennessee Valley Authority and the United States Army Corps of Engineers.

*History Note: Authority G.S. 75A-3; 75A-15;*  
*Eff. May 1, 1989;*  
*Amended Eff. February 1, 1996; February 1, 1994; September 1, 1989;*  
*Temporary Amendment Eff. January 1, 1998;*  
*Amended Eff. May 1, 2004; July 1, 1998;*  
*Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. December 6, 2016;*  
*Amended Eff. October 1, 2018.*

**15A NCAC 10F .0361 WILKES COUNTY**

- (a) Regulated Areas. This Rule shall apply to the following waters on W. Kerr Scott Reservoir in Wilkes County:
- (1) the waters of Dam Site Park Cove at Dam Site Shelter, 499 Reservoir Road, Wilkesboro, south of a line at the mouth of the cove from a point on the east shore at 36.13090 N, 81.22955 W to a point on the west shore at 36.13040 N, 81.23122;
  - (2) the waters of the cove at Skyline Marina, 4008 W. N.C. Hwy 268, Wilkesboro, south of a line at the mouth of the cove from a point on the east shore at 36.12738 N, 81.23530 W to a point on the west shore at 36.12608 N, 81.23847 W;

- (3) the waters of the cove north and west of Berry Mountain Park, 4732 W. N.C. Hwy 268, Wilkesboro, south of a line at the mouth of the cove from a point on the east shore at 36.12558 N, 81.24025 W to a point on the west shore at 36.12545 N, 81.24245 W, surrounding the Berry Mountain swim beach, and to the southwest to the end of the cove;
  - (4) within 50 yards of the Boomer Park boat ramp, 400 Boomer Road, Boomer;
  - (5) within 50 yards of the Keowee boat ramp, 7659 N.C. Hwy 268, Boomer;
  - (6) the waters of the cove where Smithey's Creek boat ramp and Fort Hamby boat ramp are located, northwest of a line at the mouth of the cove from a point on the east shore at 36.12612 N, 81.26129 W to a point on the west shore at 36.12361 N, 81.26404 W;
  - (7) the waters within 50 yards north and 50 yards south of the N.C. Hwy 268 Bridge, at 36.09902 N, 81.28070 W;
  - (8) the waters within 50 yards surrounding the Boomer Park Beach Swim Area located at 400 Boomer Road, Boomer;
  - (9) the waters within 50 yards surrounding the Fort Hamby Swim Area located at 36.12314 N, 81.26870 W, near 1534 S. Recreation Road, Wilkesboro; and
  - (10) the waters of the cove where the Warrior Creek Swim Area is located, southwest of a line at the mouth of the cove from a point on the south shore at 36.10494 N, 81.28304 W to a point on the north shore at 36.10591 N, 81.28412 W.
- (b) **Swimming Areas.** No person operating or responsible for the operation of a vessel shall permit it to enter the waters of the following swim areas:
- (1) the waters of the Fort Hamby Swim Area located at 36.12314 N, 81.26870 W, near 1534 S. Recreation Road, Wilkesboro;
  - (2) the waters of Warrior Creek Swim Area located at 36.10367 N, 81.28664 W, at 7659 W. Hwy 268, Boomer;
  - (3) the waters of Boomer Park Beach Swim Area located at 36.09271 N, 81.27967 W, 400 Boomer Road, Boomer;
  - (4) the waters of the Berry Mountain Park Swim Beach located at 36.12498 N, 81.24010 W, 4732 W. N.C. Hwy 268, Wilkesboro; and
  - (5) the waters of the Bandit's Roost Park Swim Area located at 36.12425 N, 81.25172 W, 667 Jess Walsh Road, Wilkesboro.
- (c) **Safety Zone.** Except for authorized persons and vessels, no entry shall be allowed in the waters 50 yards downstream from the W. Kerr Scott Dam and Intake Tower.
- (d) **Speed Limit.** No person shall operate a vessel at greater than no wake speed within the regulated areas described in Paragraph (a) of this Rule.
- (e) **Placement of Markers.** The Wilkes County Board of Commissioners and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers shall be the designated agencies for placement and maintenance of the markers implementing this Rule, subject to the authority of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

