

1 15A NCAC 10C .0218 is proposed for adoption under temporary procedures as follows:

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3 **15A NCAC 10C .0218 HARVEST REPORTING REQUIREMENTS**

4 (a) For the purpose of this Rule, the following definitions shall apply:

5 (1) “Division” means the N.C. Division of Marine Fisheries.

6 (2) “inland fishing waters adjacent to joint or coastal fishing waters” means inland fishing
7 waters upstream of joint or coastal fishing waters of the Roanoke, Tar, Neuse, and Cape
8 Fear rivers and their tributaries extending upstream to the first impoundment of the main
9 course on the river or its tributaries, and in all other inland fishing waters east of Interstate
10 95 except in the Lumber River and its tributaries.

11 (3) "harvest" means catching a fish and reducing it to permanent possession.

12 (b) An individual who harvests the following species from joint fishing waters or inland fishing waters
13 adjacent to joint or coastal fishing waters shall report the information required in Paragraph (b) of Rule 15A
14 NCAC 03I .0124 to the Division at <https://www.ncmarinefisheries.net> or record the harvest on a Division-
15 issued report card when harvest is complete:

16 (1) flounder;

17 (2) red drum;

18 (3) spotted seatrout;

19 (4) striped bass; and

20 (5) weakfish.

21 (c) Individuals using a Division-issued report card shall report the information electronically at
22 <https://www.deq.nc.gov/about/divisions/marine-fisheries> by midnight the day after harvest is complete.

23 (d) An individual shall not remove the head or tail or otherwise change the appearance of the fish to render
24 it impractical to identify, count, or measure while fishing or afield and until harvest has been recorded or
25 reported.

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27 History Note: Authority G.S. 113-134; 113-170.3;
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