

Local Laws Some local county-by-county legislation also pertains to hunting, inland fishing and trapping activities in North Carolina. Following is a county-by-county listing of acts that might not violate the general laws and regulations, but that are prohibited by local legislation passed by the General Assembly. These laws do not reflect actions taken by the General Assembly after publication of this document.

ATTENTION FOX HUNTERS AND TRAPPERS

Fox hunting and trapping seasons, bag limits and restrictions vary by county in North Carolina. Some counties do not allow fox hunting or trapping at all, some allow only hunting. Before taking a fox, sportsmen should read the law for that county in the "Fox Seasons Hunting and Trapping Laws" publication available at ncwildlife.org/Hunting/LawsSafety.aspx (click on Fox Harvest Season dates) or by calling 919-707-0050.

The following is unlawful in the counties indicated:

HUNTING AND TRAPPING

Alamance

- Hunt any wildlife with a firearm from the right-of-way of a public road.
- Hunt a deer or fox by use of dogs at any time.
- NOTE: Entrance to private lands to hunt is regulated by local ordinance.
- Intentionally remove or destroy an electronic collar, or other electronic device, placed on a dog by his owner to maintain control of the dog.

Alexander

- Hunt, take or kill or attempt to hunt, take or kill any animal or bird on or from the right-of-way of any public road.

Alleghany

- Discharge a firearm from, on or across a public road without written permission from adjoining landowners.
- Take any game or nongame animal or bird in Sam Brown Park.

Anson

- Unlawful to hunt on another's land without having, on the person, written permission signed and dated by the owner, lessee, or club president (if applicable). Permission is good for one year unless otherwise stated. During the gun deer season, allowing a dog under one's ownership, possession, or control to run upon or across another's land constitutes hunting thereon.
- Hunt on, from or across any public road.
- Hunt deer with dogs; except that dogs may be used to hunt deer during the last five weeks of the Gun Deer Season east of N.C. 742. This is calculated by counting back five weeks from the last day of the gun season. (Note: If the gun deer season ends on Jan. 1, this season will be Nov. 28 – Jan. 1. If the gun deer season ends on Jan. 2, this season will be Nov. 29 – Jan. 2)
- Hunt deer with dogs unless the dog has a collar with owner's identification.
- Import and release a fox.
- Intentionally remove or destroy an electronic collar, or other electronic device, placed on a dog by its owner to maintain control of the dog.

Ashe

- Hunt with a loaded gun or other lethal weapon from the right-of-way of a state-maintained road, or discharge a gun or lethal weapon across any such road.
- Exceed a season bag limit of 20 raccoons.

Avery

- Take any wildlife, except bobcats, on Grandfather Mountain above the Yonahlossee Road (U.S. 221) on one side, or 4,000 feet elevation on the other.
- Intentionally remove or destroy an electronic collar, or other electronic device, placed on a dog by his owner to maintain control of the dog.

Beaufort

- Hunt migratory wildfowl north of the Pamlico River channel between Broad Creek and Washington City Limits.
- Intentionally remove or destroy an electronic collar, or other electronic device, placed on a dog by his owner to maintain control of the dog.
- **To discharge, or attempt to discharge, a firearm or bow and arrow, from, on, or across the roadway or right-of-way of any public road.**

Bertie

- Hunt, take or kill any wild animal or wild bird, or attempt to hunt, take or kill any wild animal or wild bird, with the use of a firearm or bow and arrow from, on, across or over the roadway or right-of-way of any public road, street or highway.
- Discharge a firearm or bow and arrow from, on, across, or over the roadway of any public road, street, or highway, or to possess a firearm or bow and arrow outside the passenger compartment of a vehicle while on the roadway or right-of-way.
- To hunt, fish, or trap on the land of another without the written permission of the landowner or the landowner's lessee. Written permission shall contain complete contact information for the landowner or the landowner's lessee.
- To take deer from any vessel in the Roanoke River, or its tributaries, except for those portions of the river and its tributaries that are adjacent to the border with Washington County whether the vessel is under power or not.

Bladen

- Hunt deer with the aid of a boat or floating device on the Cape Fear River or its tributaries.
- Possess a firearm aboard a motor-propelled vessel on the Cape Fear River during open deer season.
- Hunt any game from a public road adjoining posted land without having in possession written permission of the owner or lessee.
- Hunt, take or kill any bird or animal or to attempt to hunt, take or kill any bird or animal on property adjacent to Bladen Lakes State Forest without written permission of the owner or lessee.
- Hunt, take or kill any bird or animal or attempt to hunt, take or kill any bird or animal on, from or across the right-of-way of any public road adjacent to property adjacent to Bladen Lakes State Forest without written permission of the owner or lessee.

Brunswick

- Set or possess a trap or snare on another's land not under written lease.
- Set a leghold steel trap between March 1 and Jan. 1 or the last day of the deer-hunting season, whichever is later.
- Hunt from the right-of-way of a public road, except by the owner or lessee of the abutting land or by a person with the permission of such owner or lessee.
- Intentionally remove or destroy an electronic collar, or other electronic device, placed on a dog by his owner to maintain control of the dog.