*History Note: Authority G.S. 75A-3; 75A-15;  
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## **15A NCAC 10F .0362 HARNETT COUNTY**

- (a) **Regulated Area.** This Rule shall apply to the following waters in Harnett County:
- (1) the waters of Lake Carolina within 50 yards of any marked boat launching ramp, boat service area, boat pier, boat dock, boat mooring area, boat storage structure, or bridge; and
  - (2) the canal between Lake Carolina and Ski Lake from its west end at Lake Carolina at a point at 35.28164 N, 79.03218 W to its east end where it enters Ski Lake at a point at 35.28038 N, 79.02662 W.
- (b) **Restricted Zones.** Except for authorized personnel of State, County, and Municipal governments and emergency response personnel, no person shall operate a vessel in any restricted zone marked to prevent entry by boats, including designated swimming areas and danger zones near dams and spillways.
- (c) **Speed Limit.** No person shall operate a vessel at greater than no-wake speed within any of the regulated areas delineated in Paragraph (a) of this Rule.

(d) Placement of Markers. The Board of Commissioners of Harnett County shall be the designated agency for placement and maintenance of markers implementing this Rule.

*History Note:* Authority G.S. 75A-3; 75A-15;  
Eff. August 1, 1990;  
Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. December 6, 2016;  
Amended Eff. October 1, 2018.

#### **15A NCAC 10F .0363 CASWELL AND PERSON COUNTIES**

- (a) Regulated Areas. This Rule applies to the waters of Hyco Lake in Caswell and Person counties.
- (b) Speed Limit Near Bridges. No person shall operate a vessel at greater than no-wake speed within 50 yards of a bridge that crosses the waters of Hyco Lake.
- (c) Speed Limit in Canals. No person shall operate a vessel at greater than no-wake speed within canals on Hyco Lake.
- (d) Placement and Maintenance of Markers. The Boards of Commissioners of Caswell and Person Counties are the designated agencies for placement and maintenance of the markers implementing this Rule.

*History Note:* Authority G.S. 75A-3; 75A-15;  
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#### **15A NCAC 10F .0364 GREENSBORO**

- (a) Regulated Area. This Rule shall apply to the waters of Lake Brandt, Lake Higgins, and Lake Townsend, otherwise known as Greensboro Municipal Reservoirs, within the city limits of Greensboro in Guilford County.
- (b) Speed Limit. No person shall operate a vessel at greater than no wake speed within 50 yards of any marked public boat launching ramp, bridge, dock, marina, boat storage structure, boat service area or pier operated by the City of Greensboro for public use.
- (c) Restricted Zones. No person operating or responsible for the operation of any vessel shall permit it to enter any restricted zone marked to prevent entry by vessels.
- (d) Placement of Markers. The Board of Commissioners of Guilford County shall be the designated agency for placement of markers implementing this Rule.

*History Note:* Authority G.S. 75A-3; 75A-15;  
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Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. December 6, 2016;  
Amended Eff. October 1, 2018.

#### **15A NCAC 10F .0365 TYRRELL COUNTY**

- (a) Regulated Area. This Rule shall apply to the following waters in Tyrrell County:
  - (1) the portion of the Scuppernong River from 300 yards north-northwest of the U.S. Highway 64 bridge to 100 yards south-southwest of the U.S. Highway 64 bridge.
  - (2) the portion of the Scuppernong River from the point where the canal to the Columbia Boating Access Areas intersects the river and extending 200 feet into the river.
  - (3) the waters of the canal that leads to the marina at Taylor's Beach on Albemarle Sound in Columbia, beginning at a point at 35.95559 N, 76.30219 W.
- (b) Speed Limit. No person shall operate a vessel at greater than no-wake speed in the regulated areas described in Paragraph (a) of this Rule.
- (c) Placement of Markers. The Board of Commissioners of Tyrrell County shall be the designated agency for the placement of the markers implementing this Rule, subject to the approval of the United States Coast Guard and the United States Army Corps of Engineers.

