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DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
NOTICE OF GENERAL PUBLIC INTEREST

28-55. Assignment of Wages

The South Carolina Department of Consumer Affairs elected to terminate the promulgation process on Regulation Document No. 4733, relating to Revocable Assignment of Wages.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL
NOTICE OF GENERAL PUBLIC INTEREST

In accordance with Section 44-7-200(D), Code of Laws of South Carolina, the public is hereby notified that a Certificate of Need application has been accepted for filing and publication June 23, 2017 for the following project(s). After the application is deemed complete, affected persons will be notified that the review cycle has begun. For further information, please contact Nic Gerrald, Certificate of Need Program, 2600 Bull Street, Columbia, SC 29201 at (803) 545-3495.

Affecting Allendale County

NHC/OP, L.P. d/b/a NHC HomeCare-Aiken

Establishment of a new Home Health Agency in Allendale County at a total project cost of \$1,000.

Affecting Anderson County

Maric Healthcare, LLC d/b/a South Carolina Treatment Associates

Establishment of an Outpatient Narcotic Treatment program in Anderson County at a total project cost of \$85,000.

Affecting Barnwell County

Professional Case Management of South Carolina, LLC d/b/a Professional Case Management of South Carolina – Barnwell

Establishment of a Specialty Home Health Agency in Barnwell County at a total project cost of \$25,000.

Affecting Berkeley County

Medical University Hospital Authority d/b/a MUSC Radiation Therapy Center- Berkeley County

Expansion of radiation therapy services by adding a sixth linear accelerator at a total project cost of \$9,804,548.

Medical University Hospital Authority d/b/a MUSC Health Emergency Services

Construction of a 15,300 sf Freestanding Emergency Department (FSED) in Berkeley County at a total project cost of \$13,584,161.

Affecting Charleston County

Medical University Hospital Authority d/b/a MUSC Shawn Jenkins Children's Hospital and Pearl Tourville Women's Pavilion (SJCH)

Expansion of pediatric open heart services to include a pediatric open heart operating room at a total project cost of \$1,102,991.

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Affecting Edgefield County

Professional Case Management of South Carolina, LLC d/b/a Professional Case Management of South Carolina – Edgefield

Establishment of a Specialty Home Health Agency in Edgefield County at a total project cost of \$25,000.

Affecting Florence County

McLeod Regional Medical Center of the Pee Dee, Inc.

Renovation and Expansion of McLeod Pavilion to include an Emergency Department, Women's Center, Children's Center and GI Endoscopy services at a total project cost of \$89,500,000.

Affecting Georgetown County

Georgetown Radiation Therapy Center, LLC d/b/a Tidelands Francis B. Ford Cancer Treatment Center

Expansion of radiation therapy services by adding one additional linear accelerator for a total of two linear accelerators at a total project cost of \$5,259,629.

Affecting Greenville County

Greenville Behavioral Health, LLC d/b/a Grove Point Behavioral Health Hospital

Construction of a psychiatric hospital to replace GHS Marshall I Pickens Hospital at a total project cost of \$35,631,735.

Affecting Horry County

HHC South Carolina, Inc. d/b/a Lighthouse Behavioral Health Hospital

Addition of 9 psychiatric beds for a total of 69 psychiatric beds at a total project cost of \$0.00.

Affecting Kershaw County

KershawHealth Ambulatory Center, LLC d/b/a Kershaw Health Ambulatory Surgery Center

Construction of an ambulatory surgical facility with 3 operating rooms at a total project cost of \$11,420,429.

Affecting Lexington County

Professional Case Management of South Carolina, LLC d/b/a Professional Case Management of South Carolina – Lexington

Establishment of a Specialty Home Health Agency in Lexington County at a total project cost of \$25,000.

Affecting Oconee County

NHC/OP, L.P. d/b/a NHC HomeCare-Laurens

Establishment of a new Home Health Agency in Oconee County at a total project cost of \$1,000.

Affecting Orangeburg County

Professional Case Management of South Carolina, LLC d/b/a Professional Case Management of South Carolina - Orangeburg

Establishment of a Specialty Home Health Agency in Orangeburg County at a total project cost of \$25,000.

Affecting Pickens County**AnMed Health d/b/a AnMed Health Home Health Agency**

Establishment of a new Home Health Agency in Pickens County at a total project cost of \$0.00.

Affecting Sumter County**Alan Jamieson d/b/a South Carolina Treatment Associates**

Establishment of an Outpatient Narcotic Treatment Program in Sumter County at a total project cost of \$45,500.

In accordance with Section 44-7-210(A), Code of Laws of South Carolina, and S.C. DHEC Regulation 61-15, the public and affected persons are hereby notified that for the following projects, applications have been deemed complete, and the review cycle has begun. A proposed decision will be made as early as 30 days, but no later than 120 days, from June 23, 2017. "Affected persons" have 30 days from the above date to submit requests for a public hearing to Nic Gerrald, Certificate of Need Program, 2600 Bull Street, Columbia, S.C. 29201. If a public hearing is timely requested, the Department's decision will be made after the public hearing, but no later than 150 days from the above date. For further information call (803) 545-3495.

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Establishment of a new Home Health Agency in Oconee County at a total project cost of \$1,000.

Affecting Pickens County**AnMed Health d/b/a AnMed Health Home Health Agency**

Establishment of a new Home Health Agency in Pickens County at a total project cost of \$0.00.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL

NOTICE OF GENERAL PUBLIC INTEREST

DHEC-Bureau of Land and Waste Management, File # 50805
Former Singer Company Site

NOTICE OF VOLUNTARY CLEANUP CONTRACT, CONTRIBUTION PROTECTION, AND COMMENT PERIOD

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (the Department) intends to enter into a Voluntary Cleanup Contract (VCC) with One World Technologies, Inc. (the Responsible Party). The VCC provides that the Responsible Party, with DHEC's oversight, will fund and perform future response actions at the Former Singer Company facility located in Pickens County, at 225 Pumpkintown Highway, Pickens, South Carolina (Site).

Future response actions addressed in the VCC include, but may not be limited to, the Responsible Party funding and performing; a Remedial Investigation (RI) to further evaluate the source, nature, and extent of release of hazardous substances, pollutants, or contaminants; to evaluate the effectiveness of the removal, injection Pilot Study, and continued operation of the groundwater pump and treat system; and, if necessary, a Feasibility Study to evaluate alternatives to clean-up the Site. Further, the Responsible Party will reimburse the Department's past response costs of \$29,148.27 and the Department's future costs of overseeing the work performed by the Responsible Party and other Department response costs pursuant to the VCC.

The VCC is subject to a thirty-day public comment period consistent with the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA), 42 U.S.C. Section 9613, and the South Carolina Hazardous Waste Management Act (HWMA), S.C. Code Ann. Section 44-56-200 (as amended). Notice of Contribution Protection and Comment Period will be provided to known potentially responsible parties. The VCC is available:

- (1) On-line at <http://www.scdhec.gov/PublicNotices>; or
- (2) By contacting David Wilkie at 803-898-0882 or wilkietd@dhec.sc.gov.

Any comments to the proposed VCC must be submitted in writing, postmarked no later July 24, 2017 and addressed to: David Wilkie, DHEC-BLWM-SARR, 2600 Bull Street, Columbia, SC 29201.

Upon the successful completion of the VCC, the Responsible Party will receive a covenant not to sue for the work done in completing the response actions specifically covered in the VCC and completed in accordance with the approved work plans and reports. Upon execution of the VCC, the Responsible Party shall be deemed to have resolved its liability to the State in an administrative settlement for purposes of, and to the extent authorized under CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. Sections 9613(f)(2) and 9613(f)(3)(B), and under HWMA, S.C. Code Ann. Section 44-56-200, for the matters addressed in the VCC. Further, to the extent authorized under 42 U.S.C. Section 9613(f)(3)(B), S.C. Code Ann. Section 44-56-200, the Responsible Party may seek contribution from any person who is not a party to this administrative settlement.

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL**NOTICE OF GENERAL PUBLIC INTEREST**

Section IV of R.61-98, the State Underground Petroleum Environmental Response Bank (SUPERB) Site Rehabilitation and Fund Access Regulation, requires that the Department of Health and Environmental Control evaluate and certify site rehabilitation contractors to perform site rehabilitation of releases from underground storage tanks under the State Underground Petroleum Environmental Response Bank (SUPERB) Act.

Class I Contractors perform work involving the collection and interpretation of investigative data; the evaluation of risk; and/or the design and implementation of corrective action plans. Class I applicants must satisfy registration requirements for a Professional Engineer or Geologist in South Carolina. Class II Contractors perform work involving routine investigative activities (e.g., soil or ground water sampling, well installation, aquifer testing) where said activities do not require interpretation of the data and are performed in accordance with established regulatory or industry standards.

Pursuant to Section IV.B.1., the Department is required to place a list of those contractors requesting certification on public notice and accept comments from the public for a period of thirty (30) days. If you wish to provide comments regarding the companies and/or individuals listed below, please submit your comments in writing, no later than July 24, 2017 to:

Contractor Certification Program
South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control
Bureau of Land and Waste Management - Underground Storage Tank Program
Attn: Michelle Dennison
2600 Bull Street
Columbia, SC 29201

The following company has applied for certification as Underground Storage Tank Site Rehabilitation Contractor:

Class I**Atlanta Environmental Management**

Attn: Janet T. Hart
2580 Northeast Expressway
Atlanta, GA 30345

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OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL CHAPTER 13

Statutory Authority: 1976 Code Sections 35-11-100 et seq.

Notice of Drafting:

The Office of the Attorney General proposes to promulgate regulations to implement the South Carolina Anti-Money Laundering Act. Interested persons may submit comments to J. Louis Cote III, Assistant Attorney General, Office of the S.C. Attorney General, P.O. Box 11549, Columbia, SC 29211-1549, or via email at MSB@scag.gov. To be considered, comments must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. on July 24, 2017, the close of the drafting comment period.

Synopsis:

The Office of the Attorney General proposes to promulgate regulations to implement the South Carolina Anti-Money Laundering Act, which includes the regulation of certain money services businesses.

Legislative review of the proposed regulations will be required.

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION CHAPTER 43

Statutory Authority: 1976 Code Sections 59-5-60(1) and 59-25-110

Notice of Drafting:

The South Carolina Board of Education proposes to amend Regulation 43-52, Application for Teaching Credential.

Interested persons may submit their comments in writing to Ms. Mary Hipp, Director, Office of Educator Services, Division of Federal, State, and Community Resources, 8301 Parklane Road, Columbia, South Carolina 29223 or by e-mail to mhipp@ed.sc.gov. To be considered, all comments must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. on July 24, 2017.

Synopsis:

State Board of Education Regulation 43-52 governs the required application documents, fees, and effective dates of credentials for applicants seeking a South Carolina educator credential. Amendments to Regulation 43-52 will replace outdated document titles and office names, clarify credential effective dates, and remove references to the federal No Child Left Behind Act of 2001.

Legislative review is required.

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

CHAPTER 43

Statutory Authority: 1976 Code Sections 59-5-60 and 59-5-65

Notice of Drafting:

The South Carolina Board of Education proposes to amend Regulation 43-51, Certification Requirements.

Interested persons may submit their comments in writing to Ms. Mary Hipp, Director, Office of Educator Services, Division of Federal, State, and Community Resources, 8301 Parklane Road, Columbia, South Carolina 29223 or by e-mail to mhipp@ed.sc.gov. To be considered, all comments must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. on July 24, 2017.

Synopsis:

State Board of Education Regulation 43-51 governs the requirements for granting educator certificates. Amendments to Regulation 43-51 will remove the names of specific approved non-traditional or alternative educator preparation providers and replace these with general language indicating that an appropriate alternative route certificate will be issued to a candidate meeting the requirements for certification outlined in the Board of Education guidelines for a specific provider. The State Board of Education is authorized under Regulation 43-51 to approve non-traditional or alternative educator preparation providers and to promulgate related guidelines for the provider. These amendments will eliminate the need to change the regulation any time the State Board of Education approves a new alternative educator preparation provider.

Legislative review is required.

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

CHAPTER 43

Statutory Authority: 1976 Code Sections 59-5-60(1), 59-25-110, 59-26-10 et seq., and 20 U.S.C. Section 6301 et seq.

Notice of Drafting:

The South Carolina Board of Education proposes to amend Regulation 43-53, Credential Classification.

Interested persons may submit their comments in writing to Ms. Mary Hipp, Director, Office of Educator Services, Division of Federal, State, and Community Resources, 8301 Parklane Road, Columbia, South Carolina 29223 or by e-mail to mhipp@ed.sc.gov. To be considered, all comments must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. on July 24, 2017.

Synopsis:

State Board of Education Regulation 43-53 governs the types of certificates issued to educators. Amendments to Regulation 43-53 will update requirements for issuing certain credential types and will remove the names of specific approved non-traditional or alternative educator preparation providers. These specific terms will be replaced with general language indicating that an appropriate alternative route certificate will be issued to a candidate meeting the requirements for certification outlined in the Board of Education guidelines for a specific provider.

Legislative review is required.

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CHAPTER 43

Statutory Authority: 1976 Code Sections 59-5-60, 59-67-240, 59-67-410, 59-67-470, and 59-67-570

Notice of Drafting:

The Department of Education, Office of Transportation, proposes to amend Regulation 43-80, Operation of Public Pupil Transportation Services that addresses the school bus driver certification program.

Interested persons may submit their comments in writing to Richard Podmore, Director of Safety and Information, Office of Transportation, 1429 Senate St., Room 1104-A, Columbia, SC 29201 or by e-mail to rpodmore@ed.sc.gov on or before 5:00 p.m. on June 27, 2017. To be considered, all comments must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. on June 26, 2017.

Synopsis:

South Carolina Code of Laws Section 59-67-470 (Bus drivers; selection; eligibility, training and certificates) establishes criteria for selecting and employing school bus drivers. It also authorizes the State Board of Education to provide a rigid training and testing program for prospective drivers and requires that successful candidates be issued school bus driver certificates. Regulation 43-80, Section N further details the training/testing processes and establishes different classifications of school bus driver certificates.

The change to the regulation is proposed to allow greater flexibility in certifying drivers to operate school buses. The addition of the Certificate A Non-Commercial sub-classification would enable districts to utilize small, 14-passenger state or district owned or leased buses in situations where a larger bus would not be practical or feasible. While drivers of these vehicles would still be required to complete the same classroom curriculum, behind-the-wheel training regimen, and annual in-service training as the holders of a Certificate A Commercial, they would not be required to hold a commercial driver's license (CDL). This change would also enable districts to more quickly train, certify, and employ drivers. Although Certificate A Non-Commercial holders would only be able to operate 14-passenger buses, they would be able to do so while working toward a CDL which would enable them to driver larger buses.

Changes will also be made to unify the titling of each certification category and their respective sub-classifications; to clarify the vehicles which may be operated under each certification category; to reflect that all certification categories have multiple sub-classifications; to renumber the regulation to reflect the addition of a sub-classification; to add driver candidate disqualification for license suspensions during the 12 months preceding classroom instruction; and to remove a reference and timeline for changing from a single-category certification program to a multi-category certification program.

Changes will be made to the Special Transportation Service section to remove all references to boat to bring this regulation in line with Section 59-67-535. Clean up will be done on this regulation to renumber sections and subsections; change the terminology from pupil(s) and child(ren) to student(s), in addition to other minor changes, to bring this regulation in line with other agency regulations.

Legislative review is required.

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

CHAPTER 43

Statutory Authority: 1976 Code Section 59-39-100 (to be codified, Supp. 2017)

Notice of Drafting:

The South Carolina Board of Education proposes to add a new regulation, Regulation 43-235, South Carolina Employability Credential for Students with Disabilities.

Interested persons may submit their comments in writing to John R. Payne, Director, Office of Special Education Services, Division of College and Career Readiness, 1919 Blanding Street, Columbia, SC 29201 or by email to jrpayne@ed.sc.gov. To be considered, all comments must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. on July 24, 2017.

Synopsis:

The South Carolina Board of Education is proposing to add a new regulation governing the State's Employability Credential recently enacted by the amended S.C. Code Ann. Section 59-39-100. This new regulation will promulgate the program components and criteria for a state-recognized Employability Credential for applicable students with disabilities for whom such a credential will be appropriate. This credential is not a State high school diploma.

Legislative review is required.

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

CHAPTER 43

Statutory Authority: 1976 Code Sections 59-5-60 and 59-5-65

Notice of Drafting:

The South Carolina Board of Education proposes to amend Regulation 43-57.2, Teaching Experience Acceptable for Credit.

Interested persons may submit their comments in writing to Ms. Mary Hipp, Director, Office of Educator Services, Division of Federal, State, and Community Resources, 8301 Parklane Road, Columbia, South Carolina 29223 or by e-mail to mhipp@ed.sc.gov. To be considered, all comments must be received no later than 5:00 p.m. on July 24, 2017.

Synopsis:

State Board of Education Regulation 43-57.2 governs the work experience that can be accepted for educator experience credit on an educator certificate. Amendments to Regulation 43-57.2 will update and clarify the types of positions that can be accepted for educator experience credit and the related documentation necessary for verification purposes.

Legislative review is required.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL CHAPTER 61

Statutory Authority: 1976 Code Sections 44-71-10 et seq.

Notice of Drafting:

The Department of Health and Environmental Control proposes to amend Regulation 61-78, *Standards for Licensing Hospices*. Interested persons may submit written comments to Gwen C. Thompson, Bureau Chief, Bureau of Health Facilities Licensing, South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control, 2600 Bull Street, Columbia, South Carolina 29201 or via email at HealthRegComm@dhec.sc.gov. Comments may also be submitted electronically at the following address: <http://www.scdhec.gov/Agency/RegulationsAndUpdates/PublicComments/>, under the Notice of Drafting for R.61-78. To be considered, all comments must be received no later than 5:00 p.m., July 24, 2017, the close of the comment period.

Synopsis:

On May 19, 2017, Governor Henry McMaster signed into law Act No. 61 amending the Hospice Licensure Act. The Department proposes amending R.61-78 to incorporate the provisions of Act No. 61 into its oversight of hospices.

The Department may also include stylistic changes, which may include corrections for clarity and readability, grammar, punctuation, definitions, references, codification and overall improvement of the text of the regulation.

Legislative review will be required.

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STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
 CHAPTER 43

Statutory Authority: 1976 Code Sections 59-5-60, 59-59-10 et seq., and Pub. L. No. 114-95

43-205. Administrative and Professional Personnel Qualifications, Duties and Workloads.