Buncombe

- Hunt deer on or from the right-of-way of I-26 or I-40.
- Intentionally remove or destroy an electronic collar, or other electronic device, placed on a dog by his owner to maintain control of the dog.

Burke

- Hunt from the right-of-way of public roads any bird or animal except bear, without permission of the owner or lessee of the adjacent land.
- Intentionally remove or destroy an electronic collar, or other electronic device, placed on a dog by his owner to maintain control of the dog.

Cabarrus

- Take deer with a centerfire rifle, except from a permanent or portable stationary stand at least nine feet above ground level and with the written permission of the landowner or lessee in one's possession.
- Hunt, take or kill with the use of firearms any bird or game animal from, on or across the right-of-way of any numbered highway.
- Discharge a centerfire rifle on the property of another without having in one's possession the written permission of the landowner or lessee.

Caldwell

- Take any wildlife, except bobcats, on Grandfather Mountain above the Yonahlossee Road (U.S. 221).
- Hunt from the right-of-way of public roads any bird or animal except bear, without written permission of the owner or lessee of the adjacent land. Bear and boar may be hunted from any unpaved road.
- Intentionally remove or destroy an electronic collar, or other electronic device, placed on a dog by his owner to maintain control of the dog.

Camden

- Hunt deer with a rifle, except from a stand eight feet high located on land owned or leased by the hunter or on another's land with the owner's permission.
- Set a Conibear®-type 330 or 220 trap or a No. 2 leghold steel trap, except in water where beaver or otter may be lawfully taken.
- Hunt from the right-of-way of S.R. 1239 or of S.R. 1224 from the county line to S.R. 1239.
- Hunt or discharge a firearm from, on or across S.R. 1205.
- Intentionally remove or destroy an electronic collar, or other electronic device, placed on a dog by his owner to maintain control of the dog.
- To discharge or cause to be discharged any firearm within one-half mile of any public or private school, toward any public or private school, or to cause any projectile discharged from a firearm to enter any public or private school grounds for any reason.

Carteret

- Hunt deer from a public road adjoining lands of others without written permission of the owners or lessees.
- Set a steel trap or Conibear®-type trap, or take an animal therefrom, on another's land without a written lease authorizing trapping.
- Take migratory waterfowl within 500 yards of another's permanent hunting location without permission of the landholder upon whose land the waterfowl is taken.

Caswell

- Hunt deer from the surface or right-of-way of a public road.
- It is unlawful for a person to take wildlife or attempt to take wildlife on the land of another, or fish on the land of another, without having on one's person while hunting or fishing the written permission, signed and dated for the current hunting and fishing season.
- Intentionally remove or destroy an electronic collar, or other electronic device, placed on a dog by his owner to maintain control of the dog.
- It is unlawful for a person to take wildlife or attempt to take wildlife while under the influence of an impairing substance.

Catawba

- Hunt, take or kill or attempt to hunt, take or kill any animal or bird on or from the right-of-way of any public road.

Chatham

- Hunt with a firearm from the surface or right-of-way of a public road.
- Hunt with a firearm or bow and arrow or possess same, except with express written permission, dated within the previous 12 months, of the landowner or lessee.
- Permit a minor under 16 to possess a firearm, unless the child is under the supervision of parents or guardian.
- Possess a loaded firearm on the land of another while under the influence of an impairing substance.

Cherokee

- Intentionally remove or destroy an electronic collar, or other electronic device, placed on a dog by his owner to maintain control of the dog.
- To take or kill any wild animal or wild bird with the use of a firearm or to discharge a firearm from, on, or across the right-of-way of a public road, street, highway or other public vehicular area.

Chowan

- Hunt waterfowl on N.C. 32 or on any road south thereof between the Albemarle Sound bridge and the Edenton City Limits.
- Take a bird or animal within Arrowhead Beach subdivision, Cape Colony subdivision or Chowan Beach subdivision.
- Hunt deer, except by still hunting, south of U.S. 17 and U.S. 17 Business and east of a line from the intersection of U.S. 17 Business and the western city limits of Edenton due south to Albemarle Sound.
- Hunt on the land of another without written permission of owner or lessee; permission to be dated within one year.
- Hunt with or possess a centerfire rifle on the land of another or discharge same on, over or across another's land without having on one's person, written permission dated within one year.
- Hunt with or discharge a firearm or bow and arrow from, to or across any state-maintained road or right-of-way.
- To hunt with a centerfire rifle, unless the barrel of the rifle is at least eight feet above ground level.
- Intentionally remove or destroy an electronic collar, or other electronic device, placed on a dog by his owner to maintain control of the dog.

Clay

- Intentionally remove or destroy an electronic collar, or other electronic device, placed on a dog by his owner to maintain control of the dog.
- To take or kill any wild animal or wild bird with the use of a firearm or to discharge a firearm from, on, or across the right-of-way of a public road, street, highway or other public vehicular area.

Cleveland

- Hunt from a public road right-of-way.