*History Note:* Authority G.S. 75A-3; 75A-15;

*Eff. December 1, 1993;*  
*Amended Eff. September 1, 2011; December 1, 1994;*  
*Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. December 6, 2016;*  
*Amended Eff. October 1, 2018.*

**15A NCAC 10F .0366     MACON COUNTY**

(a) Regulated Area. This Rule shall apply to the following waters of Nantahala Lake:

- (1) Lakes End Cove west of SR 1310 otherwise known as Wayah Road in Tipton, shore to shore north of a line from a point on the west shore at 35.19602 N, 83.64184 W to a point on the east shore at 35.19544 N, 83.64053 W; and
- (2) the area within 100 yards of a point at 35.16570 N, 83.64686 W at the end of the Mountain Shadows Community dock, in Tipton.

(b) Speed Limit. No person shall operate a vessel at greater than no-wake speed in the waters of the regulated area specified in Paragraph (a) of this Rule.

(c) Placement of Markers. The Board of Commissioners of Macon County shall be the designated agency for placement of the markers implementing this Rule.

*History Note:     Authority G.S. 75A-3; 75A-15;*  
*Eff. June 1, 1994;*  
*Amended Eff. October 1, 2016; June 1, 2005;*  
*Readopted Eff. October 1, 2018.*

**15A NCAC 10F .0367     HOKE COUNTY**

(a) Regulated Area. This Rule shall apply to the waters of Rockfish Creek at Camp Rockfish shore to shore, from a line at a point on the north shore at 34.95415 N, 79.03833 W to a point on the south shore at 34.95372 N, 79.03865 W, eastward to a line from a point on the north shore at 34.95439 N, 79.03660 W to a point on the south shore at 34.95351 N, 79.03773 W.

(b) Speed Limit. No person shall operate a vessel at greater than no-wake speed within any of the regulated area described in Paragraph (a) of this Rule.

(c) Placement and Maintenance of Markers. The Hoke County Board of Commissioners shall be the designated agency for placement and maintenance of the markers implementing this Rule.

*History Note:     Authority G.S. 75A-3; 75A-15;*  
*Temporary Adoption Eff. April 1, 1999;*  
*Eff. July 1, 2000;*  
*Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. December 6, 2016;*  
*Amended Eff. October 1, 2018.*

**15A NCAC 10F .0368     TOWN OF NAGS HEAD**

(a) Regulated Area. This Rule shall apply to the waters of the Roanoke Sound extending 600 feet from the shoreline; from the northern boundary of the Old Nags Head Cove Subdivision at a point at 35.95136 N, 75.63233 W to the southern boundary of the Old Nags Head Cove Subdivision at a point at 35.93676 N, 75.62223 W.

(b) Speed Limit. No person shall operate a vessel at greater than no-wake speed within any of the regulated area described in Paragraph (a) of this Rule.

(c) Placement of Markers. The Town of Nags Head shall be the designated agency for placement of the markers implementing this Rule, subject to the approval of the United States Coast Guard and United States Army of Corps of Engineers.

*History Note:     Authority G.S. 71A-15; 72A-3;*  
*Temporary Adoption Eff. July 1, 2002;*  
*Eff. April 1, 2003;*  
*Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. December 6, 2016;*  
*Amended Eff. October 1, 2018.*

**15A NCAC 10F .0369 TOWN OF SWANSBORO**

(a) Regulated Area. This Rule shall apply to the waters of the White Oak River within approximately 50 yards of the shoreline of the Swansboro Town Limits in Onslow County and outside the United States Army Corps of Engineers Swansboro Channel setback, as marked by no-wake buoys, beginning at the N.C. Highway 24 bridge and ending at a point 50 yards southwest of the Casper's Marina pier at 34.68495 N, 77.12195 W.