Synopsis:

Regulation 43-205 defines the qualifications of administrative and professional personnel for the district and school level. The regulation also describes the duties, as well as the workloads of the personnel of the school level personnel.

The amendments will remove references to No Child Left Behind and “highly qualified.” Additional language will clarify terminology and provide legal citations to professional personnel for qualifications and duties.

Notice of Drafting for the proposed amendments to the regulation was published in the *State Register* on July 22, 2016.

Instructions:

Entire regulation is to be replaced with the following text.

Text:

43-205. Administrative and Professional Personnel Qualifications, Duties, and Workloads.

I. District-Level Administrative Personnel

Personnel employed as administrative assistants, supervisors, and consultants having responsibilities for supervising instructional programs and student services must hold a master’s degree and be certified in their area of primary responsibility or must earn a minimum of 6 semester hours annually toward appropriate certification. The district superintendent must request from the Office of Educator Services a certification permit for members of the central staff who are not properly certified. (see Reg. 43-53).

II. Pre-kindergarten through Grade Five

A. Professional Personnel Qualifications and Duties

1. Principals

Each school with an enrollment of more than 375 students must be staffed with a full-time properly certified principal. Each school with an enrollment of fewer than 375 students must be staffed with at least a part-time properly certified principal. A principal’s duties and responsibilities are to be prescribed by the district superintendent. The district superintendent must request a certification permit from the Office of Educator Services for each principal who is not properly certified. (see Reg. 43-53).

2. Assistant Principals or Curriculum Coordinators

Each school with an enrollment of 600 or more students must be staffed with at least one full-time properly certified assistant principal or curriculum coordinator.

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3. Teachers, School Counselors, and Library Media Specialists

Each teacher, school counselor, and library media specialist must be properly certified by the State Board of Education. The duties and responsibilities of teachers, school counselors, and library media specialists are to be prescribed by the school principal. The district superintendent must request a certification permit from the Office of Educator Services for each eligible teacher, school counselor, and library media specialist who are not properly certified. (see Reg. 43-53).

4. School Nurses

Each school nurse must hold a current license issued by the State Board of Nursing to practice as a professional registered nurse or as a licensed practical nurse who is working under the supervision of a professional registered nurse. The duties and responsibilities of a school nurse are to be prescribed by the principal in accordance with the laws and regulations governing nursing in South Carolina. If a school nurse works in more than one school, his or her duties and responsibilities are to be prescribed by the district superintendent or his or her designee in accordance with the laws and regulations governing nursing in South Carolina.

B. Professional Personnel Workload

1. Regular Education Teachers

a. The average student-teacher ratio in any school must not exceed 28:1 based on the average daily enrollment. The total number of teachers must include all regular, special-area, and resource teachers whose students are counted in the regular enrollment.

b. Each district must maintain an average student-teacher ratio of 21:1 based on the average daily enrollment in reading and mathematics classes in grades kindergarten through three.

c. Class sizes must not exceed the following student-teacher ratios:

Grade Level	Maximum Student-Teacher Ratio
Pre-kindergarten	20:1
Grades K-3	30:1
Grades 4-5, English language arts and mathematics	30:1
Grades 4-5, all other subjects	35:1

d. Paraprofessionals may be counted in computing the student-teacher ratio at the rate of .5 per paraprofessional if they work under the supervision of a teacher and make up no more than 10 percent of the total staff. Excluded from the computation are the following:

1. teachers of self-contained special education classes, pre-kindergarten and kindergarten classes, principals, assistant principals, library media specialists, school counselors; and

2. students in self-contained special education classes, pre-kindergarten classes, or kindergarten classes.

2. School Counselors and Specialists in Art, Music, and Physical Education

a. Schools having any combination of grades kindergarten through five must employ the full-time equivalent (FTE) of a school counselor and specialists in art, music, and physical education (PE) in the following ratios for each area:

Average Daily Enrollment	FTE	Minimum Allotted Time Daily
800 or more	1.0	300 minutes
640-799	.8	240 minutes
480-639	.6	180 minutes
320-479	.4	120 minutes
Less than 320	.2	60 minutes

b. Music teachers may teach a maximum of 40 students per class period. The total teaching load must not exceed 240 students per day. Exceptions: When band, chorus, and orchestra require rehearsals of their entire enrollment, any number is acceptable if adequate space is available.

c. PE teachers may teach a maximum of 40 students per class period. The total teaching load must not exceed 240 students per day. If PE and health are taught on alternate days by the same teacher to the same class, the 40-student maximum and 240-student totals are also permitted for health. When health is taught as a separate subject, the teaching load is a maximum of 35 students per period and a total of 150 students per day.

3. Library Media Specialists

Schools with fewer than 375 students must provide at least half-time services of a certified library media specialist. Schools with 375 or more students must provide the services of a full-time certified library media specialist.

4. Special Education Teachers

a. The teaching load for teachers of self-contained special education classes must not exceed the following student-teacher ratios:

Area	Maximum Ratio Based on Average Daily Enrollment
Mental Disabilities (mild)	15:1
Emotional Disabilities	12:1
Learning Disabilities	15:1
Mental Disabilities (moderate and severe) and Orthopedically Impaired	12:1
Visually Impaired	10:1
Deaf and Hard of Hearing	10:1

b. Cross-categorical self-contained classes must not exceed the following student-teacher ratios:

Area	Maximum Ratio Based on Average Daily Enrollment
Mental Disabilities (mild) and Learning Disabilities	15:1
Mental Disabilities (mild), Learning Disabilities, and Emotional Disabilities	12:1
Mental Disabilities (mild), Learning Disabilities, Emotional Disabilities, and Orthopedically Impaired	12:1

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When four or more students identified as emotionally disabled or orthopedically impaired are enrolled in a cross-categorical class, a full-time teaching assistant must be employed.

c. The maximum teaching load required for resource teachers and itinerant teachers for students with disabilities based on the average daily enrollment is as follows:

Area	Maximum Teaching Load
Mental Disabilities (mild)	33 students
Emotional Disabilities	33 students
Learning Disabilities	33 students
Mental Disabilities (moderate and severe) and Orthopedically Impaired	20 students
Visually Impaired	15 students
Deaf and Hard of Hearing	15 students

d. When resource teachers and/or itinerant teachers serve students with differing disabilities, the maximum teaching load must be determined by the majority of the students in enrollment in an area of disability.

e. The maximum caseload for speech language therapists must not exceed 60 students.

III. Grades Six through Eight

A. Professional Personnel Qualifications and Duties

1. Principals

a. Each school with an enrollment of 250 students or more must employ a full-time properly certified principal. Schools with fewer than 250 students in enrollment must be staffed with at least a half-time properly certified principal. A principal's duties and responsibilities are to be prescribed by the district superintendent. The district superintendent must request a certification permit from the Office of Educator Services for each principal who is not properly certified (see Reg. 43-53).

b. Each campus principal of a multicampus school with an enrollment of 250 students or more must comply with certification regulations prescribed for a principal of a single campus school.

2. Assistant Principals/Assistant Directors or Curriculum Coordinators

In addition to employing a full-time principal, each school with an enrollment of 500 or more students must be staffed with one full-time properly certified assistant principal or curriculum coordinator. An additional properly certified assistant principal or curriculum coordinator must be employed for a school with an enrollment of 1,000 or more.

3. Teachers, School Counselors, and Library Media Specialists

Each teacher, school counselor, and library media specialist must be properly certified by the State Board of Education. The duties and responsibilities of teachers, school counselors, and library media specialists are to be prescribed by the school principal. The district superintendent must request a certification permit from the Office of Educator Services for each eligible teacher, school counselor, and library media specialist who are not properly certified (see Reg. 43-53).

4. School Nurses

Each school nurse must hold a current license issued by the State Board of Nursing to practice as a professional registered nurse or as a licensed practical nurse who is working under the supervision of a professional registered nurse. The duties and responsibilities of a school nurse are to be prescribed by the principal in accordance with the laws and regulations governing nursing in South Carolina. If a school nurse works in more than one school, his or her duties and responsibilities are to be prescribed by the district superintendent or his or her designee in accordance with the laws and regulations governing nursing in South Carolina.

5. Career Specialists

Each career specialist must work under the supervision of a certified school counselor. The career specialist must hold a bachelor’s degree and must have earned either a Global Career and Development Facilitator (GCDF) certification or Career Development Facilitator (CDF) certification. The school counselor may serve as the career specialist if he or she holds the GCDF or the CDF credential. If this person is to provide classroom instruction, he or she must be certified.

B. Professional Personnel Workload

1. School Counselors

a. Schools with fewer than 600 students must provide the services of a school counselor in the following ratios:

Minimum Allotted Time Enrollment	Daily
Up to 200	100 minutes
201 to 300	150 minutes
301 to 400	200 minutes
401 to 500	250 minutes
501 to 600	300 minutes

b. Schools with an enrollment of 501 or more students must employ one full-time certified school counselor. Schools with more than 600 students must provide school counseling services at the ratio of one 50-minute period for every 100 students or major portion thereof.

c. A career specialist may be employed to provide career school counseling services.

d. By the 2011–12 school year, the student-to-school counseling personnel ratio will be reduced to 300 to 1 as funds become available.

2. Library Media Specialists

a. Schools with fewer than 400 students must employ a library media specialist who devotes not less than 200 minutes daily to library media services.

b. Schools with an enrollment of 400 or more students must employ a certified library media specialist devoting full time to library media services.

c. Schools having an enrollment of 750 or more must employ an additional full-time person (paraprofessional or certified library media specialist) in the library media center.

3. Classroom Teachers

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- a. The teaching load must not exceed 150 students daily. No class may exceed 35 students in enrollment.

Grade Level	Maximum Student-Teacher Ratio
Grade 6, English language arts and mathematics	30:1
Grade 6, all other subjects	35:1
Grades 7-8	35:1

b. A maximum of 40 students per class with a total teaching load of 240 students per day is permitted for music and PE teachers. If PE and health are taught on alternate days by the same teacher to the same class, the 40-student maximum and 240-student totals are also permitted for health. When health is taught as a separate subject, the teaching load is a maximum of 35 students per class and a total of 150 students per day. Exceptions: When band, chorus, and orchestra require rehearsals of the entire enrollment, any number is acceptable if adequate space is available.

c. When a teacher's daily schedule includes a combination of academic subjects and nonacademic subjects, the maximum daily teaching load must be calculated on the basis of 30 students per academic class and 40 students for each music or PE class. (Example: 3 classes of math with 30 students each = 90 + 2 classes of PE with 40 students each = 80. The teaching load totals 170 students. The teacher is not overloaded but does teach the maximum allowable.)

d. Maximum teacher load requirements and individual class size limits are the same for minicourses as any other classes.

4. Special Education Teachers

a. The teaching load for teachers of self-contained classes must not exceed the following student-teacher ratios:

Area	Maximum Ratio Based on Average Daily Enrollment
Mental Disabilities (mild)	18:1
Emotional Disabilities	15:1
Learning Disabilities	18:1
Mental Disabilities (moderate and severe) and Orthopedically Impaired	15:1
Visually Impaired	12:1
Deaf and Hard of Hearing	12:1

b. Cross-categorical self-contained classes must not exceed the following student-teacher ratios:

Area	Maximum Ratio Based on Average Daily Enrollment
Mental Disabilities (mild) and Learning Disabilities	18:1
Mental Disabilities (mild), Learning Disabilities, and Emotional Disabilities	15:1
Mental Disabilities (mild), Learning Disabilities, Emotional Disabilities, and Orthopedically Impaired	15:1

When four or more students identified as emotionally disabled or orthopedically impaired are enrolled in a cross-categorical class, a full-time teaching assistant must be employed.

c. The maximum teaching load for resource teachers and itinerant teachers for students with disabilities based on the average daily enrollment is as follows:

Area	Maximum Teaching Load
Mental Disabilities (mild)	33 students
Emotional Disabilities	33 students
Learning Disabilities	33 students
Mental Disabilities (moderate and severe) and Orthopedically Impaired	20 students
Visually Impaired	15 students
Deaf and Hard of Hearing	15 students

d. When resource teachers and/or itinerant teachers serve students with differing disabilities, the maximum caseload must be determined by the majority of the students in enrollment in an area of disability.

e. The maximum caseload for speech-language therapists must not exceed 60 students.

IV. Grades Nine through Twelve

A. Professional Personnel Qualifications and Duties

1. Principals/Directors

a. Each school must be staffed with a full-time properly certified principal/director whose duties and responsibilities must be prescribed by the district superintendent. The district superintendent must request a certification permit from the Office of Educator Services for each principal/director who is not properly certified (see Reg. 43-53).

b. Each campus principal of a multicampus school with an enrollment of 250 students or more must comply with certification regulations prescribed for a principal of a single-campus school.

2. Assistant Principals/Assistant Directors or Curriculum Coordinators

a. In addition to being staffed with a full-time principal/director, each school with an enrollment of 400 to 499 students must be staffed with at least one half-time properly certified assistant principal or the equivalent.

b. In addition to being staffed with a full-time principal/director, each school with an enrollment of 500 or more students must be staffed with at least one full-time properly certified assistant principal/assistant director and a properly certified assistant principal or the equivalent for each additional 500 students.

3. Teachers, School Counselors, and Library Media Specialists

Each teacher, school counselor, and library media specialist must be properly certified by the State Board of Education. Their duties and responsibilities are to be prescribed by the principal. The district superintendent must request a certification permit from the Office of Educator Services for each eligible teacher, school counselor, and library media specialist who are not properly certified (see Reg. 43-53).

4. School Nurses

Each school nurse must hold a current license issued by the State Board of Nursing to practice as a professional registered nurse or as a licensed practical nurse who is working under the supervision of a professional registered nurse. The duties and responsibilities of a school nurse are to be prescribed by the

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principal in accordance with the laws and regulations governing nursing in South Carolina. If a school nurse works in more than one school, his or her duties and responsibilities are to be prescribed by the district superintendent or his or her designee in accordance with the laws and regulations governing nursing in South Carolina.

5. School Transition Coordinators

When a school-to-work transition coordinator is employed, the coordinator must be certified in one or more occupational subjects, have at least a bachelor's degree, and have two years' work experience. In lieu of these requirements, a qualified person with an employment background in business or industry may be employed as a school-to-work transition coordinator if the person possesses at least a bachelor's degree and five years of business/industry work experience in the fields of personnel or administration. If this person is to provide classroom instruction, he or she must be certified.

6. Career Specialists

Each career specialist must hold a bachelor's degree and must have obtained a Global Career and Development Facilitator (GCDF) credentialing after completing the 120 hours Career Development Facilitator (CDF) course. If the career specialist has not obtained the national global career development facilitators credentialing at the time of hire, a period of two years will be granted in order to obtain the required Center for Credentialing and Education (CCE) work experience. A school counselor may serve as the career specialist if he or she holds GCDF or CDF credential.

B. Professional Personnel Workload

1. School Counselors

a. Schools with fewer than 600 students must provide the services of a school counselor in the following ratios:

Enrollment	Minimum Allotted Time Daily
Up to 200	100 minutes
201 to 300	150 minutes
301 to 400	300 minutes
401 to 500	250 minutes
501 to 600	300 minutes

b. Schools with enrollments of 501 or more must employ one full-time certified school counselor. Schools with more than 600 students must provide school counseling services at the ratio of 50 minutes for each additional 51 to 100 students to the extent that the total school enrollment reflects a minimum of 50 minutes of school counseling services for every 100 students.

c. A career specialist may be employed to provide career school counseling services.

d. By the 2011–12 school year, the student-to-school counseling personnel ratio will be reduced to 300 to 1 as funds become available.

2. Library Media Specialists

a. Schools having an enrollment of fewer than 400 students must employ a library media specialist who must devote not less than 200 minutes daily to library media services.

b. Schools with an enrollment of 400 or more students must employ a certified library media specialist devoting full time to library media services.

c. Schools having an enrollment of 750 or more students must employ an additional full-time person (paraprofessional or certified library media specialist) in the library media center.

3. Classroom Teachers

a. The maximum daily teaching load for teachers of academic classes is 150 students. No class may exceed 35 students in enrollment.

b. A teacher must not be permitted to teach more than 1,500 minutes per week.

c. A teacher must not be assigned classes requiring more than four preparations per day.

d. A maximum of 40 students per class with a total teaching load of 240 students per day is permitted for music and PE teachers. If PE and health are taught on alternate days by the same teacher to the same class, the 40-student maximum and 240-student totals are also permitted for health. When health is taught as a separate subject, the maximum teaching load is 35 students per class and a total of 150 students per day. Exception: When band, chorus, and orchestra require rehearsals of the entire enrollment, any number is acceptable if adequate space is available.

e. When a teacher’s daily schedule includes a combination of academic and nonacademic subjects, the maximum daily teaching load must be calculated on the basis of 30 students per academic class and 40 students per music or PE class. (Example: 3 classes of math with 30 students each = 90 + 2 classes of PE with 40 students each = 80. The teaching load totals 170 students. The teacher is not overloaded but does teach the maximum allowable.)

f. In calculating teaching load, the number of students supervised in study hall by a regular teacher must be divided by 4 (example: 60 divided by 4 = 15). Study hall students must not be placed in an instructional class.

4. Special Education Teachers

a. The teaching load for teachers of self-contained classes must not exceed the following student-teacher ratios:

Area	Maximum Ratio Based on Average Daily Enrollment
Mental Disabilities (mild)	18:1
Emotional Disabilities	15:1
Learning Disabilities	18:1
Mental Disabilities (moderate and severe) and Orthopedically Impaired	15:1
Visually Impaired	12:1
Deaf and Hard of Hearing	12:1

b. Cross-categorical classes must not exceed the following student-teacher ratios:

Area	Maximum Ratio Based on Average Daily Enrollment
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Mental Disabilities (mild) and Learning Disabilities	18:1
Mental Disabilities (mild), Learning Disabilities, and Emotional Disabilities	17:1
Mental Disabilities (mild), Learning Disabilities, Emotional Disabilities, and Orthopedically Impaired	16:1

When four or more students identified as emotionally disabled or orthopedically impaired are enrolled in a cross-categorical class, a full-time teaching assistant must be employed.

c. The maximum teaching load for resource teachers and itinerant teachers for students with disabilities based on average daily enrollment is as follows:

Area	Maximum Teaching Load
Mental Disabilities (mild)	33 students
Emotional Disabilities	33 students
Learning Disabilities	33 students
Mental Disabilities (moderate and severe) and Orthopedically Impaired	20 students
Visually Impaired	15 students
Deaf and Hard of Hearing	15 students

d. When resource room and/or itinerant teachers serve students with differing disabilities, the maximum caseload must be determined by the majority of the students in enrollment in an area of disability.

e. The maximum caseload for speech-language therapists must not exceed 60 students.