Columbus

- Set a steel trap between March 1 – Jan. 1.
- Hunt, take or kill any wild animal or wild bird with a firearm on, from or across the right-of-way of any public road or highway without obtaining written permission of the owner or lessee of the land abutting the road or the land across which the weapon is being discharged.
- Intentionally remove or destroy an electronic collar, or other electronic device, placed on a dog by his owner to maintain control of the dog.

Craven

- Unless a person owns or possesses a leasehold, it is unlawful to hunt, take, kill or to shoot from, on, or across a road right-of-way on S.R. 1611, S.R. 1613, S.R. 1614, S.R. 1615, S.R. 1617, S.R. 1619 or on S.R. 1401 from Washington Post Road to N.C. 55.
- Hunt on or from a public road within an area posted against such by the Wildlife Resources Commission.
- Hunt on land within 100 yards of Trent River between the U.S. 70 bridge and a straight line from Haywards Creek to Ready Branch.
- Hunt on land within 100 yards of Brices Creek between Trent River and the S.R. 1004 bridge.
- Hunt from or shoot across S.R. 1600 (Broad Creek Road) east of N.C. 55 to its terminus near Broad Creek.
- Hunt on or from N.C. 306, S.R. 1004, U.S. 70 from S.R. 1225 to .6 mile east, or S.R. 1225 from S.R. 1226 to .6 mile south.
- Take any animal or bird on or from the right-of-way of S.R. 1144.
- Hunt, take or kill any animal or bird on or from the right-of-way of S.R. 1101 from S.R. 1004 to the U.S. Forestry Service boundary.
- Hunt, take or kill any bird or animal on, from or across the right-of-way of S.R. 1258 from its intersection with N.C. 55 to the intersection of S.R. 1251.
- Hunt, take or kill any bird or animal on, from or across the right-of-ways of S.R. 1230, S.R. 1229 and S.R. 1620.
- Unless a person owns or possesses a leasehold, it is unlawful to hunt, take or kill any animal or bird on or from the right-of-way of S.R. 1633, known as Brown Farm Road, S.R. 1637, known as Alligator Road, and state roads 1638 and 1639 known as Maul Swamp Road.
- Hunt, take or kill any wild animal or wild bird on, from or across the right-of-way of S.R. 1477.
- Intentionally remove or destroy an electronic collar, or other electronic device, placed on a dog by his owner to maintain control of the dog.
- Hunt, take or kill any wild animal or bird on or from the right-of-way of S.R. 1459 from Riverside Church north to S.R. 1460.
- Hunt, take or kill any wild animal or bird on or from the right-of-way of S.R. 1460 from its intersection with S.R. 1459 west to the Pitt County line.

- Unless a person owns or possesses a leasehold interest in the real property adjacent to the portion of the road on which the person is located, it is unlawful for that person to discharge a firearm from, on or across the right-of-way of S.R. 1862 from Adams Creek Road to the end of the state-maintained portion of the road.

Cumberland

- Set a steel-jaw leghold trap on another person's land, except for beaver or muskrat on lands of one with whom the trapper has a contract for trapping.
- Hunt with a firearm from or on a public road or the right-of-way thereof.
- Intentionally remove or destroy an electronic collar, or other electronic device, placed on a dog by his owner to maintain control of the dog.

Currituck

- NOTE: The Poplar Branch Township on the Outer Banks is included within the Maximum Either-Sex Season for Currituck County. During the Regular Gun Deer Season in that portion of Poplar Branch Township on the Outer Banks, there is an open season for hunting or taking deer of either sex using only shotguns, bow and arrow, and muzzleloading firearms. The Eastern Deer Season dates and all restrictions that apply to the Bow-and-Arrow and Muzzleloading seasons in Currituck County also apply to the Poplar Branch Township. The U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service Swan Island and Monkey Island Refuge areas are also included here; however, the refuges are currently closed by federal rule; contact Mackay Island National Wildlife Refuge regarding special refuge regulations.
- Hunt waterfowl within 500 yards of another's licensed blind. NOTE: A Currituck Game Commission License is not required for temporary waterfowl blinds on game lands. However, unlicensed temporary blinds on game lands in this county shall not be hunted if a licensed float blind is established within 500 yards of the unlicensed blind before game land hunters have occupied the blind. Likewise, licensed float-blind hunters shall not establish a float-blind position within 500 yards of an unlicensed game land blind if game land hunters have occupied the blind first. Unlicensed float blinds on game lands must be used within five yards of the game lands shoreline and shall not



Disposal of Deer Carcasses

- Disposing of deer or any other animal remains on roadsides, waterways or on property (without permission or where restricted) is illegal in North Carolina.
- Irresponsible dumping of deer carcasses sends the wrong image of a great sport, can spread disease, and could result in misdemeanor and felony charges.
- Dispose of game remnants in a prompt and responsible manner.
- Where permissible, bury remains at least two feet deep.
- Contact your area landfill or solid waste management provider for local policies and more information.

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be established within 500 yards of a licensed point, bush or float blind. Licensed float-blind hunters shall not establish a float-blind position within 500 yards of an established game land float-blind position if the game land hunters have established the game land float-blind position first.