(b) Speed Limit. No person shall operate a vessel at greater than no-wake speed within any of the regulated area described in Paragraph (a) of this Rule.

(c) Placement of Markers. The Town of Swansboro shall be the designated agency for placement of the markers implementing this Rule, subject to the approval of the United States Coast Guard and United States Army Corps of Engineers.

*History Note: Authority G.S. 71A-15; 72A-3;  
Eff. October 1, 2004;  
Amended Eff. June 1, 2005;  
Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. December 6, 2016;  
Amended Eff. October 1, 2018.*

**15A NCAC 10F .0370 CITY OF ROCKY MOUNT – ROCKY MOUNT MILLPOND DAM SAFETY ZONE**

(a) Regulated Area. The waters of the Tar River shore to shore, beginning west of the Falls Road bridge on N.C. Highway 48/43 Business at a point at 35.96016 N, 77.80447 W, extending eastward and ending at the Rocky Mount Millpond Dam and associated abutments and structures, shall be a designated safety zone. Access by swimming or entry of a person in or upon a vessel or any floating object shall be prohibited within the safety zone.

(b) Paragraph (a) of this Rule shall not apply to persons who, with consent of the City of Rocky Mount, require access for maintaining or repairing facilities associated with the Rocky Mount Millpond Dam, abutments and structures or the Rocky Mount Mills.

(c) Placement of Markers. The City of Rocky Mount shall be the designated entity for placement and maintenance of buoys and other signs implementing this Rule.

*History Note: Authority G.S. 75A-3; 75A-15;  
Eff. May 1, 2004;  
Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. December 6, 2016;  
Amended Eff. October 1, 2019; October 1, 2018.*

**15A NCAC 10F .0371 BELEWS LAKE IN STOKES COUNTY**

(a) Regulated Area. This Rule shall apply to the areas described in Paragraphs (b) and (c) in Belews Lake in Stokes County.

(b) No swimming or boating in exclusionary zone. No swimming or other entry of a person in or upon a boat, raft, or other floating object shall be permitted in the exclusionary zone in the cove containing the power station's plant intake on the western side of Belews Lake, approximately 1,000 feet northeast of Belews Creek Steam Station, as marked by warning buoys and signs.

(c) No swimming or boating in evacuation area in event of alarm. In the event of a siren or audible alarm generated by the Belews Creek Steam Station, all persons swimming, boating, or occupying a raft or other floating object on the lake shall evacuate the area on the western side of Belews Lake approximately 4,000 feet northeast of Belews Creek Station as marked by warning buoys and signs.

(d) Paragraphs (b) and (c) of this Rule shall not apply to persons who, with consent of Duke Energy Corporation, access the area for the purpose of responding to an emergency or maintaining or repairing facilities of Duke Energy Corporation.

(e) Placement and Maintenance of Markers. The Duke Energy Corporation shall be the designated entity for placement and maintenance of buoys, barriers and other signs implementing this Rule.

*History Note: Authority G.S. 75A-3; 75A-15;  
Emergency Adoption Eff. August 1, 2005;*

*Temporary Adoption Eff. November 1, 2005;*

*Eff. February 1, 2006;*

*Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. December 6, 2016;*

*Amended Eff. October 1, 2018.*

**15A NCAC 10F .0372     HERTFORD COUNTY**

(a) Regulated Area. This Rule shall apply to the portion of the Chowan River at Tuscarora Beach within 65 yards of the shoreline, from a point on the south shore at 36.39028 N, 76.91214 W to a point on the south shore at 36.38820 N, 76.90726 W.

(b) Speed Limit. No person shall operate a vessel at greater than no-wake speed within any of the regulated areas described in Paragraph (a) of this Rule.

(c) Placement of Markers. The County of Hertford shall be the designated agency for placement of the markers implementing this Rule.

*History Note:     Authority G.S. 75A-3; 75A-15;*

*Eff. May 1, 2006;*

*Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. December 6, 2016;*

*Amended Eff. October 1, 2018.*

**15A NCAC 10F .0373     TRANSYLVANIA COUNTY**

(a) Regulated Area. This Rule shall apply to Lake Toxaway.