Fiscal Impact Statement:

None.

Statement of Rationale:

State Board of Education Regulation 43-205 outlines districts' administrative and professional personnel qualifications, duties and workloads. The amendments will remove references to No Child Left Behind and "highly qualified." Additional language will clarify terminology and provide legal citations to professional personnel for qualifications and duties.

Document No. 4701

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION CHAPTER 43

Statutory Authority: 1976 Code Sections 59-5-60(1), 59-25-110, 59-26-10 et seq., and 20 U.S.C. 6301 et seq.

43-62. Requirements for Additional Areas of Certification.

Synopsis:

State Board of Education Regulation 43-62 governs the requirements for additional areas of certification for educators in South Carolina. Amendments to Regulation 43-62 will change the title of the regulation from Requirements for Additional Areas of Certification to Areas of Certification and will give the State Board of Education (SBE) in consultation with the South Carolina Department of Education (SCDE) authority to create,

amend, or delete areas of initial certification, add-on certification, specialized endorsements, and specialized alternative certification.

Notice of Drafting for the proposed amendments to the regulation was published in the *State Register* on July 22, 2016.

Instructions:

New regulation title. Entire regulation is to be replaced with the following text.

Text:

43-62. Areas of Certification.

I. INITIAL CERTIFICATION AREAS AND GRADE SPANS

In consultation with the South Carolina Department of Education (SCDE), the State Board of Education (SBE) has the authority to establish initial certification areas or fields as well as certification grade spans, to revise or amend certification areas, and to abolish certification areas that no longer reflect professional practice or needs of South Carolina schools and students.

II. ADDING AREAS OF CERTIFICATION

In consultation with the SCDE, the SBE has the authority to establish certification areas that may be added to a valid educator certificate, to revise or amend these areas, and to abolish add-on certification areas that no longer reflect professional practice or needs of South Carolina schools and students. In order to add an additional area of certification to a valid South Carolina credential, an educator must complete the specific requirements for that area as outlined by the SBE's guidelines.

III. SPECIALIZED ENDORSEMENTS

In consultation with the SCDE, the SBE has the authority to establish specialized endorsements that may be added to a valid educator certificate, to revise or amend specialized endorsements areas, and to abolish specialized endorsement areas that no longer reflect professional practice or needs of South Carolina schools and students. In some instances, an endorsement may be required to teach specific courses. In other instances, the endorsement represents additional training and study to enhance an educator's professional practice. In order to add an endorsement to a valid South Carolina teaching credential, an educator must complete the specific requirements for that area as outlined by the SBE.

IV. SPECIALIZED ALTERNATIVE CERTIFICATION

In consultation with the SCDE, the SBE has the authority to establish alternative certification areas and routes that are based on specialized training and do not lead to an alternate route certificate, revise or amend these specialized areas, and abolish specialized alternative certification areas that no longer reflect professional practice or needs of South Carolina schools and students. In order to be issued an educator certificate in one of these areas, the applicant must complete the specific requirements for that area as outlined by the SBE.

Fiscal Impact Statement:

None.

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Statement of Rationale:

The amendments to this regulation will allow the SBE to continue to provide appropriately qualified educators for South Carolina public schools and to address needed changes in educator training and certification more readily.

Document No. 4698

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION CHAPTER 43

Statutory Authority: 1976 Code Sections 59-5-60 and 59-25-110

43-51. Certification Requirements.

Synopsis:

State Board of Education Regulation 43-51 governs the requirements for granting educator certification. Amendments to Regulation 43-51 will clarify that both content and pedagogy examinations must be presented for certification; clarify the experience requirement necessary for an out-of-state educator to qualify for a professional, as opposed to an initial, teaching certificate; include provisions for issuing certificates for qualifying participants in all currently approved alternative certification pathways; and modify language within the regulation. Current language is specific to a particular educator preparation accrediting body (the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE) and offices within the South Carolina Department of Education (SCDE). The purpose of this amendment is to remove specific organizational names as these names often change. The new educator preparation accrediting body is the Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP); however, a new accrediting body may be formed in the future. This change would eliminate the need for a regulation change any time an accrediting body or SCDE office changes. The changes further authorize specific alternative certification programs and authorizes the SBE to authorize additional alternative certification programs.

Notice of Drafting for the proposed amendments to the regulation was published in the *State Register* on July 22, 2016.

Instructions:

Entire regulation is to be replaced with the following text.

Text:

43-51. Certification Requirements; approval of alternative certification; authorization for the SBE to approve additional alternative certification programs.

I. Requirements for Certification

The applicant must meet all requirements for certification that are in effect in the current application year (July 1–June 30). The responsibility for providing accurate and complete documentation of eligibility for certification is that of the applicant. To qualify for certification in South Carolina, the applicant must fulfill the following requirements:

A. Earn a bachelor's or master's degree either from an institution that has a state-approved teacher education program and is accredited for general collegiate purposes by a regional accreditation association, or from a South Carolina institution that has programs approved for teacher education by the State Board of Education (SBE), or from an institution that has programs approved for teacher education by a national accreditation association

with which the South Carolina Department of Education (SCDE) has an established partnership agreement. Professional education credit must be earned through an institution that has a teacher education program approved for initial certification.

1. Graduate degrees acceptable for certificate advancement include academic or professional degrees in the field of education or in an academic area for which a corresponding or relevant teaching area is authorized by the SBE.

2. All credit at the graduate level must be earned through the graduate school of an institution that is accredited for general collegiate purposes by a regional accreditation association and that has a regular graduate division that meets regional accreditation requirements. Graduate credit can also be earned through a South Carolina institution that has graduate programs approved for teacher education by the SBE or through an institution that has graduate programs approved for teacher education by a national accreditation association with which the SCDE has an established partnership agreement.

B. Submit the required teaching content area examination score(s) and the required score on the examination of general professional knowledge (pedagogy) as adopted by the SBE for purposes of certification.

C. Be at least eighteen years of age.

D. Undergo a criminal records check by the South Carolina Law Enforcement Division and a national criminal records check supported by fingerprints conducted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI). If the applicant does not complete the initial certification process within eighteen months from the original date of application, the FBI fingerprint process must be repeated. Eligible applicants who have prior arrests and/or convictions must undergo a review by the SBE and be approved before a certificate can be issued to them. Background checks from other states are not transferable to South Carolina.

II. Acceptable Credits

A. All credits are computed by semester hours; three quarter hours are equivalent to two semester hours.

B. Duplicate credit will not be allowed for courses with the same title unless approved by the teacher certification office of the SCDE.

III. Out-of-State Applicants

A. To be eligible for a South Carolina teaching certificate, the out-of-state applicant must submit the teaching area examination score(s) and the score on the examination of general professional knowledge (pedagogy) that are required for certification in the state in which he or she holds a valid standard out-of-state certificate. If no tests were required for certification in the state where the individual holds a valid standard certificate, the applicant for South Carolina certification must submit the required teaching content area examination score(s) as adopted by the SBE for purposes of certification. If the applicant has less than twenty-seven months of successful teaching experience within the last seven years in the state in which he or she holds a valid standard certificate, the applicant will be issued an initial South Carolina teaching certificate, and he or she must also submit the required score on the examination of general professional knowledge (pedagogy) as adopted by the SBE for purposes of certification in order to advance to a professional certificate.

B. Initial or advanced certification will be awarded only in the area(s) of certification held by the out-of-state applicant that most closely conform(s) to corresponding or relevant South Carolina area(s) of certification.

IV. Alternative Preparation Program Applicants

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A. An individual who qualifies under the Program of Alternative Certification for Educators (PACE) guidelines as adopted by the SBE may be issued an alternative route certificate. Successful completion of certification requirements as prescribed in the PACE guidelines as adopted by the State Board of Education will qualify the applicant for a professional certificate.

B. An individual who qualifies under the Teach for America (TFA) guidelines as adopted by the SBE may be issued an alternative route certificate. Successful completion of certification requirements as prescribed in the TFA guidelines as adopted by the State Board of Education will qualify the applicant for a professional certificate.

C. An individual who qualifies under the American Board for the Certification of Teacher Excellence (ABCTE) Act may be issued an alternative route certificate. Successful completion of certification requirements as prescribed in the statute will qualify the applicant for a professional certificate.

D. An individual who is seeking certification through Teachers of Tomorrow (ToT) must not be hired by a school district in South Carolina without completing the electronic fingerprinting process required by the teacher certification office of the South Carolina Department of Education at the time of application and without having undergone a criminal records check by the South Carolina Law Enforcement Division and a national criminal records check supported by fingerprints and conducted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation pursuant to Section [59-25-115](#)(B). Background checks are valid for a period of eighteen months.

1. A person who is seeking certification through Teachers of Tomorrow, who has a minimum of a bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited college or university or an institution with a teacher education program that has been approved by the SBE for certification purposes, who has earned a successful score on the certification content area examination approved by the SBE, and who has met the requirements of subsection D is considered to have met the requirements for certification and must be issued an appropriate alternative route certificate as determined by the SBE upon confirmation of employment by a public school or school district. The alternative route certificate must be valid for one year and may be renewed annually for two additional years upon the successful completion of teaching and of the hiring district's induction program.

2. A person who maintains a valid Alternative Route certificate for Teachers of Tomorrow and has been initially hired by a school district must be required, as a condition for professional certification, to successfully pass the South Carolina adopted pedagogy examination and to demonstrate teaching effectiveness by a successful summative evaluation at the annual contract level as part of the state's system for Assisting, Developing, and Evaluating Professional Teaching (ADEPT).

3. The SCDE shall submit annually by March thirty-first to the SBE and the General Assembly the total number of individuals employed in South Carolina with a certificate issued by Teachers of Tomorrow by district and non-privileged information on these individuals through the ADEPT reporting system. A person who has completed all requirements of this regulation and has been hired by a school district has the same responsibilities and rights as other teachers hired by the district.

4. The SBE is authorized to establish guidelines outlining the content areas in which candidates in Teacher of Tomorrow may pursue certification.

E. The SBE, pursuant to Section 59-5-60 and 59-25-110 and this Regulation, is authorized to approve additional alternative certification programs and outline the content areas in which candidates may pursue certification pursuant to rules and guidelines published by the Board.

V. Student Teachers

A. All individuals pursuing undergraduate or graduate programs leading to initial teacher certification must complete the student teaching requirement adopted by the SBE.

B. An individual who has met all requirements for certification except student teaching may request that three years teaching experience be used in lieu of student teaching for certification purposes under the following conditions:

1. The teaching experience must be at least three full years as the teacher of record and earned in an accredited public or private school in grades K–12 or at a postsecondary institution. Combinations of partial year teaching assignments may be used. Experience must be post baccalaureate to be eligible for consideration.

2. The teaching experience must be in the area of preparation and in the area in which the applicant is applying for certification.

3. The individual must submit a letter or letters of recommendation, attesting to the successful evaluation of teaching in the certification area, written by the administrative authority of the school or school district where he or she has taught for the specified period.

4. The individual must submit copies of school or school district evaluations providing evidence of his or her successful teaching.

5. The individual must submit evidence from the institution of higher education affirming that he or she has met all requirements for the approved teacher education program with the exception of student teaching.

C. Applicants for certification in work based career and technology education are not required to complete student teaching.

VI. Required Examinations.

A. All applicants must submit the required teaching content area examination score(s) and the required score on the examination of general professional knowledge (pedagogy) as adopted by the SBE for purposes of certification.

B. An initial certificate will be issued to individuals who seek certification in areas for which no teaching area examination exists and who meet all requirements for certification in effect on the date that the teacher certification office of the SCDE receives all required documentation other than a certification test score. Once a test for the particular area of certification is adopted by the SBE, these individuals will be required to present a passing score on the test within one year following the Board’s action.

C. Certification in work-based career and technology education requires the successful completion of all sections of the basic skills examination and the trade competency examination adopted by the SBE for work-based career and technology education.

VII. Verification of Eligibility

The teacher certification office of the SCDE may verify the eligibility of an applicant for certification by ascertaining

(a) that the applicant has verified his or her completion of a state-approved teacher preparation program,

OR

(b) that the applicant has a valid corresponding certificate from a state with which South Carolina has reciprocity through the Interstate Agreement on Qualifications of Educational Personnel,

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(c) that the applicant has met the requirements for the Program of Alternative Certification for Educators (PACE) for certification, OR

(d) that the applicant has met the requirements for Teach for America for certification,

OR

(e) that the applicant has met the requirements for the American Board for the Certification of Teacher Excellence for certification.

Fiscal Impact Statement:

None.

Statement of Rationale:

Amendments to Regulation 43-51 will clarify that both content and pedagogy examinations must be presented for certification; clarify the experience requirement necessary for an out-of-state educator to qualify for a professional, as opposed to an initial, teaching certificate; include provisions for issuing certificates for qualifying participants in all currently approved alternative certification pathways; and modify language within the regulation.

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STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
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Statutory Authority: 1976 Code Sections 59-5-60(1), 59-25-110, 59-26-10 et seq., and Pub. L. No. 114-95

43-53. Credential Classification.

Synopsis:

State Board of Education Regulation 43-53 governs the requirements for teacher credential classifications. Amendments to Regulation 43-53 will clarify conditions in which an educator may request extensions of an initial teaching certificate; delete temporary, transitional, and graded certificate types that are no longer issued; delete the special subject certificate which is no longer issued; and modify language within the regulation to reflect requirements of the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA). Current language is specific to a particular educator preparation accrediting body (the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE)). The purpose of this amendment is to remove specific organizational names as these names often change. The new educator preparation accrediting body is the Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP); however, a new accrediting body may be formed in the future. This change would eliminate the need for a regulation change any time an accrediting body changes.

Notice of Drafting for the proposed amendments to the regulation was published in the *State Register* on July 22, 2016.

Instructions:

Entire regulation is to be replaced with the following text.

Text:

43-53. Credential Classification.

I. Types of Credential Classification

A. Initial Certificate

An initial certificate is valid for three years. Beyond the initial three-year validity period, teachers who do not yet meet the requirements for professional certification, but who are employed by a public school district at the induction or annual contract level, as defined in S.C. Code Ann. Section 59-26-40, may have their certificates extended annually at the request of the employing school district.

Teachers who hold initial certificates and are employed in a public school setting in a position that does not require certification or is not included in the ADEPT system may have their certificates extended annually for an indefinite period at the request of the employing school or school district, provided that certificate renewal requirements, as specified in Reg.43-55 (Renewal of Credentials) are met every five years.

Teachers who hold initial certificates and are employed in a nonpublic school educational setting may have their certificates extended annually for an indefinite period at the request of the educational entity, provided that certificate renewal requirements, as specified in Reg.43-55 (Renewal of Credentials) are met every five years.

Teachers who hold initial certificates but who are not employed by a public school district in a position requiring certification at the time the initial certificate expires, and who have not otherwise met the requirements for professional certification, may reapply for an initial certificate at such time as they become employed by a public school district or private school, subject to the requirements for initial certification in effect at the time of reapplication. To qualify for an initial certificate, the applicant must fulfill the following requirements:

1. Earn a bachelor's or master's degree either from an institution that has a state-approved teacher education program and is accredited for general collegiate purposes by a regional accreditation association, or from a South Carolina institution that has programs approved for teacher education by the State Board of Education, or from an institution that has programs approved for teacher education by a national accreditation association with which the South Carolina Department of Education has a partnership agreement. Professional education credit must be earned through an institution that has a teacher education program approved for initial certification.

2. Submit the required teaching content area examination score(s) and the required score on the examination of general professional knowledge (pedagogy) as adopted by the State Board of Education for purposes of certification.

3. Undergo a criminal records check by the South Carolina Law Enforcement Division and a national criminal records check supported by fingerprints conducted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation. If the applicant does not complete the initial certification process within eighteen months from the original date of application, the FBI fingerprint process must be repeated. Eligible applicants who have prior arrests and/or convictions must undergo a review by the State Board of Education and be approved before a certificate may be issued. Background checks from other states or agencies are not transferable to South Carolina.

B. Professional Certificate

All professional certificates are valid for five years. To qualify for each successive level of professional certification (bachelor's degree, bachelor's degree plus 18 hours, master's degree, master's degree plus 30 hours, and doctorate), an applicant must

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1. Meet all criteria for initial area of certification and have earned a bachelor's degree that meets State Board of Education regulations for teacher certification and program approval and successfully complete the induction program, the ancillary requirements (including any additional testing requirements approved by the State Board of Education), and the formal evaluation of teaching performance and effectiveness approved by the State Board of Education

OR

2. Successfully complete the requirements for reciprocity according to Interstate Agreement on Qualifications of Educational Personnel

OR

3. Hold a valid National Board teaching certification.

C. Alternative Route Certificate

1. The alternative route certificate for the Program of Alternative Certification for Educators (PACE) is valid for one year initially. The certificate will be issued to those individuals who qualify under the PACE guidelines as adopted by the State Board of Education. Alternative certificates for PACE can be renewed twice on the basis of successful completion of annual program requirements as approved by the State Board of Education. The teacher will be eligible for a professional certificate upon his or her successful completion of all program requirements within the three-year program period, including additional testing requirements approved by the State Board of Education and the formal/summative evaluation of teaching performance and effectiveness approved by the State Board of Education.

2. The alternative route certificate for Teach for America (TFA) is valid for one year initially. The certificate will be issued to those individuals who qualify under the TFA guidelines as adopted by the State Board of Education. Alternative certificates for TFA can be renewed once on the basis of successful completion of annual program requirements as approved by the State Board of Education. A TFA teacher who chooses to pursue a professional certificate in South Carolina may be issued two additional one-year alternative route certificates in accordance with the TFA guidelines approved by the State Board of Education. The teacher will be eligible for a professional certificate upon his or her successful completion of all program requirements, including additional testing requirements approved by the State Board of Education, course work approved by the State Board of Education, and the formal/summative evaluation of teaching performance and effectiveness approved by the State Board of Education.