- Hunt with a firearm from the right-of-way of S.R. 1140, S.R. 1218, S.R. 1227, S.R. 1229, S.R. 1248, S.R. 1249, S.R. 1250, S.R. 1251, S.R. 1252, S.R. 1253 or of U.S. 168 north of Moyock Creek.
- For more information on the Currituck Game Commission's laws, rules and waterfowl blind licenses, please visit <http://www.currituckgamecommission.org>, or call 252-429-3472.

NOTE: Dare and Currituck counties require licensing of waterfowl blinds, and certain restrictions apply to hunting waterfowl in these two counties. For more information, contact: Dare County Game and Wildlife Commission, P. O. Box 1000, Manteo, NC 27954.

Dare

- Chase deer with dogs, or permit a dog to chase deer, between March 1 and June 30, except for the mainland and Durant Island.
- Hunt transitory waterfowl from an unlicensed blind, except on or within five yards of the shoreline of game lands.
- Use any trap that has a jaw spread that exceeds 7½ inches until after Jan. 2 of each year or the last day of deer hunting season, whichever is later.
- The Dare County Game and Wildlife Commission has recently updated its regulations regarding waterfowl blinds. For more information on the Dare County Game and Wildlife Commission's laws, rules and waterfowl blind licenses, call 252-475-5631 or visit <http://www.darenc.com/Local/GameWildlife.htm> or ncwildlife.org.

Davidson

- Hunt, fish or trap on land of another without permission.
- NOTE: Discharge of firearms or pellet guns from right-of-way of public roads is regulated by local ordinance.
- Hunt, take or kill a wild bird or wild animal with a firearm or discharge a firearm from, on or across the right-of-way of any numbered state-maintained road without written permission of the adjoining landowner.
- Intentionally remove or destroy an electronic collar, or other electronic device, placed on a dog by his owner to maintain control of the dog.

Davie

- Import and release a fox.

Duplin

- For information concerning hunting from the roadway in Duplin County, contact the county attorney.

Durham

- Discharge a firearm in taking game animals from the right-of-way of a public road adjoining posted land, without permission of the owner or person in charge of such land.
- Discharge a centerfire rifle on another's land, or on or across such land from a public road, without having in possession written permission of the owner or lessee.
- Take deer with dogs.
- Hunt deer from a public road.
- Hunt any wildlife with a firearm from a public road.

Edgecombe

- Hunt, take or transport deer from or with the aid of any boat or floating device on that portion of the Tar River from S.R. 1252 to N.C. 33.

- Hunt with a firearm from the right-of-way of a public road.
- Hunt or transport game, except migratory waterfowl, from or by a boat or floating device on Swift Creek.
- Hunt on the land of another without having on one's person while hunting the written permission, signed and dated for the current hunting season, of the landowner or lessee, or the landowner's or lessee's designee. (Effective Oct. 1, 2009)
- Hunt from any vessel in the Tar River from Springfield Road to the Dunbar Bridge, whether the vessel is under power or not, except that a vessel may be used for transportation to and from otherwise lawful hunting stands upon lands owned or leased by a person or upon which a person has written permission to hunt.

Franklin

- Hunt deer with a rifle on another's land, or from the right-of-way of a public road adjoining such land, without written permission from the owner to use a rifle.
- Hunt game from the right-of-way of any public road in that part of the county bounded on the north beginning at the Tar River at the Granville County line east to U.S. 1, then south along U.S. 1 to the intersection of N.C. 56, then east along N.C. 56 to the intersection of U.S. 401, then north along U.S. 401 to the intersection of N.C. 39, then south along N.C. 39 to the intersection of N.C. 98, then east along N.C. 98 to the Nash County line.
- In all other portions of the county to hunt game from the right-of-way of any public road, without written permission of the owners of the lands abutting that road.

Gaston

- Hunt, take or kill with a firearm or other deadly weapon, any wild animal or wild bird from or across the right-of-way of any public road, street or highway.

Gates

- Take deer with the aid of a boat or floating device, in or within 100 yards of the Chowan River, except in creeks and tributaries.
- Hunt on a public road adjoining posted land without prior written permission of the owner or lessee.
- Hunt with or discharge a centerfire rifle from, on or across a state-maintained road.
- Hunt with or possess a centerfire rifle on another's land without written permission of the owner or lessee.
- Hunt with, or possess a firearm, bow and arrow, or dog on another's land without permission of the owner or lessee.
- Take any game or furbearer by trapping on another person's land between the end of trapping season and Jan. 2.
- Hunt with or possess a centerfire rifle or pistol in that part bordered to the north by U.S. 158, to the west by S.R. 1403/1400, to the south by S.R. 1404 and to the east by N.C. 32. It is also unlawful for any person to discharge or cause to be discharged a centerfire rifle or pistol toward Merchants Mill Pond State Park, or to cause any projectile to enter the park property for any reason.

Granville

- Hunt deer from the right-of-way of a public road.
- Hunt or possess a firearm or bow and arrow, without acquiring an entry permit, before entering on registered lands or remaining on an abutting portion of highway.
- Release a dog or dogs onto the property of another for the purpose of hunting deer without the written consent of the landowner or lessee.