(b) Speed Limit. No person shall operate a vessel at greater than no-wake speed within the Lake Toxaway Country Club Marina cove, south of a line from a point on the west shore at 35.14136 N, 82.95424 W to a point on the east shore at 35.14126 N, 82.95303 W.

(c) Placement and Maintenance of Markers. The Board of Commissioners of Transylvania County shall be the designated agency for placement and maintenance of markers implementing this Rule.

*History Note:     Authority G.S. 75A-3; 75A-15;*

*Eff. November 1, 2007;*

*Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. December 6, 2016;*

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**15A NCAC 10F .0374     CUBE HYDRO CAROLINAS SAFETY ZONES AND RESTRICTED ZONES AREAS**

(a) Regulated Areas. This Rule shall apply to the following hydroelectric stations, dams, associated structures, abutments, and equipment:

- (1) High Rock Hydroelectric Station on the Yadkin River in Rowan and Davidson counties;
- (2) Tuckertown Hydroelectric Station on the Yadkin River in Stanly and Montgomery counties;
- (3) Narrows Hydroelectric Station on the Yadkin River in Stanly and Montgomery counties; and
- (4) Falls Hydroelectric Station on the Yadkin River in Stanly and Montgomery counties.

(b) Safety Zones. Except for Cube Hydro Carolinas and Commission personnel, no entry shall be allowed in the waters listed below unless authorized by Cube Hydro Carolinas:

- (1) Yadkin River in Rowan and Davidson counties, 200 feet downstream from the powerhouse, turbines, or generator discharge that mechanically propels or accelerates the flow of water at the High Rock Hydroelectric Station;
- (2) Yadkin River in Stanly and Montgomery counties, 200 feet downstream from the powerhouse, turbines, or generator discharge that mechanically propels or accelerates the flow of water at the Tuckertown Hydroelectric Station;
- (3) Yadkin River in Stanly and Montgomery counties, one hundred feet directly in front of the powerhouse, turbines, or generator discharge that mechanically propels or accelerates the flow of water at the Narrows Hydroelectric Station; and

- (4) Yadkin River in Stanly and Montgomery counties, 100 feet downstream from the powerhouse, turbines, or generator discharge that mechanically propels or accelerates the flow of water at the Falls Hydroelectric Station.
- (c) Restricted Areas. Restricted Areas shall be located 200 feet upstream and 200 feet downstream from the hydroelectric stations described in Paragraph (a) of this Rule. Individuals in or upon a vessel in a restricted area shall wear a U.S. Coast Guard-approved personal flotation device as described in Rule .0201 of this Subchapter.
- (d) Swimming. Swimming shall be prohibited in restricted areas.
- (e) Firearms. No person shall discharge a firearm within a restricted area.
- (f) No vessel shall tie off to the hydroelectric station structure or the accessory structures, anchor, or secure a vessel in the restricted areas described in Paragraph (a) of this Rule.
- (g) Paragraph (f) of this Rule shall not apply to persons who enter with consent of Cube Hydro Carolinas to maintain, repair, or evaluate facilities of Cube Hydro Carolinas; law enforcement or emergency personnel; or State employees acting in an official capacity.
- (h) Placement and Maintenance of Markers. Cube Hydro Carolinas shall place and maintain buoys and other signs implementing this Rule.

*History Note: Authority G.S. 75A-3; 75A-15;  
Eff. January 1, 2008;  
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#### **15A NCAC 10F .0375 DUKE ENERGY CORPORATION HYDROELECTRIC STATION SAFETY ZONES**