3. The alternative route certificate for an individual who qualifies under the American Board for the Certification of Teacher Excellence (ABCTE) Act is valid for one year initially and may be renewed twice on the basis of successful completion of annual program requirements. The teacher will be eligible for a professional certificate upon his or her successful completion of all program requirements within the three-year program period, including additional testing requirements approved by the State Board of Education and the formal/summative evaluation of teaching performance and effectiveness approved by the State Board of Education.

4. The alternative route certificate for Teachers of Tomorrow (ToT) under Regulation 43-51 is valid for one year initially and may be renewed twice on the basis of successful completion of annual program requirements. The teacher will be eligible for a professional certificate upon his or her successful completion of all program requirements within the three-year program period, including additional testing requirements approved by the State Board of Education and the formal/summative evaluation of teaching performance and effectiveness approved by the State Board of Education.

D. International Certificate

An International Certificate may be issued to a teacher from a country outside of the United States provided the individual has completed at least a bachelor's degree with a major in the teaching field. Organizations that recruit and select teachers from other countries to teach in South Carolina must assure that all cultural/educational visa requirements have been met. The International Certificate will be renewed annually for up to three years at the request of the local school district, provided the teacher has met the certification examination requirements specified by the State Board of Education during the first year of certification.

E. Internship Certificate

1. The Internship Certificate will be issued to individuals who are currently enrolled in a State Board of Education approved teacher education program in South Carolina and have completed all academic and bachelor's degree requirements, with the exception of the teaching internship, as well as all certification examination requirements. The certificate will be issued for up to one year, and must be requested by the employing school district. Upon completion of the teaching internship and verification by the college or university that all approved program requirements have been met, the internship certificate will be converted to an initial certificate.

2. The Internship Certificate will also be issued to any individual who is serving the required internship for certification as a School Psychologist I or II under the supervision of a certified School Psychologist II or III, or who is serving the required internship for School Psychologist III under the supervision of a certified School Psychologist III.

The applicant for the Internship Certificate in School Psychology must submit official written verification from the college or university that he or she is currently enrolled and working toward full certification as a school psychologist, and that the internship is being served through a State Board of Education-approved training program. The Internship Certificate may be renewed once on the basis of written documentation from the director of the school psychology program that the applicant is a full-time student in the program during the second year of the renewed certificate.

3. The Internship Certificate will also be issued to any individual who holds the Certificate of Clinical Competence in Speech-Language Pathology issued by the American Speech-Hearing Association (ASHA) or who has completed a master's degree that includes the academic and clinical requirements for the ASHA Certificate of Clinical Competence and has achieved the minimum qualifying score on the required certification examination(s). The certificate will be effective for one academic year and must be requested by the employing school district. The Internship Certificate may be converted to a professional certificate upon verification of a successful evaluation of the individual's performance during the initial year of employment.

F. Limited Professional Certificate

The purpose of the Limited Professional Certificate is to provide a certificate advancement option for educators who hold South Carolina Initial teaching certificates and who are employed as educators in eligible, non-regulated educational entities in this state. In this context, "non-regulated" means that the entity is not required to comply with State Board of Education regulations and guidelines for evaluating educator performance and effectiveness. Examples of eligible, non-regulated educational entities include South Carolina public charter schools that elect not to participate in the State Board of Education-approved process for evaluating teacher performance and effectiveness, state or regionally accredited private and parochial schools in South Carolina, and South Carolina institutions of higher education that have programs approved for teacher preparation by the State Board of Education.

1. In order to be eligible to advance from an initial certificate to a Limited Professional Certificate, the educator must be employed by an eligible, non-regulated educational entity in South Carolina and must have

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accrued a minimum total of three years of experience credit over the previous seven years in one or more of these entities. During the entirety of the qualifying time period, the educator must

(a) hold a valid South Carolina Initial teaching certificate,

(b) be employed as a teacher or a professional support specialist, such as a library media specialist, school guidance counselor, or other support professional, in an area in which the educator holds Initial certification, and

(c) successfully complete an annual performance evaluation process that is approved by the employing educational entity.

2. In order to activate the certificate advancement process (i.e., from Initial to Limited Professional), the educator must submit the following documents to the SCDE office that is responsible for educator certification:

(a) a request for change/action requesting advancement for the Limited Professional Certificate,

(b) official verification of experience,

(c) verification of successful annual performance evaluations from each employing entity, and

(d) a recommendation for the Limited Professional Certificate signed by the head of the educational entity in which the educator is employed at the time the certificate is requested.

3. All Limited Professional Certificates are valid for a period of five years.

4. Requirements for renewing Limited Professional Certificates, including the provisions for expired certificates, are the same as those for Professional Certificates, as specified in State Board of Education Regulation 43-55 (Renewal of Credentials).

5. An educator who holds a valid Limited Professional Certificate and who applies for a position as a teacher or a professional support specialist in a “regulated” South Carolina public school is eligible for employment at the annual-contract level. Once employed under an annual contract, the teacher is subject to all requirements and sanctions for annual-contract teachers, as set forth in the applicable state statutes, regulations, and guidelines. Upon successful completion of the State Board of Education-approved process for evaluating teaching performance and effectiveness, the educator is eligible to move from a Limited Professional Certificate to a Professional Certificate and to be employed under a continuing contract.

G. Certification Permit

A one-year certification permit may be issued to an educator who holds a valid South Carolina initial or professional teaching certificate and is assigned teaching duties for any amount of time in an area for which he or she is not appropriately certified. Permits may be issued to classroom-based teachers and for the areas of administration, library media specialist, and school guidance counselor. Certification permits are not issued for the areas of school psychologist and speech-language therapist.

The South Carolina Department of Education has the authority to develop guidelines for the issuance of certification permits in accordance with the provisions of this regulation to include eligibility for the issuance of a certification permit, annual coursework requirements and progress necessary for renewal of the permit, and final requirements for attaining full certification in the permit area. Certification permits must be requested by the educator and his or her employing school or school district.

II. Levels of Credential Classification

A. Bachelor's degree: the educator must meet all criteria for an initial area of certification and have earned a bachelor's degree that meets State Board of Education regulations for teacher certification and program approval.

B. Bachelor's degree plus 18 hours: the educator must have 18 hours of graduate credit that he or she earns within seven years from the time the course work is started. Individuals who do not complete the requirements during the seven years must request that the college/university revalidate the course credits before the work can be submitted for credential advancement.

C. Master's degree: the educator must have earned a master's degree that meets State Board of Education regulations for teacher certification and program approval.

D. Master's degree plus 30 hours:

In order to advance to the level of master's degree plus 30 hours, the educator must fulfill either one of the following requirements:

1. The educator must earn 30 semester hours of graduate credit above the master's degree with 21 hours of the graduate credit in one area of concentration. These hours may or may not be in the teacher's initial area of certification. The course work must be completed within seven years from the time it was started. Individuals who do not complete the course work during the seven years must request that the college/university revalidate the course credits before the work can be submitted for credential advancement.

OR

2. The educator must earn an additional master's degree or specialist's degree that meets State Board of Education regulations for teacher certification and program approval.

E. Doctorate: the teacher must have earned a doctoral degree that meets the State Board of Education regulations for teacher certification and program approval.

III. Requirements for Credential Advancement

A. To advance his or her credential from one classification to another, the applicant must submit to the teacher certification office of the South Carolina Department of Education the following:

1. Written request to have the certificate advanced on the designated action form.
2. Documentation, including transcripts, that the State Board of Education requirements have been met for certificate advancement.
3. The specified fee, if such a fee is currently being charged.

B. The effective date of the credential advancement will be based on the following:

1. If the applicant becomes eligible for a revised level of credential between November 1 and April 30, the credential will become valid either from the date the teacher submits the completed application with all the necessary documentation or from the date on which the teacher completes the requirements for the credential, provided that the teacher files his or her application in the teacher certification office of the South Carolina Department of Education within forty-five calendar days after the date on which he or she completes the requirements.

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2. If the applicant becomes eligible for a revised level of credential after April 30, the credential will become valid on July 1 of the calendar year in which he or she completes the existing requirements, provided that the completed application is submitted on or before November 1.

Fiscal Impact Statement:

None.

Statement of Rationale:

Amendments to Regulation 43-53 will clarify conditions in which an educator may request extensions of an initial teaching certificate; delete temporary, transitional, and graded certificate types that are no longer issued; delete the special subject certificate which is no longer issued; modify language within the regulation to reflect requirements of the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA); and modify language within the regulation referring to specific accreditation organizations or offices within the South Carolina Department of Education.

Document No. 4728

COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION

CHAPTER 62

Statutory Authority: 1976 Code Section 59-111-330

62-1100 through 62-1170. Free Tuition for Residents Sixty Years of Age.

Synopsis:

R.62-1100 through 62-1170 of Chapter 62 is being amended. Revisions to the existing regulation for the Regulation governing the Free Tuition for Residents Sixty Years of Age Program are being considered to clarify the policies and procedures for administering the program. In the proposed amendment, the requirement that a recipient of the tuition waiver cannot be full-time employed, is being removed. The revisions seek to comply with recent changes to statute during the 2015-2016 Legislative Session (Act 50 of 2015).

A Notice of Drafting for the proposed regulation was published in the *South Carolina State Register* on July 22, 2016.

Instructions:

Amend and replace R.62-1100 through 62-1170 of Chapter 62 with the following.

Text:

FREE TUITION FOR RESIDENTS SIXTY YEARS OF AGE

(Statutory Authority: 1976 Code Section 59-111-330)

- 62-1100. Authority.
- 62-1110. Eligibility.
- 62-1120. Authorization.
- 62-1130. Program Definitions.
- 62-1140. Proof of Eligibility.
- 62-1150. Inquiries and Appeals.
- 62-1160. Penalties for Misrepresenting Eligibility.
- 62-1170. Institutional Eligibility for State Support.

62-1100. Authority.

Pursuant to the authority granted to the Commission on Higher Education by the 1976 Code Section 59-111-330, regulations governing the administration of the provision for free tuition for residents sixty years of age are hereby established.

62-1110. Eligibility.

State-supported colleges and universities are authorized to permit legal residents of South Carolina who have attained the age of sixty to attend classes for credit or noncredit purposes on a space available basis without the required payment of tuition if these persons meet admission and other standards deemed appropriate by the college or university.

62-1120. Authorization.

Institutions are authorized but not required to waive the tuition portion of the cost of a course in which eligible residents enroll. The costs of any fees, charges, and/or textbooks normally associated with the course remain in effect and must be borne by the participant.

62-1130. Program Definitions.

A. "Classes for credit or non-credit" is defined as regularly scheduled classes, including those offered through distance education, in which an adequate number of students not eligible for the over sixty waiver are enrolled. An adequate number of students, for the purpose of this provision, shall be consistent with institutional policy.

B. "Legal residents of South Carolina" is defined as those persons who would otherwise be eligible to pay in-state tuition and fees per Regulation 62-600 - Determination of Rates of Tuition and Fees.

C. "Persons meeting admission and other standards" is defined as persons who have evidence via documentation or evaluation normally accepted by the institutions which show that all course prerequisites have been satisfied.

D. "Persons who have attained the age of sixty" is defined as persons who have reached the age of sixty no later than the first day of class of the term for which the waiver is sought.

E. "Space available basis" is defined as the upper limit of class capacity, both physical and academic, as defined by institutional policy.

F. "State supported college or university" is defined as (1) those institutions enumerated in Section 59-107-10 and the branches and extensions of those institutions; and (2) those institutions under the jurisdiction of the State Board for Technical and Comprehensive Education.

G. "Tuition" is defined as the amount charged for registering for a credit hour of instruction and shall not be construed to include standard fees, charges, or costs of textbooks.

62-1140. Proof of Eligibility.

State supported colleges or universities which offer this waiver may require such proof as deemed necessary to ensure that those applying are eligible for the benefit requested.

62-1150. Inquiries and Appeals.

Each institution offering this waiver shall publish a policy governing the administration of this provision, shall ensure that the policy is accessible to all interested parties, and shall make the policy available upon request. The policy shall include an appeals process to accommodate persons wishing to appeal determinations made. Neither the primary official nor appellate official(s) may waive the provisions of the Statute or regulation governing free tuition for residents sixty years of age.

62-1160. Penalties for Misrepresenting Eligibility.

All persons receiving benefits under this provision shall be responsible for notifying the institution of any changes that would affect such eligibility. Any applicant who willfully misrepresents his eligibility for the tuition waiver, or any person who knowingly aids or abets such applicant in misrepresenting his eligibility for such benefits, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction, shall be fined not more than one hundred dollars or imprisoned for not more than thirty days.

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62-1170. Institutional Eligibility for State Support.

Persons attending classes under the provisions of this article, on a space available basis without payment of tuition, shall neither be counted in the computation of enrollment for funding purposes nor considered on a formula basis for the issuance of capital improvement bonds.

Fiscal Impact Statement:

The cost of this regulatory change is difficult to assess, due to the fact that the statute governing the program provides the flexibility to the institutions to only offer the program on a seat-available basis, and allows institutions the discretion to determine the degree to which they will waive tuition and fees in the program annually.

Statement of Rationale:

R.62-1100 through 62-1170 of Chapter 62 is being amended. Revisions to the existing regulation for the Regulation governing the Free Tuition for Residents Sixty Years of Age Program are being considered to clarify the policies and procedures for administering the program. In the proposed amendment, the requirement that a recipient of the tuition waiver cannot be full-time employed, is being removed. The revisions seek to promote consistency among the State institutions

Document No. 4730
COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION
CHAPTER 62
Statutory Authority: 1976 Code Section 59-114-75

62-250 through 62-262. South Carolina National Guard College Assistance Program.

Synopsis:

The South Carolina Commission on Higher Education promulgates Regulation 62-250 through 62-262 that governs requirements for the operation and administration of the South Carolina National Guard College Assistance Program under SC Code of Laws, Section 59-114-10 et seq. The program is administered by the Commission in coordination with the South Carolina National Guard and provides financial assistance for eligible enlisted guard members enrolled in undergraduate programs. The Commission proposes amendments to the regulation for further clarification of administrative procedures and additional definitions for clarification. These amendments include: 1) removal of the language that allows the recipient to receive the full annual benefit in the final semester of enrollment as required for degree completion 2) revision to the language regarding the proration of awards for less than full-time students; and 3) added definitions for qualified member, good standing, and four years.

A Notice of Drafting for the proposed regulation was published in the *South Carolina State Register* on July 22, 2016.

Instructions:

Amend and replace R.62-250 through 62-262 of Chapter 62 in its entirety.

Text:

ARTICLE IIB
SOUTH CAROLINA NATIONAL GUARD COLLEGE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

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62-250. Purpose of the South Carolina National Guard College Assistance Program

Pursuant to Act 40 of 2007, the Commission on Higher Education shall develop a college assistance program for providing incentives for enlisting or remaining for a specified time in both the South Carolina Army and Air National Guard. The Commission on Higher Education, along with the South Carolina National Guard, shall promulgate regulation and establish procedures to administer the South Carolina National Guard College Assistance Program. These South Carolina National Guard College Assistance Program benefits will cover the cost of attendance as defined by Title IV regulation, up to a maximum amount each award year. The maximum amount will be made annually and detailed in established procedures to be administered by the Commission on Higher Education.

62-251. Program Definitions

A. The “Academic Year” shall be defined as the beginning twelve month period as defined by the institution for the awarding of financial aid to a student and which includes regular terms (fall, spring, or trimester) or other terms (summer and other) in any combination.

B. “College assistance program” means the South Carolina National Guard college assistance program.

C. “Commission” means the South Carolina Commission on Higher Education.

D. “Eligible institution” means:

(1) a public institution of higher learning as defined in Section 59-103-5 and an independent institution of higher learning as defined in Section 59-113-50; and

(2) a public or independent bachelor’s level institution chartered before 1962 whose major campus and headquarters are located within South Carolina; or an independent bachelor’s level institution which was incorporated in its original charter in 1962, was granted a license to operate in 1997 by the Commission on Higher Education, has continued to maintain a campus in South Carolina, and is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools. Institutions whose sole purpose is religious or theological training or the granting of professional degrees do not meet the definition of “public or independent institution” for purposes of this chapter.

E. “National Guard” means South Carolina Army or Air National Guard.

F. “Cost of Attendance” is defined as “tuition and fees” charged for registering for credit hours of instruction, costs of textbooks, and other fees and costs associated with attendance at an eligible institution in accordance with Title IV Regulations.

G. “Degree-seeking student” is defined as any student enrolled in an eligible institution which leads to the first one-year certificate, first two-year program or associate’s degree, or first bachelor’s, or a program of study that is structured so as not to require a bachelor’s degree for acceptance into the program (and leads to a graduate degree).

H. “Eligible program of study” is defined as a program of study leading to:

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(1) at least a one-year educational program that leads to the first certificate or other recognized educational credential (e.g., diploma) as defined by the U.S. Department of Education for participation in federally funded financial aid programs and prepares students for gainful employment in recognized occupations;

(2) the first associate's degree;

(3) at least a two-year program that is acceptable for full credit towards the first bachelor's degree; or

(4) the first bachelor's degree.

I. "Full-time student" shall mean a student who has matriculated into an eligible program of study and who enrolls full-time, usually 12 credit hours for fall and spring terms.

J. "Less-than full-time student" shall mean a student who has matriculated into an eligible program of study and who enrolls part-time, e.g., usually fewer than 12 credit hours, for the fall and spring terms.

K. "Military mobilization" is defined as a situation in which the U.S. Department of Defense orders members of the United States Armed Forces to active duty away from their normal duty assignment during a time of war or national emergency, or as determined by the South Carolina Military Department.

L. "Remedial/developmental coursework" shall mean sub-collegiate level preparatory courses in English, mathematics, reading and any courses classified as remedial by the institution where the course is taken.

M. "Transfer student" shall be defined as a student who has changed enrollment from one institution to an eligible institution.

N. "Home institution" shall mean the institution where the student is currently enrolled as a degree seeking student and may be eligible for financial aid at the same institution.

O. "Satisfactory academic progress" shall be defined as the academic progress as required by the institution in which the student is enrolled as a degree-seeking student for Title IV financial aid eligibility.

P. "Attempted hours" include all enrolled semester hours or related quarter hours, whether passed or not, and does not include those hours dropped or withdrawn in accordance with institutional drop-add policies.

Q. "Qualified Member" shall be defined as a member who has completed Advanced Individual Training (AIT)/Initial Active Duty Training (IADT).