Greene

- Hunt deer with a rifle, except from a position elevated at least eight feet above the ground and not affixed to a motor vehicle.
- Hunt, take or kill any wild animal or game bird on the posted lands of another without having on one's person the written permission of the owner or lessee dated within the current hunting season.

- Hunt, take, or kill wildlife from, on or across a public roadway while having a firearm or bow and arrow in the persons possession.

Guilford

- Hunt an animal with a firearm from a public road.

Halifax

- Take deer with the aid of a boat or floating device in Roanoke River between U.S. 17 and U.S.301.
- Hunt with a firearm from the right-of-way of a public road.
- Discharge a firearm on or across a public road.

Harnett

- Hunt, take or kill with a firearm or other deadly weapon any wild animal or wild bird on, from or across the right-of-way of any public road, street, highway or thoroughfare.
- Use a centerfire rifle in hunting on the land of another without written permission dated within 12 months and carried on one's person.

Haywood

- Intentionally remove or destroy an electronic collar, or other electronic device, placed on a dog by its owner to maintain control of the dog.
- Discharge of a firearm from, on or across the right-of-way of any public road without written permission from the owner of the abutting lands.

Henderson

- Hunt or discharge a firearm on or from the right-of-way of any state road west of U.S. 280.
- Intentionally remove or destroy an electronic collar, or other electronic device, placed on a dog by its owner to maintain control of the dog.

Hertford

- Take deer with the aid of a boat or floating device in or within 100 yards of the Chowan River, except in creeks and tributaries.
- Discharge a centerfire rifle or any rifle larger than .22-caliber on or from the right-of-way of a public road, street or highway.
- Hunt any wild animal or wild bird with the use of a firearm, from, on, across or over the roadway or right-of-way of any public road, street or highway.
- Hunt with or possess a centerfire rifle on another's land without written permission of the owner or lessee.
- Possess a firearm aboard a motor-propelled vessel (except an outboard with the motor removed and stored) on Meherrin River between the Virginia state line and Murfreesboro city limit during the open deer season.

Hoke

- Hunt with or discharge a firearm from, onto or across a primary highway.
- Hunt with or discharge a firearm from, onto or across a secondary road without having in possession written permission of the owner or lessee to hunt on abutting land.
- Hunt with a rifle larger than .22-caliber or capable of firing .22 centerfire, unless positioned at least 10 feet above the ground.
- Hunt with a gun or dog on the land of another without written permission of the owner or lessee dated within one year.

Hyde

- Hunt game animals with dogs, unless accompanied by a licensed hunting guide or with a permit from the owner of the land.
- Hunt migratory waterfowl from a public road.
- Hunt with a rifle from a public road.
- Hunt with guns or dogs or to hunt with a bow and arrow or crossbow upon the lands of another without permission of the owner or lessee.

Iredell

- Hunt, any animal or bird on or from the right-of-way of any public road.
- Hunt, fish or trap on land of another without written permission.

Jackson

- Intentionally remove or destroy an electronic collar, or other electronic device, placed on a dog by its owner to maintain control of the dog.
- Unlawful to kill any wild animal or wild bird with the use of a firearm or to discharge a firearm from, on, or across the right-of-way of a state-maintained road, street or highway.
- Unlawful to shine a light intentionally upon a deer or in search of deer between ½ hour after sunset and ½ hour before sunrise.

Johnston

- Hunt or fish on the land of another without having on one's person the written permission, signed and dated for the current hunting or fishing season, of the landowner or lessee.
- Take wildlife or attempt to take wildlife on the land of another while under the influence of an impairing substance.
- Hunt with a loaded firearm on a state-maintained road.
- Discharge a firearm on or across a state-maintained road.
- Hunt deer with dogs or allow a dog to chase deer.
- Hunt deer with a rifle on another's land or on an adjoining public road without written permission of the owner.

Jones

- Hunt, with firearms, any animal or bird on, or from, or across the right-of-way of any paved public road or highway.

Lee

- Hunt with any weapon while on the land of another without written permission dated within one year.
- Hunt with any weapon, any wild animal or bird, or discharge a firearm on, from or across the right-of-way of any public road.

Lenoir

- Hunt with a firearm on or discharge a firearm on or across S.R. 1804 between U.S. 70 and N.C. 55.
- Release hunting dogs onto posted land without written consent of the owner.
- Hunt on or from the right-of-way of a public road.

Macon

- Hunt, take or kill white-tailed deer from, on or across the right-of-way of any public road, street or highway.
- Intentionally remove or destroy an electronic collar, or other electronic device, placed on a dog by its owner to maintain control of the dog.

Madison

- Hunt from a public road right-of-way.

Martin

- It is unlawful to hunt with or discharge a firearm on, from, or across the right-of-way of any highway or public road. It is unlawful to possess a loaded firearm outside the passenger compartment of a vehicle while on the roadway or highway right-of-way, unless the person is the owner or lessee of the land abutting the right-of-way or has on his person the written permission of the owner or lessee of the land abutting the right-of-way to hunt the land, dated within the last 12 months, or the person has a concealed carry permit and is only carrying a loaded, concealed weapon.
- Discharge a rifle of greater than .22-caliber, except from an elevated position in which the rifle is a minimum of eight feet above the ground.