- (a) Regulated Area. This Rule shall apply to the area one hundred feet upstream or downstream from the stations and dams, and associated structures, abutments and equipment of the Duke Energy Corporation hydroelectric stations and dams listed in Paragraph (f) of this Rule.
- (b) Fishing. Except as otherwise provided in this Paragraph or in Paragraph (c) of this Rule, no person shall enter the waters within the regulated areas described in Paragraph (a) of this Rule. Persons engaged in fishing within the regulated areas described in Paragraph (a) of this Rule may enter these waters in connection with such fishing activities and shall wear a United States Coast Guard-approved personal flotation device in serviceable condition and of appropriate size for the wearer.
- (c) Boating. Any person in or upon a boat, raft or other floating object that enters the regulated area described in Paragraph (a) of this Rule shall wear a United States Coast Guard-approved personal flotation device in serviceable condition and of appropriate size for the wearer. No vessel shall tie off to any part of the dam structure or the accessory portions, nor anchor or otherwise secure a vessel within regulated areas described in Paragraph (a) of this Rule.
- (d) Paragraph (c) of this Rule shall not apply to persons who enter with consent of Duke Energy Corporation for the purpose of maintaining, repairing or evaluating facilities of Duke Energy Corporation; law enforcement or emergency personnel; or North Carolina state employees acting in an official capacity.
- (e) Placement and Maintenance of Markers. Duke Energy Corporation shall be the designated entity for placement and maintenance of buoys and other signs implementing this Rule.
- (f) Duke Energy Corporation hydroelectric stations and dams affected by this Rule:
  - (1) Bridgewater Hydroelectric Station including Paddy Creek Dam, Linville Dam and Catawba Dam in the Catawba River in Burke and McDowell counties;
  - (2) Cowans Ford Hydroelectric Station including Cowans Ford Dam in the Catawba River in Lincoln and Mecklenburg counties;
  - (3) Lookout Hydroelectric Station including Lookout Dam in the Catawba River in Catawba and Iredell counties;
  - (4) Mountain Island Hydroelectric Station including Mountain Island Dam in the Catawba River in Gaston and Mecklenburg counties;
  - (5) Oxford Hydroelectric Station including Oxford Dam in the Catawba River in Alexander and Catawba counties;
  - (6) Rhodhiss Hydroelectric Station including Rhodhiss Dam in the Catawba River in Burke and Caldwell counties; and
  - (7) Tuxedo Hydroelectric Station including Tuxedo Dam in the Green River in Henderson County.

*History Note: Authority G.S. 75A-3; 75A-15;  
Eff. January 1, 2008;  
Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. December 6, 2016;  
Amended Eff. October 1, 2018.*

**15A NCAC 10F .0376 TOWN OF EMERALD ISLE**

(a) Regulated Area. This Rule shall apply to the following waters located in the Town of Emerald Isle in Carteret County:

- (1) Bogue Sound Drive Channel shore to shore, roughly parallel to the shoreline in the vicinity of Bogue Sound Drive, from a point where the channel meets Bogue Sound in the west at 34.67471 N, 76.98684 W to a point where it meets Bogue Sound in the east at 34.67588 N, 76.97760 W;
- (2) Coast Guard Channel shore to shore from the north entrance of the channel where it intersects Bogue Sound near 419 Channel Drive, south from a point in the water at 34.65348 N, 77.09560 W, to the west end of the channel where it intersects Bogue Sound, near 116 Bogue Court, east-northeast from a point in the water at 34.64820 N, 77.09731 W; and
- (3) the waters within approximately 100 yards of the shoreline of Bogue Sound adjacent to Archer Point, south of and including a portion of the Emerald Isle channel, bounded on the west side by a line running north from 34.67553 N, 77.01535 W to the northern side of the channel, and on the east side by a line running northeast from 34.67519 N, 77.01279 W to the northern side of the channel.

(b) Speed Limit. No person shall operate a vessel at greater than no-wake speed within any of the regulated area described in Paragraph (a) of this Rule.

(c) Placement of Markers. The Town of Emerald Isle shall be the designated agency for placement of the markers implementing this Rule, subject to the approval of the United States Coast Guard and the United States Army Corps of Engineers.