R. "Good Standing" shall be defined as a member who is a satisfactory participant in the SC National Guard.

S. "Four Years" shall be defined as four calendar years from the term the benefit covered.

62-252. Program Benefits and Maximum Assistance

A. Qualified members of the National Guard may receive college assistance program benefits up to an amount equal to one hundred percent of college cost of attendance, provided, however, these college assistance program benefits in combination with all other grants and scholarships shall not exceed the cost of attendance at the particular eligible institution in any given award year; and the cumulative total of all college assistance program benefits received may not exceed eighteen thousand dollars.

(1) These college assistance program benefits cover the cost of attendance; however, the benefit maximum per award year may be reduced if, in combination with other financial aid, the cumulative total of all aid received would exceed the cost of attendance.

(2) The annual maximum grant will be determined prior to the beginning of each academic year based on the amount of available program funds.

(3) Disbursements of this grant will typically be paid in two (fall semester, spring semester, or its equivalent) equal disbursements. Any remaining funds can be used in any succeeding terms prior to annual expiration date.

B. A member shall not qualify for college assistance program benefits for more than one hundred thirty attempted hours from the time of initial eligibility into the college assistance program.

(1) The award will be prorated so that a student's funded hours shall not exceed 130 attempted hours from the time of initial eligibility.

(2) A student will not be penalized toward the maximum one-hundred-thirty attempted hours for which the student enrolled but withdraws in accordance to institutional drop-add policies.

C. Students may not receive college assistance benefits upon completion of an eligible program to pursue an eligible program of study in the same or preceding level.

D. Students who have been awarded a bachelor's or graduate degree are not eligible for the College Assistance Program benefit.

E. Students may not receive college assistance benefits at more than one institution during the same term. Where students are enrolled in more than one institution during a semester, the benefit will be received at the student's home institution.

F. College assistance benefits must not be awarded for graduate degree courses.

G. Less than full-time students may receive college assistance program benefits.

(1) Awards for less than full-time students cannot exceed the cost of attendance.

(2) College assistance program benefits will be prorated for less than full-time enrolled students. The prorated method (based on semester calculation) will be $\frac{3}{4}$ time; $\frac{1}{2}$ time; less than $\frac{1}{2}$ time to include $\frac{1}{4}$ and less than $\frac{1}{4}$ time of the recipient's full time award value.

H. College assistance program benefits may not be applied to the cost of continuing education or graduate coursework.

I. A Guard member who qualifies under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 must meet all eligibility requirements as defined in "Program Benefits and Maximum Assistance" Sections except for the full-time enrollment requirement, if approved by the Disability Services Provider at the home institution. A Guard member must comply with all institutional policies and procedures in accordance with ADA and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. It is the responsibility of the Guard member to provide written documentation concerning services from the institutional Disability Services Provider. The institutional Disability Services Provider must provide written documentation to the Office of Financial Aid prior to each academic year verifying that the student is approved to be enrolled in less than full-time status. The institution is responsible for retaining appropriate documentation according to the "Institutional Policies and Procedures for Awarding" Section.

J. Remedial/developmental or non-degree attempted hours shall be used toward the National Guard member's 130 attempted hours.

62-253. College Assistance Program Terms of Eligibility (Student Eligibility)

A. Members of the National Guard enrolled or planning to enroll in an eligible institution may apply to the National Guard for a college assistance program benefit.

B. College assistance program benefits may be applied by giving priority to service members in areas of critical need. The National Guard will determine areas of critical need.

C. To qualify, an applicant must:

(1) be in good standing with the active National Guard at the beginning of each academic year and remain a member in good standing with the active National Guard throughout the entire academic year for which benefits are payable;

(2) have valid tuition and fee expenses from an eligible institution;

(3) maintain satisfactory academic progress as defined by the institution;

(4) be a U.S. citizen or a legal permanent resident who meets the definition of an eligible non-citizen under State Residency Statutes;

(5) be admitted, enrolled and classified as a degree-seeking full-time or part-time student at an eligible institution in South Carolina; and

(6) satisfy additional eligibility requirements as may be promulgated by the Commission.

D. Individuals joining the National Guard become eligible for college assistance program benefits upon completion of Basic Combat Training (BCT)/Basic Military Training (BMT) and Advanced Individual Training (AIT)/ Initial Active Duty Training (IADT) for sequential regular terms (fall, spring, or trimester) or other terms (summer and other).

E. Enlisted personnel must continue their service in the National Guard during all terms of courses covered by the benefit received. Officers shall continue their service with the National Guard for at least four years after completion of the most recent award or degree completion. Enlisted personnel will not be eligible for benefits after the discharge date.

F. National Guard members receiving a full Reserve Officer's Training Corps (ROTC) scholarship are not eligible for college assistance program benefits.

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62-254. Participant Application Process and Continued Eligibility

A. New applications must be completed and submitted each year prior to the beginning of the fall term of the academic year by the deadline determined by the National Guard.

(1) The application is to be submitted to the National Guard and must include information identifying the student's home institution and intent to enroll at the institution in the upcoming year.

(2) Guard members who intend to enroll only for the spring and/or summer semester must also complete a new application prior to the fall term of each academic year by the established deadline determined by the National Guard.

(3) The National Guard shall determine eligibility for the college assistance program.

(4) Once eligibility has been determined by the National Guard, all documents must be initiated and submitted by the student to the institution.

B. Currently enrolled members must have applied prior to the beginning of the fall term of each academic year by the National Guard established deadline and should contact their college's financial aid office to initiate benefit award for the current academic year. The financial aid office will coordinate with the Commission to verify student eligibility and coordinate payment to the college or university on behalf of the student member.

C. For continued eligibility, students must apply prior to the beginning of the fall term of each academic year by the established deadline as determined by the National Guard, continue to meet all eligibility requirements as stated in the Section 62-253, College Assistance Program Terms of Eligibility (Student Eligibility).

D. Transfer students who are eligible prior to the beginning of the academic year for the college assistance program and who transfer mid-year to another eligible institution may be eligible to receive the assistance for the spring term if they continue to meet eligibility requirements.

62-255. Enrollment in Internships, Cooperative Work Programs, Travel Study Programs and National and International Student Exchange Programs

A. Students enrolled in internships, cooperative work programs, travel study programs, or National or International Student Exchange Programs that are approved by the home institution and that the home institution accepts as full-time transfer credit are eligible to receive the college assistance program benefit during the period in which the student is enrolled in such programs. Students will be required to meet the continued eligibility requirements.

62-256. Military Mobilization

A. Service members who are enrolled in college and during which affected by military mobilizations will not be penalized for the term they are required to withdraw after the full refund period based on institutional policies and procedures. Institutions are strongly encouraged to provide a full refund of required tuition, fees and other institutional charges or to provide a credit in a comparable amount against future charges for students who are forced to withdraw as a result of military mobilization. The service member must re-enroll in an eligible institution within twelve months upon demobilization and provide official documentation to verify military deployment to the institutional Financial Aid Office upon re-enrollment. Reinstatement will be based upon the service member's eligibility at the time he/she was mobilized. If the student re-enrolls after the twelve month period, the service member must submit an exception to policy (Please refer to Section 62-257).

B. Service members who are enrolled in college and are mobilized for an entire academic year may renew the scholarship for the next academic year, if they met the eligibility requirements at the end of the prior academic year. Service members who did not use the college assistance program benefits/terms of eligibility during this period due to military mobilization shall be allowed to receive the college assistance benefits during the succeeding term.

C. The home institution will be responsible for receiving verification of military mobilization status, from the National Guard, attempted semester hours, credit hours earned, and eligibility for benefit renewal for the next academic year in accordance with Section 62-253.

D. Service members of the United States Armed Forces will not be penalized for any credit hours earned while on military mobilization. The credit hours earned will be used toward the maximum credit hour requirement for the college assistance program.

62-257. Exception to Policy

A. Students may submit an exception to policy requesting a review of an adverse determination as to the awarding or continuation of the college assistance program benefit to the Office of the Adjutant General or the appointed Air or Army National Guard CAP Representative.

B. The Adjutant General, or the appointed Air or Army National Guard CAP Representative, shall devise procedures addressing student exception to policy requests to provide students an opportunity to submit documentation for a second review and determination of award.

62-258. Institutional Policies and Procedures for Awarding

A. Each institution is responsible for reviewing all students based on the “Eligibility Requirements/Satisfactory Academic Progress” to determine eligibility for college assistance program benefits.

B. College assistance program awards are to be used only for payment toward the cost-of-attendance as established by Title IV Regulations. The college assistance program in combination with all other gift aid, including Federal, State, private and institutional funds, shall not exceed the cost-of-attendance as defined in Title IV regulations for any academic year.

C. Institutions will notify students of any adjustments in the college assistance program benefit funds that may result from an over award, change in eligibility, or change in financial status or other matters.

D. The institution must retain annual paper or electronic documentation for each award to include at a minimum:

- (1) Award notification
- (2) Institutional disbursement to student
- (3) Refunds and repayments (if appropriate)
- (4) Enrollment and curriculum requirements
- (5) Verification of required number of annual credit hours based on that (s)he is within the eligible 130 attempted hours from the time of initial eligibility of the program.
- (6) Military mobilization orders (if appropriate)

E. The National Guard shall be responsible for providing a list of all eligible Guard members to the Commission on Higher Education, which in turn shall provide this list to all the eligible institutions. Only Guard Members who are on the list shall be awarded the college assistance program benefits.

F. Eligible participant lists will be accessed through the Commission portal (via log-on/password); eligibility will reflect assurance that the student is eligible for the annual maximum in accordance with Section 62-253 unless otherwise noted.

G. The college assistance program awards are to be used to meet unmet need or to replace any loans or work-study up to the student’s cost-of-attendance.

H. The home institution will be responsible for obtaining official certification of the student’s grade point average, attempted semester hours, credit hours earned, and satisfactory academic progress for the purposes of determining student eligibility for the college assistance program benefit and renewal in succeeding academic years.

62-259. Benefits Disbursement and Reimbursements

A. The Commission shall disburse benefits awarded pursuant to this chapter to the eligible institutions to be placed in an account established for each eligible student.

(1) In the event that a student who has received a benefit withdraws, is suspended, ineligible under Section 62-253 C. (1), or otherwise becomes ineligible, the institution must reimburse the college assistance program for the amount of the benefit for the applicable term pursuant to the refund policies of the institution.

(2) The institution is responsible for collecting any amount due to the institution from the student.

(3) In the event a student withdraws or drops below eligibility requirements after the institution’s refund period and therefore must pay tuition and fees for full-time or less-than full time enrollment, the benefits may be retained pursuant to the refund policies of the institution.

B. The institution is responsible for awarding college assistance program funds according to the “Institutional Policies and Procedures for Awarding” section, R.62-258, and procedures that may be prescribed the Commission.

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C. Eligible institutions shall award amounts which, when combined with other financial aid, cannot exceed the student's cost-of-attendance or defined program award maximums.

D. After the last day to register for each term of the eligible academic year, the institution will verify enrollment of each recipient and award amount based upon enrollment status.

E. The institution must submit a request for funds and/or return of funds by the established deadline each term. In addition, a listing of all eligible recipients by identification numbers with award amounts for the term must be sent to the Commission. At this time any funds must be returned to the Commission on Higher Education immediately.

F. The Commission will disburse awards to the eligible institutions to be placed in each eligible student's account.

G. At the time of disbursement, the student must be enrolled at the institution indicated as the home institution (on the National Guard application form) as a degree-seeking student at the home institution.

62-260. Program Administration and Audits

A. The Commission on Higher Education, in conjunction with the National Guard, shall be responsible for the oversight of functions (e.g., guidelines, policies, rules, regulations) relative to this program with participating institutions.

(1) The Commission shall be responsible for the allocation of funds, promulgation of guidelines and regulations governing the college assistance program, and any audits or other oversight as may be deemed necessary to monitor the expenditures of scholarship funds.

(2) The National Guard shall be responsible for Officers continuing their service with the National Guard for at least four years after completion of the most recent benefit awarded or degree completion.

(3) The National Guard shall be responsible for any and all student appeals.

(4) The National Guard shall be responsible for providing a list of all eligible Guard members to the Commission on Higher Education, which in turn shall provide this list to all the eligible institutions. Only Guard Members who are on the list shall be awarded the college assistance program benefits.

B. Institutions must abide by program policies, rules or regulations. Institutions also agree to maintain and provide all pertinent information, records, reports or any information as may be required or requested by the Commission or the General Assembly to ensure proper administration of the program.

C. The Chief Executive Officer at each participating institution shall identify to the Commission a college assistance program institutional representative who is responsible for the operation of the program on the campus and will serve as the contact person. The institutional representative will act as the student's fiscal agent to receive and deliver funds for use under the program.

62-261. Suspension or Termination of Institutional Participation

A. The Commission may review institutional administrative practices to determine institutional compliance with pertinent statutes, guidelines, rules or regulations. If such a review determines that an institution has failed to comply with program statutes, guidelines, rules or regulations, the Commission may suspend, terminate, or place certain conditions upon the institution's continued participation in the program and require reimbursement to the college assistance program for any funds lost or improperly awarded.

B. Upon receipt of evidence that an institution has failed to comply, the Commission shall notify the institution in writing of the nature of such allegations and conduct an audit.

C. If an audit indicates that a violation or violations may have occurred or are occurring at any eligible institution, the Commission shall secure immediate reimbursement from the institution in the event that any funds were expended out of compliance with the provisions of the Act, any relevant statutes, guidelines, rules, and regulations.

62-262. Funding

A. Benefits provided through the college assistance program are subject to the availability of funds appropriated by the General Assembly.

B. Funds appropriated for the college assistance program may be carried forward and expended for the same purpose. If a midyear budget reduction is imposed by the General Assembly or the State Budget and Control Board, the appropriations for the college assistance program are exempt.

C. Up to five percent of the amount appropriated to the college assistance program may be used to defray administrative costs incurred by the Commission associated with the implementation of this chapter.

Fiscal Impact Statement:

There will be no increased administrative costs to the state or its political subdivisions.

Statement of Rationale:

The revisions to the regulation will further clarify administrative procedures.

Document No. 4751
DEPARTMENT OF LABOR, LICENSING AND REGULATION
OFFICE OF OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH
CHAPTER 71
Statutory Authority: 1976 Code Section 41-15-210

Article 1, Subarticle 6 and Subarticle 7
Occupational Safety and Health Standards

South Carolina Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation, Division of Labor, Office of Occupational Safety and Health, hereby promulgate the following changes to South Carolina Regulations:

In Subarticle 6 (General Industry):

Revisions to Sections: 1910.1000 – Air Contaminants and 1910.1024 - Beryllium as amended in Final Register Volume 82, No. 5, dated January 9, 2017, pages 2735 through 2743.

In Subarticle 7 (Construction):

Revisions to Sections: 1926.55 – Gases, vapors, fumes, dusts, and mists and 1926.1153 - Beryllium as amended in Final Register Volume 82, No. 5, dated January 9, 2017, pages 2750 through 2757.

Copies of these final regulation changes can be obtained or reviewed at the South Carolina Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation during normal business hours by contacting the OSHA Standards Office at (803) 896-5811 or by viewing the OSHA website at www.OSHA.gov.

Document No. 4741
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
CHAPTER 123

Statutory Authority: 1976 Code Sections 50-1-200, 50-1-220, 50-3-100, 50-9-650, 50-11-10, 50-11-65, 50-11-96, 50-11-105, 50-11-310, 50-11-315, 50-11-320, 50-11-350, 50-11-365, 50-11-390, 50-11-410, 50-11-430, 50-11-500, 50-11-520, 50-11-525, 50-11-530, 50-11-580, 50-11-854, 50-11-2200 and 50-11-2210

123-40. Wildlife Management Area Regulations

123-51. Turkey Hunting Rules and Seasons

123-52. Either-sex Days and Antlerless Deer Limits for Private Lands in Game Zones 1-4

Synopsis:

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These regulations amend Chapter 123-40 Wildlife Management Area Regulations, 123-51 Turkey Hunting Rules and Seasons, and 123-52 Either-sex Days and Antlerless Deer Limits for Private Lands in Game Zones 1-4 in order to set seasons, bag limits and methods of hunting and taking of wildlife on existing and additional Wildlife Management Areas, provide additional turkey hunting opportunity on new properties in the WMA program, and modify antlerless deer limits to conform to specifications set forth in 2016 Act Number 257.

A Notice of Drafting for this regulation was published on October 28, 2016 in the *South Carolina State Register*, Volume 40, Issue No. 10.

Instructions:

Amend Regulations 123-40, 123-51 and 123-52 as indicated below. Included are specific changes, deletions and additions. Unless specifically listed as a change, all other existing regulations remain intact.

123-40. Wildlife Management Area Regulations.

B. Game Zone 2

4. Fant's Grove WMA

(c)(ii) delete text and insert new text as indicated.

12. Delta South WMA

(a) Delete current text. Insert new text.

(i) Delete current text. Insert new text.

(ii) Delete text.

Add: (b), (b)(i), and (b)(ii), (c), (c)(i), and (c)(ii). Insert text as indicated.

Add: 13. Forty Acre Rock HP WMA. Insert text as indicated.

C. Game Zone 3

9. Webb WMA

Add new (e), (e)(i), (e)(ii), (e)(iii). Insert text as indicated

Change (e) to (f).

Change (f) to (g).

13. Bonneau Ferry WMA

(a) Replace text as indicated.

(b)(i)(1). Add text.

18. Palachucola WMA

Add new (f), (f)(i), (f)(ii), (f)(iii). Insert text as indicated

Change (f) to (g).

22. Hamilton Ridge WMA

Add new (f), (f)(i), (f)(ii), (f)(iii). Insert text as indicated

Change (f) to (g).

26. Wateree River HP WMA

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ARTICLE 3

WILDLIFE AND FRESH WATER FISHERIES DIVISION—HUNTING REGULATIONS

SUBARTICLE 1

HUNTING IN WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREAS

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123-40. Wildlife Management Area Regulations.