- To take deer from any vessel in the Roanoke River, or its tributaries, except for those portions of the river and its tributaries that are adjacent to the border with Washington County whether the vessel is under power or not.

McDowell

- Discharge a firearm from the right-of-way of a state-numbered road for the purpose of taking big game animals. This does not apply to those portions along N.C. 105 bordered on both sides by game lands.
- Intentionally remove or destroy an electronic collar, or other electronic device, placed on a dog by its owner to maintain control of the dog.

Mecklenburg

- Hunt deer with any rifle, except that a muzzleloading rifle may be used during the primitive-weapons season.
- Hunt with a firearm from a public road or highway right-of-way.

Mitchell

- Hunt, take or kill any wild bird or wild animal except bear or boar with a firearm from, on or across a public road right-of-way.
- Intentionally remove or destroy an electronic collar, or other electronic device, placed on a dog by his owner to maintain control of the dog.

Moore

- In Sandhill and Mineral Springs townships: (1) hunt any game animal on another's land without possession of written permission of the owner or lessee; (2) hunt with a rifle of greater than .22 rimfire caliber or capable of firing .22 centerfire ammunition (ie. .223, .22-250, .222 etc are not legal firearms under this law), except that a muzzleloading rifle may be used when positioned at least eight feet above the ground. Please refer to township maps for Moore County on County GIS website.
- Shine a light on deer between 30 minutes after sunset and 30 minutes before sunrise.
- Hunt deer on the land of another without written permission dated within one year.
- Hunt, take or kill deer on, from or across a right-of-way of any public road.
- Hunt deer with dogs unless each dog bears a collar, tag or other identification with the owner's full name and address.

Nash

- Take migratory waterfowl on, from or over the Rocky Mount Tar River Reservoir or within 500 yards thereof, except within "Zone E" with permission of the affected landowner and subject to the rules and regulations of the City of Rocky Mount. See <http://www.rockymountnc.gov/parks/hunting.html> for more detail.
- Discharge a firearm from, onto or across a public road.
- Hunt deer with a rifle, except from a stand at least six feet above the ground.
- Hunt or discharge a rifle on or across the right-of-way of any road.
- Hunt on the land of another without written permission from the owner or lessee.

New Hanover

- Hunt a fox with dogs in Federal Point township south of the Intracoastal Waterway.
- Intentionally remove or destroy an electronic collar, or other electronic device, placed on a dog by his owner to maintain control of the dog.

Northampton

- Take deer with the aid of a boat in or within 100 yards of the Roanoke River below U.S. 301.
- Hunt, take or kill any wild animal or wild bird with a firearm on, from or across the right-of-way of any public road or highway.

- Discharge a rifle larger than .22-caliber on another's land or from the right-of-way of a public road across such land without written permission of the owner or lessee and unless positioned at least eight feet above the ground.
- Possess a firearm on a motor-propelled vessel (except an out-board with the motor removed and stored) on Meherrin River during the open deer season.

Onslow

- Hunt any wild animal or bird from the right-of-way of any public road without written permission of the owner or lessee of the land that abuts the road.

Orange

- Hunt deer from a public road.
- Hunt with firearms from the right-of-way of a public road.
- Intentionally remove or destroy an electronic collar, or other electronic device, placed on a dog by his owner to maintain control of the dog.
- Hunt or fish on the land of another without having on one's person, written permission, signed and dated for the current hunting season, by the landowner or lessee.
- Unlawful to hunt with firearms by persons under the influence of alcohol or other impairing substances.

Pamlico

- Take migratory waterfowl within 500 yards of another's permanent hunting location without permission of the landholder upon whose land the waterfowl is taken.
- Hunt bear with dogs.
- Take any wild animal or wild bird from or across the right-of-way of N.C. 55 and N.C. 306.

Pasquotank

- Use a firearm carelessly and heedlessly, so as to endanger or be likely to endanger any person or property, or any discharge of a firearm that results in a projectile crossing the property of another person without their permission.
- Discharge a centerfire rifle on another's land, or on or across such land from a public road, without having in possession written permission of the owner or lessee.
- To have possession of a loaded shotgun or centerfire rifle while on the right-of-way of any public road or highway while outside the confines of the passenger area of a vehicle, without the written permission of the owner or lessee of the land that abuts the road or highway. To have possession of a loaded shotgun or centerfire rifle while on the traveled surface of any public road or highway when outside the confines of the passenger area of a vehicle.
- To hunt, take or kill any bird or game animal from or on the right-of-way of any public road or highway, without first securing the written permission of the owner or lessee of the land that abuts the road or highway.
- Intentionally remove or destroy an electronic collar, or other electronic device, placed on a dog by his owner to maintain control of the dog.
- Hunt with a centerfire rifle except from a platform which raises the lower level of the barrel to a minimum of eight feet above ground level. For purposes of this act, the term "hunt" is defined as provided in G.S. 113-130.