*History Note: Authority G.S. 75A-3; 75A-15;  
Eff. September 1, 2008;  
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Pursuant to G.S. 150B-21.3A, rule is necessary without substantive public interest Eff. December 6, 2016;  
Amended Eff. October 1, 2018.*

**15A NCAC 10F .0377 JACKSON COUNTY**

(a) This Rule applies to the public swimming area known as the Pines Recreation Swim Area on Lake Glenville. The public swimming area shall be marked with four no-boats buoys set at the following locations: 35.19789 N, 83.16094 W; 35.19758 N, 83.16064 W; 35.19742 N, 83.16031 W; and 35.19742 N, 83.15983 W.

(b) No person operating or responsible for the operation of a vessel shall permit it to enter the marked public swimming area described in Paragraph (a) of this Rule.

(c) Placement and Maintenance of Markers. The Board of Commissioners of Jackson County or Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC shall be designated as suitable entities for placement and maintenance of the markers implementing this Rule, subject to the approval of the United States Coast Guard and the United States Army Corps of Engineers.

*History Note: Authority G.S. 75A-3; 75A-15;  
Eff. May 1, 2016.*

**15A NCAC 10F .0378 HALIFAX COUNTY**

(a) Regulated Areas. This Rule shall apply to the following waters in Halifax County:

- (1) Roanoke Rapids Lake.
  - (A) within 50 yards north and south of the abandoned railroad trestle at the location where Deep Creek meets Roanoke Raids Lake in Roanoke Rapids, northwest of Windsong Drive;
  - (B) within 50 yards of the Thelma Boating Access Area, 1011 Van Warren Road, Roanoke Rapids; and



- (C) within 50 yards of the Fifth Street Landing Boating Access Area, 1919 W. Fifth Street, Roanoke Rapids.
  - (2) Roanoke River.
    - (A) Within 50 yards of the Weldon Boating Access Area, 1090 Rockfish Lane, Weldon; and
    - (B) within 50 yards of the Edwards Ferry Boating Access Area, 89 U.S. Highway 258, Scotland Neck.
  - (3) Lake Gaston within 50 yards of Summit Boating Access Area at 432 Bluebird Lane, Littleton.
- (b) Speed Limit. No person shall operate a vessel at greater than no-wake speed within any of the regulated areas described in Paragraph (a) of this Rule.
- (c) Placement of Markers. The North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission shall be the designated agency for placement and maintenance of the markers implementing this Rule, subject to the approval of the United States Coast Guard and United States Army Corps of Engineers.

*History Note:* Authority G.S. 75A-3; 75A-15;  
Eff. June 1, 2022.

**15A NCAC 10F .0379 CITY OF ROXBORO**

- (a) Regulated Area. This Rule applies to the waters of Lake Roxboro, located near Frogsboro in Person and Caswell counties, in the channel between a line shore to shore from 36.32069 N, 79.15373 W, and a line shore to shore at 36.31651 N, 79.15165 W.
- (b) Speed Limit. No person shall operate a vessel at greater than no-wake speed within the regulated area described in Paragraph (a) of this Rule.
- (c) Placement of Markers. The City of Roxboro is the designated agency for placement and maintenance of the markers implementing this Rule.

*History Note:* Authority G.S. 75A-3; 75A-15;  
Eff. June 1, 2023.

**15A NCAC 10F .0380 TOWN OF RHODHISS**

- (a) Regulated Area. This rule applies to the waters of Lake Hickory in the Town of Rhodhiss in Burke and Caldwell counties, shore to shore, beginning west of a line 165 yards east of the S.R. 1611 Bridge from a point on the north shore at 35.77322 N, 81.42891 W to a point on the south shore at 35.77179 N, 81.42910 W, westward ending at the Rhodhiss Dam.
- (b) Speed Limit. No person shall operate a vessel at greater than no-wake speed within the regulated area described in Paragraph (a) of this Rule.
- (c) Placement and Maintenance of Markers. The Town of Rhodhiss shall place and maintain the markers implementing this Rule, subject to the approval of the United States Army Corps of Engineers.

*History Note:* Authority G.S. 75A-3; 75A-15;  
Eff. February 1, 2024.