1.1 The regulations governing hunting including prescribed schedules and seasons, methods of hunting and taking wildlife, and bag limits for Wildlife Management Areas and special restrictions for use of WMA lands are as follows:

A. Game Zone 1

1. Other WMAs

- (a) Archery Hunts for Deer
 - (i) Oct. 17 – Oct. 30 either-sex
- (b) Primitive Weapons for Deer
 - (i) Oct. 1 through Oct. 10
- (c) Still Gun Hunts for Deer
 - (i) Oct. 11 through Oct. 16; Oct. 31 – Jan. 1
- (d) Still Gun Hunts for Bear
 - (i) Oct. 17 through Oct. 23
 - (ii) 1 bear per person, no bears 100 lbs. or less, no sow with cubs at her side.
 - (iii) All harvested bear must be tagged and reported to the Clemson Wildlife Office @ 864-654-1671 within 24 hours of harvest.
- (e) Special Party Dog Hunt for Bear
 - (i) Oct. 24 through Oct. 30
 - (ii) 1 bear per person, 5 bears per party, no bears 100 lbs. or less, no sow with cubs at her side. Groups hunting together are considered 1 party. Hogs allowed.
 - (iii) Parties (maximum of 25) must register with SCDNR, 311 Natural Resources Drive, Clemson, SC 29631 by September 1.
 - (iv) All harvested bear must be tagged and reported to the Clemson Wildlife Office @ 864-654-1671 within 24 hours of harvest.
- (f) Small Game
 - (i) Game Zone 1 seasons and bag limits apply
- (g) Hog Hunts with Dogs
 - (i) Jan. 2 – Jan. 10, Mar. 20 - Mar. 28

2. Glassy Mountain Archery Only Area – Chestnut Ridge Heritage Preserve

- (a) Archery Hunts for Deer.
 - (i) Oct. 1 – Jan. 1, either-sex
- (b) Small Game
 - (i) Game Zone 1 seasons and bag limits apply

3. Stumphouse WMA

- (a) In order to fish or hunt Stumphouse WMA each adult (21 or older) must have at least one youth 17 or under accompanying them. Senior Citizens over 65 years of age may fish without a youth present. No motorized vehicles or horses allowed on the property except in designated parking areas. Walk in use only.
- (b) Game Zone 1 seasons and bag limits, except small game only between Thanksgiving Day and March 1.

4. Long Creek Tract

- (a) Game Zone 1 seasons and bag limits, except small game only between Thanksgiving Day and Mar. 1

B. Game Zone 2

1. Other WMAs

- (a) Archery Hunts for Deer
 - (i) Sept. 15 – Sept. 30, either-sex
- (b) Primitive Weapons for Deer
 - (i) Oct. 1 through Oct. 10
- (c) Still Gun Hunts for Deer
 - (i) Oct. 11 through Jan. 1
- (d) Small Game

- (i) Game Zone 2 seasons and bag limits apply
- (e) Hog Hunts with Dogs
 - (i) Jan. 2 - 10, Mar. 20 - 28

2. Keowee WMA

- (a) Designated as a Quality Deer Management Area. No hunting is allowed in research and teaching areas of Keowee WMA posted with white signs except those special hunts for youth or mobility-impaired as conducted by the Department.
- (b) North of Hwy 123 and west of the Keowee arm of Lake Hartwell, and west of Hwy 291, small game hunting with shotguns only. All other areas are archery only for small game.
- (c) Archery Hunts for Deer
 - (i) Oct. 15- Dec. 22 either-sex
- (d) Raccoon and Opossum
 - (i) Game Zone 2 seasons and bag limits
- (e) Other Small Game
 - (i) Game Zone 2 seasons and bag limits apply.
 - (ii) No small game hunting during archery deer hunts except for waterfowl, designated dove field hunting, or raccoon and opossum hunting at night.

3. Draper WMA

- (a) Data cards required for hunter access, except draw dove hunts. Completed data cards must be returned daily before leaving the WMA.
- (b) Archery Hunts for Deer
 - (i) Sept. 15 - Sept. 30, either-sex
- (c) Primitive Weapons for Deer
 - (i) Oct. 1 - Oct. 10
- (d) Still Gun Hunts for Deer
 - (i) Oct. 11 - Jan. 1
- (e) Quail Hunts
 - (i) 1st and 2nd Sat. in Dec., 3rd and 4th Wed. in Dec., 1st and 2nd Wed. and Sat. in Jan.
 - (ii) Game Zone 2 bag limit
 - (iii) PM Shooting hours end 30 minutes prior to official sunset.
- (f) Rabbit Hunts
 - (i) Wed. and Sat. in Jan. and Feb. following the last scheduled quail hunt until Mar. 1
 - (ii) Game Zone 2 bag limit
- (g) Other Small Game (no fox squirrels)
 - (i) Zone 2 seasons and bag limits apply

4. Fant's Grove WMA

- (a) Designated as a Quality Deer Management Area
- (b) Archery Deer Hunts
 - (i) Oct. 15- Dec. 22, either-sex
- (c) Special Gun Hunts for Deer
 - (i) Hunters selected by drawing
 - (ii) Total 1 deer, either-sex.
- (d) Raccoon and Opossum
 - (i) Game Zone 2 seasons and bag limits
- (e) Other Small Game
 - (i) Game Zone 2 seasons and bag limits apply
 - (ii) No small game hunting during archery deer hunts except for waterfowl, designated dove field hunting, or raccoon and opossum hunting at night.
 - (iii) Waterfowl may be hunted Wed. and Sat. AM only.

5. Rock Hill Blackjacks HP WMA

- (a) Archery Deer Hunts
 - (i) Sept. 15 – Jan. 1, either-sex
- (b) Small Game

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- (i) No small game hunting

6. Belfast WMA

(a) All terrain vehicles are prohibited. Fishing is not allowed except through permitted special events. All harvested deer and turkeys must be checked in at the Belfast Check Station. Belfast WMA is open to public access during daylight hours (1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset) except during special hunts and events regulated by DNR. Hunters may not enter the WMA prior to 5:00 AM on designated hunts. Public visitation is not allowed during scheduled deer and turkey hunts. Data cards required for hunter access. Completed data cards must be returned daily upon leaving Belfast WMA.

- (b) Designated as a Quality Deer Management Area.

- (c) Archery Hunts for Deer

- (i) Sept. 15 - Sept. 30 either-sex

- (d) Still Gun Hunts for Deer

- (i) Hunters selected by drawing

- (e) Small Game (no fox squirrels)

- (i) Thanksgiving Day – Mar. 1

- (ii) Game Zone 2 bag limits

7. Broad River Waterfowl Management Area

- (a) Archery Deer Hunts

- (i) Sept. 15 – Oct. 31 either-sex

- (b) Small Game

- (i) Feb. 8 – Mar. 1

- (ii) Game Zone 2 bag limits

8. McCalla WMA

- (a) Designated as a Quality Deer Management Area.

- (b) Deer Hunts

- (i) Game Zone 2 seasons

- (c) Small Game

- (i) Game Zone 2 seasons and bag limits apply

- (d) Hog Hunts with Dogs

- (i) Jan. 2 - 10, Mar. 20 - 28

- (e) Special Hunt Area for Youth and Mobility Impaired Hunters

- (i) No open season except for hunters selected by drawing

- (ii) 1 deer per day, either-sex

9. Worth Mountain WMA

- (a) Designated as a Quality Deer Management Area

- (b) Deer Hunts

- (i) Game Zone 2 seasons

- (c) Small Game

- (i) Game Zone 2 seasons and bag limits apply.

10. Liberty Hill WMA

- (a) Designated as a Quality Deer Management Area.

- (b) Archery Hunts for Deer

- (i) Sept. 15 - Sept. 30, either-sex.

- (c) Primitive Weapons for Deer

- (i) Oct. 1 - Oct. 10

- (d) Still Gun Hunts for Deer

- (i) Oct. 11 - Jan. 1

- (e) Small Game (no fox squirrels)

- (i) Zone 2 seasons and bag limits apply.

11. Delta North WMA

- (a) Deer Hunts

- (i) Game Zone 2 seasons

- (b) Small Game (no fox squirrels)

- (i) Game Zone 2 seasons and bag limits apply

12. Delta South WMA

- (a) Archery Hunts for Deer
 - (i) Sept. 15 - Sept. 30 either-sex.
- (b) Still Gun Hunts for Deer
 - (i) Nov. 1-Nov. 21, Wednesdays and Saturdays Only.
 - (ii) Special hunts for youth or mobility impaired hunters as published by SCDNR.
- (c) Small Game (no fox squirrels)
 - (i) Thanksgiving Day – Mar. 1
 - (ii) Game Zone 2 bag limits

13. Forty Acre Rock HP WMA

- (a) Archery Hunts for Deer
 - (i) Sept. 15 - Sept. 30, either-sex
- (b) Primitive Weapons for Deer
 - (i) Oct. 1 - Oct. 10
- (c) Still Gun Hunts for Deer
 - (i) Oct. 11 - Jan. 1
- (d) Small Game (no fox squirrels)
 - (i) Game Zone 2 seasons and bag limits apply

C. Game Zone 3

1. Other WMAs

- (a) Archery Deer Hunts
 - (i) Sept. 15 - Sept. 30, either-sex
- (b) Still Gun Hunts for Deer
 - (i) Oct. 1 - Jan. 1
- (c) Small Game
 - (i) Game Zone 3 seasons and bag limits apply

2. Crackerneck WMA and Ecological Reserve

(a) All individuals must sign in and out at main gate. Designated as a Quality Deer Management Area. Scouting seasons (no weapons), will be Saturdays only during September and March. The gate opens at 6:00am and closes at 8:00pm. On deer hunt days, gates will open as follows: Oct., 4:30am-8:30pm; Nov. - Dec., 4:30am-7:30pm. For special hog hunts in Jan. and Feb., gate will be open from 5:30am-7:00pm. On Saturday night raccoon hunts, raccoon hunters must cease hunting by midnight and exit the gate by 1:00am. On Friday night raccoon hunts, raccoon hunters must cease hunting by 1 hour before official sunrise and exit the gate by official sunrise. All reptiles and amphibians are protected. No turtles, snakes, frogs, toads, salamanders etc. can be captured, removed, killed or harassed.

- (b) Archery Deer Hunts
 - (i) 1st Fri. and Sat. in Oct
 - (ii) 2 deer, either-sex, no more than 1 buck.
- (c) Primitive Weapons Deer Hunts (no buckshot).
 - (i) 2nd Fri. and Sat. in Oct.
 - (ii) 2 deer, either-sex, no more than 1 buck
- (d) Still Gun Hunts for Deer
 - (i) 3rd Fri. in Oct. – Jan. 1, Fri., Sat. and Thanksgiving Day only except closed Dec. 25.
 - (ii) 5 deer total, 2 per day, buck only except on either-sex days Fri. and Sat. only from the 1st Fri. of gun hunts before Thanksgiving and the 1st Fri. and Sat. after Thanksgiving weekend. Total not to include more than 3 bucks.
- (e) Raccoon and Opossum
 - (i) 3rd Sat. night in Oct. – Jan. 1, Sat. nights only, except closed Dec. 25, 1st Fri. night in Jan. to last Fri. or Sat. night in Feb., Fri. and Sat. nights only.
 - (ii) 3 raccoons per party per night
- (f) Hog Hunts with Dogs (handguns only)

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- (i) 1st Fri. after Jan. 1 – last Fri. in Feb. Fridays only
- (ii) No limit.
- (g) Other Small Game (except no open season on bobcats, foxes, otters or fox squirrels).
 - (i) 3rd Fri. in Oct. – last Fri. or Sat. in Feb. Fri., Sat. and Thanksgiving Day only except closed Dec. 25.
 - (ii) Game Zone 3 bag limits

3. Aiken Gopher Tortoise Heritage Preserve WMA

- (a) Archery Deer Hunts
 - (i) Sept. 15 - Sept. 30, either-sex
- (b) Still Gun Hunts for Deer
 - (i) Oct. 1 – Jan. 1.
- (c) Small Game (no fox squirrels).
 - (i) Thanksgiving day – Mar. 1.
 - (ii) Game Zone 3 bag limits.

4. Ditch Pond Heritage Preserve WMA

- (a) Archery Deer Hunts.
 - (i) Sept. 15 – Jan. 1, either-sex.
- (b) Small Game (no fox squirrels).
 - (i) Thanksgiving day – Mar. 1.
 - (ii) Game Zone 3 bag limits.

5. Henderson Heritage Preserve WMA

- (a) Archery Deer Hunts.
 - (i) Sept. 15 – Jan. 1, either-sex

6. Francis Marion National Forest

(a) During deer hunts when dogs are used, buckshot only is permitted. On either-sex hunts with dogs, all deer must be checked in by one hour after legal sunset. Individual antlerless deer tags are not valid during dog hunts for deer. Tibwin Special Use Area (in Wambaw) is closed to hunting except for Special hunts. On youth deer hunts, only youths 17 and younger may carry a gun and must be accompanied by an adult 21 years old or older. No fox or coyote hunting with dogs on the Francis Marion.

- (b) Hog Hunts with Dogs
 - (i) 3rd full week in Mar., 3rd full week in May
- (c) Still Hog Hunts
 - (i) First full week in Mar.

(d) Hellhole WMA

- (i) Archery Deer Hunts
 - (1) Sept. 15 - Oct. 10, either-sex
- (ii) Still Gun Hunts for Deer
 - (1) Oct. 11 – Jan. 1 except during scheduled dog drive hunts
- (iii) Deer Hunts with Dogs (shotguns only)
 - (1) 1st Sat. in Nov., 1st Sat. in Dec.
 - (a) 2 deer per day, buck only
- (iv) Youth Only Deer Hunt with Dogs
 - (1) Sat. following the 2-day Wambaw buck only hunt in Nov.
 - (2) Requirements and bag limits for youth are the same as the statewide youth deer hunt day.
- (v) Small Game (no open season for fox hunting)
 - (1) Game Zone 3 seasons and bag limits apply.
 - (2) Dogs allowed during small game gun season only. Closed during scheduled periods using dogs to hunt deer.

(e) Waterhorn WMA

- (i) Archery Deer Hunts
 - (1) Sept. 15 - Oct. 10, either-sex
- (ii) Muzzleloader Hunts for Deer
 - (1) Oct. 11 - Oct. 20
- (iii) Still Gun Hunts for Deer

- (1) Every Friday and Saturday beginning Nov. 1.
- (iv) Small Game (no open season for fox hunting)
 - (1) Game Zone 3 seasons and bag limits apply.
 - (2) Dogs allowed during small game gun season only. Closed to small game and waterfowl hunting during scheduled deer hunt periods.

(f) Wambaw WMA

- (i) Archery Deer Hunts
 - (1) Sept. 15 - Oct. 10, either-sex
- (ii) Still Gun Hunts for Deer
 - (1) Oct. 11 – Jan. 1 except during scheduled dog drive hunts west of Hwy 17.
 - (2) Still gun hunts only East of Hwy 17. No buckshot.
- (iii) Deer Hunts with Dogs (shotguns only)
 - (1) Fri. in Sept. before the last Sat. Northampton dog hunt, Wed. and Thurs. before the 3rd Sat. in Nov. and 2nd Sat. in Oct., first 2 days excluding Sunday after Dec. 25
 - (a) 2 deer per day, buck only
 - (2) 2nd Sat. in Dec.
 - (a) 1 deer per day, either-sex
 - (b) All deer must be checked in at designated check stations.
- (iv) Youth Only Deer Hunt with Dogs
 - (1) 4th Sat. in Oct.
 - (2) Requirements and bag limits for youth are the same as the statewide youth deer hunt day.
- (v) Seewee Special Use Area
 - (1) Archery Deer Hunts
 - (2) Sept. 15 – Jan. 1, either-sex
- (vi) Small Game (no open season for fox hunting)
 - (1) Game Zone 3 seasons and bag limits apply.
 - (2) Dogs allowed during small game gun season only. Closed during scheduled periods using dogs to hunt deer.

(g) Northampton WMA

- (i) Archery Deer Hunts
 - (1) Sept. 15 - Oct. 10, either-sex
- (ii) Still Gun Hunts for Deer
 - (1) Oct. 11 – Jan. 1 except during scheduled dog drive hunts.
- (iii) Deer Hunts with Dogs (shotguns only)
 - (1) Last Sat. in Sept., Wed. and Thurs. before the 2nd Sat. in Oct., Fri. before the 4th Sat. in Nov., 3rd day excluding Sunday after Dec. 25
 - (a) 2 deer per day, buck only
 - (2) 2nd Sat. in Dec.
 - (a) 1 deer per day, either-sex
 - (b) All deer must be checked in at designated check stations.
- (iv) Youth Only Deer Hunt with Dogs
 - (1) Last Saturday in Nov.
 - (2) Requirements and bag limits for youth are the same as the statewide youth deer hunt day.
- (v) Small Game (no open season for fox hunting)
 - (1) Game Zone 3 seasons and bag limits apply.
 - (2) Dogs allowed during small game gun season only. Closed during scheduled periods using dogs to hunt deer.

(h) Santee WMA

- (i) Archery Deer Hunts
 - (1) Sept. 15 - Oct. 10, either-sex
- (ii) Still Gun Hunts for Deer
 - (1) Oct. 11 – Jan. 1 except during scheduled dog drive hunts
- (iii) Deer Hunts with Dogs (shotguns only)

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- (1) 2nd Fri. and Sat. in Sept., Wed. and Thurs. before the 4th Sat. in Oct., 1st Fri. in Dec.
 - (a) 2 deer per day, buck only
- (2) 2nd Sat. in Dec.
 - (a) 1 deer per day, either-sex
 - (b) All deer must be checked in at designated check stations.
- (iv) Youth Only Deer Hunt with Dogs
 - (1) 3rd Sat. in Oct.
 - (2) Requirements and bag limits for youth are the same as the statewide youth deer hunt day.
- (v) Small Game (no open season for fox hunting)
 - (1) Game Zone 3 seasons and bag limits apply.
 - (2) Dogs allowed during small game gun season only. Closed during scheduled periods using dogs to hunt deer.

7. Moultrie

- (a) No hunting or shooting within fifty feet of the center of any road during gun hunts for deer except for SCDNR draw youth hunts.

(b) Bluefield WMA

- (i) Open only to youth 17 years of age or younger who must be accompanied by an adult at least 21 years of age. Youth hunters must carry a firearm and hunt. Adults with youth are allowed to carry a weapon and hunt.
- (ii) Still Gun Hunts for Deer
 - (1) Sept. 15 – Jan. 1, Wed. and Sat. only
- (iii) Small Game (no fox squirrels)
 - (1) Game Zone 3 seasons and bag limits apply.
 - (2) No small game hunting during scheduled deer hunts.