Pender

- Take deer with the aid of a boat or floating device in or within 100 yards of the Black River, Long Creek, Morgan Creek or Turkey Creek between N.C. 210 and the Northeast Cape Fear River.
- Discharge a firearm while hunting from the right-of-way of a state-maintained road onto or across any adjoining land without permission of the owner.

Perquimans

- Take a wild animal or bird in Snug Harbor subdivision in Bethel Township or in Longbeach Estates.
- Hunt with a rifle larger than .22-caliber without written permission of the landowner.
- Hunt on the right-of-way of a public road.
- Hunt with or possess a firearm or bow and arrow on another's land without the permission of the landowner or lessee.
- Hunt with a centerfire rifle, except from a stand at least five feet above the ground level.
- Hunt on land of another without the written permission of the owner or lessee of the land, dated for the current hunting season.

Person

- Hunt deer from a public road.

Pitt

- Hunt with a firearm from or on, or across a public road or the right-of-way thereof.
- Hunt while under the influence of an impairing substance.
- Hunt with a firearm within 300 feet of any residency or occupied building without the written, signed and dated permission of the owner or lessee of the land. Permission must be renewed annually.
- Hunt or to discharge a firearm on or across posted land without the written, signed and dated permission of the owner or lessee. Permission must be renewed annually.
- Release dogs on posted land without the written signed and dated permission of the owner or lessee of the land. Permission must be renewed annually.
- Intentionally remove or destroy an electronic collar, or other electronic device, placed on a dog by his owner to maintain control of the dog.

Polk

- Hunt with a firearm from or on a public road or the right-of-way thereof.
- Unlawful to possess or consume alcohol within 50 feet of any river in Polk County.

Randolph

- Hunt from the right-of-way of a public road.

Richmond

- Take deer with dogs west of Little River and that portion east of Little River, bounded by N.C. 73 to the north, by Hough Road to the east and by Grassy Island Road to the south.
- Hunt deer from a public road.
- Hunt with firearms from the right-of-way of any public road north of U.S. 74 and west of U.S. 220.

Robeson

- Hunt deer from or through the use of any boat or other floating device.
- Prohibits hunting, taking or killing any wild animal or wild bird, or attempting to hunt, take or kill any wild animal or wild bird, with the use of a firearm or bow and arrow, from, on, across or over the roadway or right-of-way of any public road, street or highway.
- Intentionally remove or destroy an electronic collar, or other electronic device, placed on a dog by his owner to maintain control of the dog.
- **Unlawfully hunt or fish on the land of another without written permission in one's possession. Permission must be dated and signed by the owner or lessee within the past year.**

Rockingham

- Hunt any wildlife from the right-of-way of any public road.
- NOTE: Entrance to private lands to hunt is regulated by local ordinance.

- Intentionally remove or destroy an electronic collar, or other electronic device, placed on a dog by his owner to maintain control of the dog.
- **Shine a light intentionally upon any wild animal, including, but not limited to, deer, coyotes, or feral swine, from the right-of-way of any public road, street, or highway between the hours of one-half hour after sunset and one half hour before sunrise.**

Rowan

- Hunt, fish or trap on the land of another without written permission.
- Hunt with a loaded firearm or discharge the same on or across a state-maintained road.
- NOTE: Entrance to private lands to hunt is regulated by local ordinance.
- Discharge firearms or fireworks or to create noise using mechanical apparatus while in the no-wake zone around Eagle Point Nature Preserve on High Rock Reservoir.

Rutherford

- Hunt, take or kill any wild animal or wild bird on, or across the right-of-way of any public road.
- Discharge a firearm on, from or across the right-of-way of any public road.

Sampson

- Hunt with firearms any wild animal or wild bird from or discharge firearms from or across any state-maintained road without obtaining permission of the landowner or lessee of the land abutting the road.

Scotland

- Hunt with the use of a centerfire rifle or any firearm capable of firing a centerfire projectile, unless the person is positioned in a stationary and elevated position at least 10 feet above the ground.
- Possess a loaded shotgun or rifle, or discharge any firearm, from, onto or across the right-of-way of a primary or secondary highway, except by an owner of land adjoining a secondary road or a person with an owner's written permission to hunt on such adjoining land.
- Hunt on land of another without written permission from the owner or lessee dated within one year.

Stanly

- Hunt with a firearm from the right-of-way of a public road.
- Unlawful to take or attempt to take wildlife or fish on the land of another, without having on one's person written permission signed and dated for the current hunting and fishing season, of the landowner or lessee.
- Unlawful to take or attempt to take wildlife on the land of another while under the influence of an impairing substance.

Stokes

- Discharge a firearm in taking game animals from the right-of-way of a public road adjoining posted land without permission of the owner or person in charge of such land.
- Hunt an animal with a firearm from a public road.

Surry

- Hunt any animal with a firearm from a public road, highway or street.

Swain

- Intentionally remove or destroy an electronic collar, or other electronic device, placed on a dog by its owner to maintain control of the dog.