(c) Greenfield WMA

- (i) Still Gun Hunts for Deer
 - (1) Sept. 15 – Jan. 1
- (ii) Small Game (no fox squirrels)
 - (1) Thanksgiving Day - Mar. 1
 - (2) Game Zone 3 bag limits

(d) North Dike WMA

- (i) Still Gun Hunts for Deer
 - (1) Sept. 15 - Oct. 15.
- (ii) Special Gun Hunts for youth and women
 - (1) Hunters selected by drawing.
 - (2) 1 deer per day, either-sex
- (iii) Small Game (no fox squirrels)
 - (1) Jan. 2 - Mar. 1
 - (2) Game Zone 3 bag limits.
 - (3) Sandy Beach Waterfowl Area open for raccoon hunting Feb. 1 – Mar. 1

(e) Porcher and Hall WMAs

- (i) Archery Deer Hunts
 - (1) Sept. 15 – Jan. 1, either-sex
- (ii) Small Game (no fox squirrels) shotguns only
 - (1) Jan. 2 – Mar. 1
 - (2) Game Zone 3 bag limits

(f) Cross Station Site

- (i) Special Gun Hunts for youth and women
 - (1) No open season except hunters selected by drawing
 - (2) 1 deer per day, either-sex

8. Santee Cooper WMA

- (a) Data cards required for hunter access. Completed data cards must be returned daily upon leaving. Hunters limited to two deer/tree stands which must contain a label with the hunter's name and address. No stands may be placed on Santee Cooper WMA prior to Sept. 1. Campground is open during scheduled deer hunts only.

- (b) Designated as a Quality Deer Management Area
- (c) Archery Deer Hunts
 - (i) Sept. 15 - Oct. 31, either-sex
- (d) Primitive Weapons Deer Hunts
 - (i) Nov. 1 - Monday before Thanksgiving Day
- (e) Small Game
 - (i) Thanksgiving Day – Mar. 1
 - (ii) Game Zone 3 bag limits

9. Webb WMA

- (a) Data cards are required for hunter access. Completed data cards must be returned daily upon leaving. Designated as a Quality Deer Management Area.
- (b) Still Gun Hunts for Deer
 - (i) Hunters selected by drawing
 - (ii) 2 deer, either-sex but only 1 buck
- (c) Hog Hunts with Dogs
 - (i) 1st Thurs. – Sat. in Mar., 2nd Thurs. – Sat. in May, and last Thurs. - Sat. in August
- (d) Quail Hunts
 - (i) 2nd and 4th Wed. in Jan., 2nd and 4th Sat. in Jan., 1st and 3rd Sat. in Feb., 1st and 3rd Wed. in Feb.
 - (ii) Game Zone 3 bag limit
 - (iii) Shooting hours end 30 minutes prior to official sunset
- (e) Raccoon and Opposum
 - (i) Tues. nights and Sat. nights between Oct. 11 – Sat. before Thanksgiving; The full week of Thanksgiving; Tues. nights and Sat. nights from the Tues. after Thanksgiving until Dec. 15.; Dec. 15- Mar. 1
 - (ii) On Saturdays prior to Dec. 15, no entry onto WMA until 1 hour after official sunset.
 - (iii) Game Zone 3 bag limits
- (f) Other Small Game (no fox squirrels)
 - (i) The full week of Thanksgiving, Dec. 15 - Mar. 1
 - (ii) Game Zone 3 bag limits
- (g) Dove Hunting
 - (i) Designated public dove field only on specified days.

10. Bear Island WMA

- (a) All hunters must sign in and out at the Bear Island Office. Hunting in designated areas only. Designated as a Quality Deer Management Area.
- (b) Archery Deer Hunts
 - (i) Oct. 1 - Oct. 10, either-sex
- (c) Still Gun Hunts for Deer
 - (i) Hunters selected by drawing
 - (ii) 3 deer, either-sex but only 1 buck
- (d) Hog Hunts with Dogs
 - (i) 1st Thurs. – Sat. in March
- (e) Alligator Hunts (Bear Island East and West Units only)
 - (i) Hunters selected by drawing only. Limited season with restricted access.
 - (ii) Limit and size restrictions as prescribed.
- (f) Small Game
 - (i) Feb. 8 - Mar. 1
 - (ii) Game Zone 3 bag limits

11. Donnelley WMA

- (a) All hunters must sign in and out at the check station. Hunting in designated areas only. Designated as a Quality Deer Management Area.
- (b) Archery Deer Hunts
 - (i) Sept. 15 - Sept. 30, either-sex
- (c) Still Gun Hunts for Deer
 - (i) Hunters selected by drawing

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- (ii) 3 deer, either-sex but only 1 buck
- (d) Hog Hunts with Dogs
 - (i) 1st Thurs. – Sat. in March
- (e) Small Game (no fox squirrels)
 - (i) Thanksgiving Day - Mar. 1
 - (ii) Game Zone 3 bag limits

12. Hatchery WMA

- (a) Archery Deer Hunts
 - (i) Sept. 15 - Jan. 1, either-sex

13. Bonneau Ferry WMA

(a) All terrain vehicles prohibited. Hunting access by boat is prohibited. For hunting, the Adult/youth side is open only to youth 17 years old or younger who must be accompanied by only one adult 21 years of age or older. Youth hunters must carry a firearm and hunt. Adults with youth hunters may also carry a firearm and hunt. For deer and small game, regulations for the adult/youth and general use sides of the property will alternate each year as prescribed by the Department. All hunters must sign in and sign out upon entering or leaving. All deer must be checked out at the main entrance. Closed to public access one hour after sunset until one hour before sunrise except for special hunts regulated by DNR. Hunters may not enter WMA prior to 5:00 AM on designated hunts. All impoundments and adjacent posted buffers are closed to all public access Nov. 1 – Feb. 8 except for special draw deer hunts and waterfowl hunts regulated by DNR during the regular waterfowl season. Hunted areas are closed to general public access during scheduled deer, turkey and waterfowl hunts. No fox hunting.

(b) Adult/Youth Side

(i) Still Gun Hunts for Deer

(1) Sept. 15 – Jan. 1, Wed., Fri. and Sat., entire week of Thanksgiving and 5 days before Christmas until Jan. 1, either-sex.

(c) General Use Side

(i) Archery Deer Hunts

(1) Sept. 15 - Sept. 30, either-sex

(ii) Still Gun Hunts for Deer

(1) Hunters selected by drawing

(2) Total 3 deer, either-sex except only 1 buck.

(3) Hunters are required to have permit in possession and must sign in and out (Name, permit # and deer killed each day).

(d) Small Game (no fox squirrels or fox)

(i) Jan. 2 – Mar. 1

(ii) Game Zone 3 bag limits

(iii) Dogs allowed during gun seasons only

(e) Bonneau Ferry Fishing Regulations

(i) Open to fishing on Thurs. through Sun. from Mar. 2 – Oct. 31 during daylight hours only

(ii) Adult/youth fishing only. Each youth (17 years and under) must be accompanied by no more than two adults 18 years of age or older.

(iii) The youth must actively fish.

(iv) Fishing is not allowed during scheduled deer and turkey hunts.

(v) Only electric motors may be used.

(vi) Creel limits per person per day are: largemouth bass – 2, panfish (bluegill, redear, crappie, pumpkinseed, redbreast) – 10, catfish – 5, species not listed – no limit. Grass carp must be released alive immediately.

14. Santee Coastal Reserve WMA

(a) Archery Deer Hunts

(i) Sept. 15 - Jan. 1, either-sex

(ii) Hunting on mainland only

(b) Hog Hunts with Dogs

(i) 2nd full week in March

(c) Alligator Hunts

- (i) Hunters selected by drawing only. Limited season with restricted access.
- (ii) Limit and size restrictions as prescribed
- (d) Small Game (no fox squirrels)
 - (i) Thanksgiving Day – Mar. 1
 - (ii) Game Zone 3 bag limits

15. Dungannon Heritage Preserve WMA

- (a) Archery Deer Hunts
 - (i) Sept. 15 - Jan. 1, either-sex
- (b) Small Game (no fox squirrels)
 - (i) Thanksgiving Day - Jan. 31
 - (ii) Game Zone 3 bag limits

16. Edisto River WMA

- (a) Archery Deer Hunts
 - (i) Sept. 15 – Oct. 10, either-sex
- (b) Still Gun Hunts for Deer
 - (i) Oct. 11 – Jan. 1
- (c) Raccoon and Opossum
 - (i) Game Zone 3 seasons and bag limits
- (d) Other Small Game
 - (i) Thanksgiving Day - Mar. 1
 - (ii) Game Zone 3 bag limits

17. Canal WMA

- (a) Quail Hunts
 - (i) Game Zone 3 season and bag limit

18. Palachucola WMA

- (a) Data cards are required for hunter access. Completed data cards must be returned daily upon leaving WMA. Designated as a Quality Deer Management Area.
- (b) Archery Deer Hunts
 - (i) Sept. 15 - Oct. 10, either-sex
- (c) Still Gun Hunts for Deer
 - (i) Hunters selected by drawing
 - (ii) 3 deer, either-sex but only 1 buck
- (d) Hog Hunts with Dogs
 - (i) 1st Thurs. – Sat. in Mar., 2nd Thurs. – Sat. in May, and last Thurs. - Sat. in August
- (e) Quail Hunts
 - (i) 2nd and 4th Wed. in Jan., 2nd and 4th Sat. in Jan., 1st and 3rd Sat. in Feb., 1st and 3rd Wed. in Feb.
 - (ii) Game Zone 3 bag limit
 - (iii) Shooting hours end 30 minutes prior to official sunset.
- (f) Raccoon and Opossum
 - (i) Tues. nights and Sat. nights between Oct. 11 – Sat. before Thanksgiving; The full week of Thanksgiving; Tues. nights and Sat. nights from the Tues. after Thanksgiving until Dec. 15.; Dec. 15- Mar. 1
 - (ii) On Saturdays prior to Dec. 15, no entry onto WMA until 1 hour after official sunset.
 - (iii) Game Zone 3 bag limits
- (g) Other Small Game (no fox squirrels)
 - (i) The full week of Thanksgiving, Dec. 15 - Mar. 1
 - (ii) Game Zone 3 bag limits

19. St. Helena Sound Heritage Preserve WMA

- (a) Deer hunting by permit only obtained at McKenzie Field Station. Camping by special permit only and on Otter Island only. No small game hunting.
- (b) Ashe, Beet, Warren, Otter, Big and South Williman Archery Deer Hunts
 - (i) Sept. 15 – Jan. 1, either-sex

20. Tillman Sand Ridge Heritage Preserve WMA

- (a) Archery Deer Hunts

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- (i) Sept. 15 - Jan. 1, either-sex
- (b) Small Game (no fox squirrels)
 - (i) Thanksgiving Day - Mar. 1
 - (ii) Game Zone 3 bag limits

21. Victoria Bluff Heritage Preserve WMA

- (a) Archery Deer Hunts
 - (i) Sept. 15 - Jan. 1, either-sex
- (b) Small Game (no fox squirrels)
 - (i) Jan. 2 - Mar. 1
 - (ii) Game Zone 3 bag limits
 - (iii) Shotguns only

22. Hamilton Ridge WMA

(a) Designated as a Quality Deer Management Area. Horseback riding by permit only. No ATVs allowed. Data cards are required for hunter access. Completed data cards must be returned daily upon leaving the WMA.

- (b) Archery Deer Hunts
 - (i) Sept. 15 - Oct. 10, either-sex
- (c) Still Gun Hunts for Deer
 - (i) Hunters selected by drawing
 - (ii) 3 deer, either-sex but only 1 buck
- (d) Hog Hunts with Dogs
 - (i) 1st Thurs. – Sat. in Mar., 2nd Thurs. – Sat. in May, and last Thurs. - Sat. in August.
- (e) Quail Hunts
 - (i) 2nd and 4th Wed. in Jan., 2nd and 4th Sat. in Jan., 1st and 3rd Sat. in Feb., 1st and 3rd Wed. in Feb.
 - (ii) Game Zone 3 bag limit
 - (iii) Shooting hours end 30 minutes prior to official sunset.
- (f) Raccoon and Oposum
 - (i) Tues. nights and Sat. nights between Oct. 11 – Sat. before Thanksgiving; The full week of Thanksgiving; Tues. nights and Sat. nights from the Tues. after Thanksgiving until Dec. 15.; Dec. 15- Mar. 1
 - (ii) On Saturdays prior to Dec. 15, no entry onto WMA until 1 hour after official sunset.
 - (iii) Game Zone 3 bag limits
- (g) Other Small Game (no fox squirrels)
 - (i) The full week of Thanksgiving, Dec. 15 - Mar. 1.
 - (ii) Game Zone 3 bag limits
 - (iii) Dove hunting on designated public dove field only

23. Old Island Heritage Preserve WMA

- (a) Archery Deer Hunts
 - (i) Sept. 15 – Jan. 1, either-sex

24. Botany Bay Plantation Heritage Preserve WMA

(a) Designated as a Quality Deer Management Area. All hunters, fishermen and visitors must obtain and complete a day use pass upon entering the area and follow all instructions on the pass. Botany Bay Plantation WMA is open to public access during daylight hours (1/2 hour before sunrise to 1/2 hour after sunset) except during special hunts and events regulated by DNR. Area is closed to general public access during special scheduled hunts. Hunting in designated areas only. Hunting access by boat is prohibited. Fishing in the Jason's Lake complex and all other ponds is adult/youth catch and release only on designated days. For adult/youth fishing, youth must be accompanied by no more than two adults 18 years old or older. Adult may also fish.

- (b) Archery Deer Hunts
 - (i) Sept. 15 - Oct. 10, Mon. – Sat. during the week of Thanksgiving, Mon. – Sat. during the week of Christmas, either-sex.
- (c) Still Gun Hunts for Deer
 - (i) Hunters selected by drawing
 - (ii) Total 3 deer, either-sex but only 1 buck

(iii) Hunters are required to have permit in possession and must sign in and sign out (Name, permit # and deer killed each day) at the designated check station. All harvested deer must be checked in at the designated check station.

- (d) Small Game (no fox squirrels or foxes)
 - (i) Jan. 2 – Mar. 1 (Wed. through Sat. only)
 - (ii) Game Zone 3 bag limits
 - (iii) Dogs allowed during gun seasons only

25. Congaree Bluffs Heritage Preserve WMA

- (a) Still Gun Hunts for Deer
 - (i) Hunters selected by drawing.
 - (ii) Total 1 deer per day, either-sex

26. Wateree River Heritage Preserve WMA

- (a) Data cards are required for hunter access. Completed data cards must be returned daily upon leaving WMA. Designated as a Quality Deer Management Area.
- (b) Archery Deer Hunts
 - (i) Sept. 15 - Oct. 10, either-sex
- (c) Still Gun Hunts for Deer
 - (i) Hunters selected by drawing
 - (ii) 3 deer, either-sex but only 1 buck
- (f) Small Game (no fox squirrels)
 - (i) Jan. 2 - Mar. 1
 - (ii) Game Zone 3 bag limits.

D. Game Zone 4

1. Other WMAs

- (a) Archery Deer Hunts.
 - (i) Sept. 15 - Oct. 10, either-sex
- (b) Still Gun Hunts for Deer
 - (i) Oct. 11 – Jan. 1
- (c) Small Game
 - (i) Game Zone 4 seasons and bag limits apply

2. Marsh WMA

- (a) All visitors to Marsh WMA are required to sign in upon entry to the WMA and sign out upon exit from the WMA and provide any additional information requested. No ATVs allowed.
- (b) Special Hunt Area for Youth and Mobility Impaired Hunters
 - (i) No open season except for hunters selected by drawing
 - (ii) 1 deer per day, either-sex
- (c) Archery Deer Hunts
 - (i) Sept. 15 - Oct. 31, either-sex
- (d) Still Gun Hunts for Deer
 - (i) Nov. 1 - Nov. 30
- (e) Still Hog Hunts
 - (i) First full week in Mar.
- (f) Hog Hunts with Dogs
 - (i) 3rd full week in Mar. and 3rd full week in May
- (g) Raccoon and Opossum Hunts
 - (i) Game Zone 4 seasons and bag limits
- (h) Small Game (no fox squirrels)
 - (i) Thanksgiving – Mar. 1
 - (ii) Game Zone 4 bag limits

3. Sand Hills State Forest WMA

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(a) Hunting by the general public closed during scheduled field trials on the Sand Hills State Forest Special Field Trial Area. Hunting allowed during permitted field trials on the Sand Hills State Forest Special Field Trial Area in compliance with R.123-96. No man-drives allowed.

(b) Archery Deer Hunts

(i) Sept. 15 – Oct. 10, either-sex

(c) Still Gun Hunts for Deer

(i) Oct. 11 – Jan. 1

(d) Small Game

(i) Game Zones 4 seasons and bag limits apply. No daytime fox hunting from Sept. 15 – Jan. 1

4. McBee WMA

(a) Archery Deer Hunts

(i) Sept. 15 – Oct. 10, either-sex

(b) Still Gun Hunts for Deer.

(i) Oct. 11 - Saturday before Thanksgiving

(c) Quail

(i) no open season except hunter selected by drawing. Game Zone 4 bag limit.

(d) Other Small Game (no fox squirrels)

(i) Jan. 15 - Mar. 1

(ii) Game Zone 4 bag limits

5. Pee Dee Station Site WMA

(a) All visitors are required to sign in upon entry to the WMA and sign out upon exit and provide any additional information requested on sign in sheets at the kiosk. No ATVs allowed.

(b) Archery Deer Hunts

(i) Sept. 15 - Oct. 31, either-sex

(c) Primitive Weapons Deer Hunts

(i) Nov. 1 - Nov. 30

(d) Small Game (no fox squirrels)

(i) Thanksgiving Day - Mar. 1

(ii) Game Zone 4 bag limits

6. Woodbury WMA

(a) All visitors are required to sign in upon entry and sign out upon exit and provide any additional information requested on sign in sheets at the kiosk. No ATVs allowed.

(b) Designated as a Quality Deer Management Area

(c) Archery Deer Hunts

(i) Sept. 15 – Oct. 10, either-sex

(d) Primitive Weapons Deer Hunts

(i) Oct. 11 - Oct. 20

(e) Still Gun Hunts for Deer

(i) Oct. 21 - Jan. 1

(f) Still Hog Hunts

(i) First full week in Mar.

(g) Hog Hunts with Dogs

(i) 3rd full week in Mar. and 3rd full week in May

(h) Raccoon and opossum

(i) Game Zone 4 seasons and bag limits

(i) Other Small Game (no fox squirrels)

(i) Thanksgiving Day - Mar. 1

(ii) Game Zone 4 bag limits

7. Little Pee Dee Complex WMA

(a) Includes Little Pee Dee River HP, Tilghman HP, Dargan HP and Ward HP in Horry and Marion Counties. This also includes the Upper Gunters Island and Huggins tracts in Horry Co. which are part of Dargan HP.