Transylvania

- Intentionally remove or destroy an electronic collar, or other electronic device, placed on a dog by its owner to maintain control of the dog.
- Hunt, take or kill any wild animal or bird from, on or across the right-of-way of a public road, street, highway or other vehicular area.

- Hunt on the land of another without having written permission from the landowner or lessee dated within the previous 12 months.

Tyrrell

- To hunt, take, or kill, or to attempt to hunt, take or kill, any wild animal or wild bird with a firearm, bow and arrow, or crossbow on, from, or across the right-of-way of any state-maintained road or to discharge any firearm, bow and arrow, or crossbow on, from, or across the right-of-way of any state-maintained road or highway. This does not apply to hunters lawfully recovering dogs as long as weapons remain in a motor vehicle or to a person lawfully engaged in the act of taking bullfrogs with a rimfire weapon.
- To possess a loaded firearm while on the right-of-way of any state-maintained road or highway outside the confines of the passenger area of the vehicle.
- To hunt, take, or kill, or to attempt to hunt, take or kill, any wild animal or wild bird with a firearm, bow and arrow, or crossbow, or dogs or to possess a loaded firearm outside the confines of the passenger area of the vehicle, on the land of another, without the written permission of the landowner or lessee of the land, dated and valid for no more than one year. This law does not apply to a person who leases land for the purpose of hunting while hunting on that leased land or to a member of a hunting club with a current and valid membership card while hunting on club land.
- Hunt with a gun or dog on another's land without permission of the owner or lessee.

Union

- Hunt, take or kill a wild animal or wild bird from, on or across the right-of-way of any public road or highway.
- Discharge a firearm from, on or across the right-of-way of any state-maintained road.
- Intentionally remove or destroy an electronic collar, or other electronic device, placed on a dog by his owner to maintain control of the dog.

Vance

- Hunt or discharge a firearm on any land that has been registered with the sheriff and posted, or on a highway abutting such land, without having in possession a valid entry permit. (Before hunting or discharging a firearm on any land or an abutting highway, it is the affirmative duty of the hunter or marksman to make appropriate inquiry about whether the land is registered and to look for posted signs that may indicate such status.)
- Hunt wild animals or wild birds from, on or across the right-of-way of any public road or highway.
- Discharge a centerfire rifle from, on or across the right-of-way of any public road or highway.

Wake

- Hunt deer with a dog on another's land without written permission of the owner.
- Shoot at a deer from, on or across the right-of-way of a county road or state highway.
- Take any animal with a centerfire rifle, unless the person is positioned at least eight feet above the ground.
- Possess a loaded firearm or hunt on the land of another without written permission.
- Possess loaded shotguns or centerfire rifles upon highway right-of-ways.

Warren

- Hunt or possess a firearm or bow and arrow without acquiring an entry permit before entering on registered lands or remaining on an abutting portion of the highway.
- Take deer with a rifle on another's land or from the right-of-way of a public road adjoining such land, without written permission of the owner.

Washington

- Use a firearm, bow and arrow or crossbow on, from or across the right-of-way of any state-maintained road.
- Possess a loaded shotgun or centerfire rifle while on the right-of-way of any state-maintained road or highway outside the confines of the passenger area of a vehicle (not applicable to the owner of the land).
- Hunt, take or kill a wild animal or wild bird with firearms and dogs, or to possess a loaded firearm outside the confines of the passenger area of a vehicle on the land of another, without the permission of the landowner or lessee.
- Hunt, take or kill any wild animal or wild bird with a firearm, bow and arrow or crossbow on, from or across the right-of-way of any state-maintained road or highway.

Watauga

- Hunt, take or kill any species of wild animal or wild bird by loaded firearm or lethal weapon from the right-of-way of any state-maintained road or to discharge a firearm or weapon across any such road.

Wayne

- Set a steel trap or Conibear®-type trap, or take an animal therefrom, on another's land without a written lease authorizing trapping.
- Hunt deer with dogs or allow dogs to chase deer.
- Hunt with a loaded gun or discharge same on or across a state-maintained road.
- Hunt deer with a rifle on another's land, or from a public road adjoining such land, without written permission of the landowner.
- Hunt with guns or dogs or to hunt with a bow and arrow or crossbow upon the lands of another without permission of the owner or lessee.

Wilkes

- Shoot a raccoon while training coon dogs during closed season.
- Hunt animals with a firearm from a public road, except that bear or wild boar may be taken from any unpaved road.
- Hunt, fish or trap on land of another without written permission.
- Intentionally remove or destroy an electronic collar, or other electronic device, placed on a dog by his owner to maintain control of the dog.

Wilson

- Hunt from a public road right-of-way.
- Hunt deer with rifles, except from a stationary stand that is elevated at least eight feet above the ground.
- Hunt on the land of another without having, on one's person, written permission, signed and dated for the current hunting season by the landowner or lessee.

Yadkin

- Import and release a fox.
- Hunt animals with a firearm from a public road.
- Hunt, fish or trap on the land of another without written permission.

Yancey

- Intentionally remove or destroy an electronic collar, or other electronic device, placed on a dog by his owner to maintain control of the dog.
- **Kill foxes in any manner.**