(b) Archery Deer Hunts

- (i) Sept. 15 – Oct. 10, either-sex
- (c) Primitive Weapons Deer Hunts
 - (i) Oct. 11 – Oct. 20.
- (d) Still Gun Hunts for Deer
 - (i) Nov. 6 - Jan. 1.
- (e) Still Hog Hunts
 - (i) First full week in Mar.
- (f) Hog Hunts with Dogs
 - (i) 2nd full week in Mar.
- (g) Raccoon and Opossum
 - (i) Game Zone 4 seasons and bag limits
- (h) Other Small Game (no fox squirrels)
 - (i) Thanksgiving Day – Mar. 1
 - (ii) Game Zone 4 bag limits

8. Great Pee Dee Heritage Preserve WMA

(a) All visitors are required to sign in upon entry and sign out upon exit and provide any additional information requested on sign in sheets at the kiosk. No ATVs allowed.

(b) For big game hunting, access is restricted from two hours before sunrise to two hours after official sunset.

- (c) Archery Deer Hunts
 - (i) Sept. 15 - Oct. 31, either sex
- (d) Still Gun Hunts for Deer
 - (i) Nov. 1 - Nov. 30
- (e) Still Hog Hunts
 - (i) First full week in March
- (f) Hog Hunts with Dogs
 - (i) 3rd full week in Mar. and 3rd full week in May
- (g) Raccoon and Opossum
 - (i) Game Zone 4 seasons and bag limits
- (h) Other Small Game (no fox squirrels)
 - (i) Thanksgiving Day to Mar. 1
 - (ii) Game Zone 4 bag limits.

9. Longleaf Pine Heritage Preserve WMA

- (a) Archery Deer Hunts
 - (i) Sept. 15 - Oct. 10, either-sex
- (b) Still Gun Hunts for Deer
 - (i) Oct. 11 - Jan. 1
- (c) Small Game (no fox squirrels)
 - (i) Thanksgiving Day – Mar. 1
 - (ii) Game Zone 4 bag limits.

10. Manchester State Forest WMA

(a) Deer must be checked at designated check stations. Individual antlerless deer tags are not valid during dog hunts for deer.

- (b) Archery Deer Hunts
 - (i) 3rd Mon. in Sept. – the following Sat., either-sex
- (c) Primitive Weapons Deer Hunts
 - (i) 4th Mon. in Sept. – following Sat.
- (d) Deer Hunts with Dogs
 - (i) Clubs selected by drawing.
 - (ii) 10 antlered deer per day per club, 5 antlerless deer per day per club, 1 deer per person.
- (e) Still Gun Hunts for Deer
 - (i) 5th Mon. in Sept. – following Sat., 1st Mon. in Oct. – following Sat., 2nd Mon. in Oct. – following Sat., 3rd Tues. in Oct. – following Fri., 4th Tues in Oct. – following Fri., 5th Tues. in Oct. – following Thurs., 1st Tues.

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in Nov. – following Fri., 2nd Tues in Nov. – following Sat., 3rd Tues. in Nov. – following Fri., Mon. – Sat. the week of Thanksgiving, 4th Mon. in Nov. – following Fri., 1st Tues. in Dec. – following Fri., 1st full week following the 1st Tues. in Dec. – following Fri., 2nd full week following the 1st Tues. in Dec. – following Fri., 3rd full week following 1st Tues. in Dec. – following Sat.

(ii) In years when there is a fifth Tues. in Oct., additional deer hunts may be scheduled on Fri. and Sat. during Oct. and Nov.

(iii) In years when there is a fifth Mon. in Dec., additional hunts may be scheduled that week.

(f) Small Game

(i) Thanksgiving Day – Mar. 1.

(ii) Game Zone 4 bag limits.

(g) Hog Hunts with Dogs

(i) 2nd full week in Mar.

11. Lynchburg Savanna Heritage Preserve WMA

(a) Small Game Only (no fox squirrels)

(i) Game Zone 4 seasons and bag limits

12. Hickory Top WMA

(a) Data cards required for hunter access. Completed data cards must be returned daily upon leaving. The Greentree Reservoir is open to hunting during the regular Hickory Top seasons during years when the Greentree Reservoir remains unflooded.

(b) Archery Deer Hunts

(i) Sept. 15 - Oct. 31, either-sex

(c) Primitive Weapons Deer Hunts

(i) Nov. 1 – Jan. 1

(d) Hog Hunts with Dogs

(i) 2nd full week in Mar.

(e) Small Game (no fox squirrels)

(i) Game Zone 4 seasons and bag limits apply.

13. Oak Lea WMA

(a) Data cards required for hunter access during archery deer hunts, turkey hunts and small game hunts. Completed data cards must be returned daily upon leaving the WMA.

(b) Archery Deer Hunts

(i) Sept. 15 - 30, either-sex

(c) Still Gun Hunts for Deer

(i) Hunters selected by drawing

(ii) Total 20 deer per hunt party, either-sex

(d) Small Game (except quail)

(i) Jan. 2 – Mar. 1 except no small game hunting during scheduled quail hunts

(ii) Game Zone 4 bag limits

(e) Quail

(i) Designated dates within Game Zone 5 season

(ii) Game Zone 4 bag limit

14. Santee Dam WMA

(a) Archery Deer Hunts

(i) Sept. 15 - Oct. 31, either-sex

(b) Primitive Weapons Deer Hunts

(i) Nov. 1 – Jan. 1

(c) Hog Hunts with Dogs

(i) 2nd full week in March

(d) Small Game (no fox squirrels)

(i) Jan. 2 – Mar. 1

(ii) Game Zone 4 bag limits

15. Wee Tee WMA

(a) Archery Deer Hunts

- (i) Sept. 15 – Oct. 10, either-sex
 - (b) Still Gun Hunts for Deer
 - (i) Oct. 11 – Jan. 1
 - (c) Still Hog Hunts
 - (i) First full week in March
 - (d) Hog Hunts with Dogs
 - (i) 2nd full week in March
 - (e) Raccoon and Opossum
 - (i) Game Zone 4 seasons and bag limits
 - (f) Other Small Game (no fox squirrels, no fox hunting)
 - (i) Thanksgiving Day - Mar. 1
 - (ii) Game Zone 4 bag limits
 - (iii) Dogs allowed during small game gun season only
- 16. Santee Delta WMA**
- (a) Archery Deer Hunts (impoundments only)
 - (i) Sept. 15 - Oct. 10, either-sex
 - (b) Hog Hunts with Dogs
 - (i) 2nd full week in Mar. (impoundments only)
- 17. Samworth WMA**
- (a) Archery Deer Hunts (impoundments only)
 - (i) Sept. 15 - Oct. 10, either-sex
 - (b) Hog Hunts with Dogs
 - (i) 2nd full week of Mar. (impoundments only)
- 18. Cartwheel Bay Heritage Preserve WMA**
- (a) Archery Deer Hunts
 - (i) Sept. 15 – Oct 23, Nov. 6 - Jan. 1, either-sex
 - (b) Small Game (no fox squirrels)
 - (i) Thanksgiving Day - Mar. 1
 - (ii) Game Zone 4 bag limits
- 19. Lewis Ocean Bay Heritage Preserve WMA**
- (a) All deer hunters must sign in and sign out daily and record harvest at the kiosk.
 - (b) Archery Deer Hunts
 - (i) Sept. 15 - Oct. 10, either-sex
 - (c) Primitive Weapons Deer Hunts
 - (i) Oct. 11 - Oct. 20
 - (d) Still Gun Hunts for Deer
 - (i) Nov. 6 - Jan. 1.
 - (e) Small Game (no fox squirrels).
 - (i) Thanksgiving Day – Mar. 1
 - (ii) Game Zone 4 bag limits
- 20. Waccamaw River Heritage Preserve WMA**
- (a) Archery Deer Hunts
 - (i) Sept. 15 - Oct. 10, either-sex
 - (b) Primitive Weapons Deer Hunts
 - (i) Oct. 11 - Oct. 20
 - (c) Still Gun Hunts for Deer
 - (i) Nov. 6 - Jan. 1
 - (d) Still Hog Hunts
 - (i) First full week in March
 - (e) Hog Hunts with Dogs
 - (i) 2nd full week in Mar.
 - (f) Small Game (no fox squirrels)
 - (i) Thanksgiving Day – Mar. 1

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(ii) Game Zone 4 bag limits

21. Liberty Hill WMA

(a) Designated as a Quality Deer Management Area

(b) Archery Hunts for Deer

(i) Sept. 15 - Sept. 30, either-sex

(c) Primitive Weapons for Deer

(i) Oct. 1 - Oct. 10

(d) Still Gun Hunts for Deer

(i) Oct. 11 - Jan. 1

(e) Small Game (No fox squirrels)

(i) Zone 4 seasons and bag limits apply.

GENERAL REGULATIONS

2.1 Except as provided in these regulations, no person may hunt or take wildlife on areas designated by the South Carolina Department of Natural Resources (SCDNR) as Wildlife Management Area (WMA) lands.

2.2 Entry onto WMA land is done wholly and completely at the risk of the individual. Neither the landowners nor the State of South Carolina nor the South Carolina Department of Natural Resources accepts any responsibility for acts, omissions, or activities or conditions on these lands which cause personal injury or property damage.

2.3 Entry onto WMA land constitutes consent to an inspection and search of the person, game bag or creel.

2.4 No person may hunt or take wildlife on WMA land unless an individual is in possession of a valid South Carolina license, a valid WMA permit, and other applicable federal or state permits, stamps or licenses.

2.5 No Sunday hunting is permitted on any WMA lands.

2.6 On all WMA lands, baiting or hunting over a baited area is prohibited. As used in this section, "bait" or "baiting" means the placing, depositing, exposing, distributing, or scattering of shelled, shucked, or unshucked corn, wheat, or other grain or other food stuffs to constitute an attraction, lure, or enticement to, on, or over any area. "Baited area" means an area where bait is directly or indirectly placed, deposited, exposed, distributed, or scattered and the area remains a baited area for ten (10) days following the complete removal of all bait. Salt/minerals are not considered bait.

2.7 On WMA lands, construction or use of tree stands is prohibited if the tree stand is constructed by driving nails or other devices into trees or if wire is wrapped around trees. Other tree stands are permitted provided they are not permanently affixed or embedded in the tree. All stands and temporary climbing devices must be removed by the end of the deer hunting season.

2.8 On WMA lands, any hunter younger than sixteen (16) years of age must be accompanied by an adult (21 years or older). Sight and voice contact must be maintained.

2.9 Notwithstanding any other provision of these regulations, the Department may permit special hunts on any day during the regular hunting season.

2.10 No person may release or attempt to release any animal onto WMA lands without approval from the Department.

2.11 While participating in a hunt on WMAs, no person may possess, consume or be under the influence of intoxicants, including beer, wine, liquor or drugs.

2.12 On WMA lands, during the designated statewide youth deer hunt day, only still hunting is allowed. The limit is two deer total to include no more than one antlerless deer.

2.13 Taking or destroying timber, other forest products or cutting firewood on WMA lands without written permission from the landowner or his agent is prohibited. Users of WMA lands are prohibited from planting, attempting to plant, burning or otherwise attempting to manipulate crops, natural vegetation or openings without written permission from the landowner or his agent.

2.14 On WMA lands, hunting armadillos and coyotes at night is prohibited. Armadillos and coyotes may be hunted during any open season for game during daylight hours with no bag limit. Weapon(s) used to hunt armadillos and coyotes are limited to the weapon(s) that are allowed for the current open season on WMA.

2.15 On WMA lands during special designated hunts, a WMA may be closed to other public access.

2.16 Still hunting for hogs is permitted on WMAs during any open season for game during daylight hours with only the weapons allowed during the hunting season in progress unless otherwise prohibited. No hog may be transported alive from a WMA. Hogs may not be hunted at night. There is no bag limit on hogs. Hunters must wear a hat, coat, or vest of solid international orange while hog hunting. Buckshot is prohibited. During hog hunts with dogs, no still or stalk hunting is allowed and only handguns are permitted. No hog hunting with dogs is allowed except during special designated seasons.

2.17 Unless otherwise specified, small game hunting seasons and bag limits are the same as Game Zone seasons and bag limits except no hunting before Sept. 1 or after Mar. 1.

WEAPONS

3.1 On WMA lands hunters may use any shotgun, rifle, bow and arrow, crossbow or hand gun except that specific weapons may be prohibited on certain hunts. Blow guns, dart guns, drugged arrows or arrows with exploding tips are not permitted. Small game hunters may possess or use shotguns with shot no larger than No. 2 or .22 rimfire or smaller rifles/handguns or primitive muzzle-loading rifles of .40 caliber or smaller. Small game hunters may not possess or use buckshot, slugs or shot larger than No. 2. Small game hunters using archery equipment must use small game tips on the arrows (judo points, bludgeon points, etc.).

3.2 For Special Primitive Weapons Seasons, primitive weapons include bow and arrow, crossbow and muzzle-loading shotguns (20 gauge or larger) and rifles (.36 caliber or larger) with open or peep sights or scopes, which use black powder or a black powder substitute that does not contain nitro-cellulose or nitro-glycerin components as the propellant charge. There are no restrictions on ignition systems (e.g. flintstone, percussion cap, shotgun primer, disk, electronic, etc.). During primitive weapons season, no revolving rifles are permitted.

3.3 On WMA lands big game hunters are not allowed to use armor-piercing, tracer, incendiary, or full metal jacket bullets or .22 or smaller rimfire. Buckshot is prohibited during still gun hunts for deer on WMA lands in Game Zones 3 & 4.

3.4 On WMAs all firearms transported in vehicles must be unloaded and secured in a weapons case, or in the trunk of a vehicle or in a locked toolbox. On the Francis Marion Hunt Unit during deer hunts with dogs, loaded shotguns may be transported in vehicles. Any shotgun, centerfire rifle, rimfire rifle or pistol with a shell in the chamber or magazine, or a muzzleloader with a cap on the nipple or a flintlock with powder in the flash pan is considered loaded.

3.5 No target practice is permitted on WMA lands except in specifically designated areas.

3.6 On WMA lands during still gun hunts for deer or hogs there shall be no hunting or shooting from, on or across any road open to vehicle traffic. During any deer or hog hunt there shall be no open season for hunting on any designated recreational trail on U.S Forest Service or S.C. Public Service Authority property.

DEER

4.1 On WMA lands with designated check stations, all deer bagged must be checked at a check station. Deer bagged too late for reporting one day must be reported the following day.

4.2 Unless otherwise specified by the Department, only antlered bucks (male deer) may be taken on all WMA lands. Male deer with visible antlers of less than two (2) inches above the hairline are considered antlerless deer and must be tagged with an antlerless deer tag issued by the Department. A point is any projection at least one inch long and longer than wide at some location at least one inch from the tip of the projection.

4.3 On WMA lands, man drives for deer are permitted between 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. only, except that no man drives may be conducted on days designated by the Department for taking deer of either sex except on WMA lands in Game Zones 1 and 2, man drives will be permitted on the last two (2) scheduled either-sex days. A man drive is defined as an organized hunting technique involving two (2) or more individuals whereby an attempt is made to drive game animals from cover or habitat for the purpose of shooting, killing, or moving such animals toward other hunters. On WMA lands, drivers participating in man drives are prohibited from carrying or using weapons.

4.4 Deer either-sex days for still gun hunts on WMAs are as follows:

- (a) Game Zone 1: The last three Sat. in Nov.

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(b) Game Zones 2 – 4: The first three Saturdays in Oct., the last three Saturdays in November, the 2nd Saturday in December, and Jan. 1.

(c) In all Game Zones, hunters using archery equipment may take either-sex of deer during any archery only or primitive weapon seasons for deer beginning September 15. Archery hunters may choose to use any of the date-specific tags issued to them to tag an antlerless deer taken during any archery-only or primitive weapons season provided that the archery notation and actual date of kill is validated on the tag as prescribed by SCDNR. Archery hunters may also use Individual Antlerless Deer Tags issued to them to tag an antlerless deer taken during any archery-only or primitive weapons season provided that the tag is validated as prescribed by SCDNR. Game Zone WMA limits apply.

(d) On special mobility impaired and youth deer hunts sanctioned by the Department and during the statewide youth deer hunt day, participants may take two deer total.

4.5 For all WMAs combined statewide, the limit for all seasons and methods combined is two deer per day, 5 deer total, no more than two bucks, unless otherwise specified. For WMAs in Game Zone 1, the limit for antlerless deer for all seasons and methods combined is 4. Antlerless deer limit is two deer per day, unless otherwise specified. Buck only, except either-sex on Game Zone either-sex days.

4.6 Individual antlerless deer tags are valid in Game Zone 1 beginning Oct. 1 and in Game Zones 2, 3 & 4 beginning Sept. 15. For all WMAs combined, a maximum of 2 individual antlerless deer tags may be used during primitive weapons or still gun deer seasons in all Game Zones except only one individual antlerless deer tag may be used in Game Zone 1. Tags do not alter the daily (2 per day) or seasonal limit or change the type of weapons that can be used during special weapons seasons.

4.7 Deer must be tagged immediately after harvest and before being moved from the point of kill and the tag must be validated as prescribed by the SCDNR.

4.8 For WMAs designated as Quality Deer Management Areas, all antlered bucks must have a minimum 4 points on one side or a minimum 12-inch inside antler spread except during designated special youth hunts. Inside antler spread is measured at a right angle to centerline of the skull at its widest point between the main beams.

4.9 On WMA lands, deer, hogs, or bear may not be hunted with a firearm within 300 yards of a residence.

DOGS

5.1 On all WMA lands, dogs may be used for small game hunting unless otherwise specified.

5.2 Dogs may be trained for quail, rabbit and squirrel hunting from Sept. 1 - 14 (no guns).

5.3 On WMA lands, dogs may be used for hunting foxes, raccoons, bobcats or opossums only between thirty (30) minutes after official sunset and 30 minutes before official sunrise.

5.4 Unless otherwise specified, deer hunting with dogs on WMA lands is prohibited. The Department may permit deer hunting with dogs on WMA lands not located in Game Zones 1 and 2. For the purposes of tracking a wounded deer, a hunter may use one dog which is kept on a leash.

5.5 Dogs may be used to hunt bear on WMA lands in Game Zone 1 during the special party dog bear season.

5.6 On WMA lands, dogs may be used to hunt hogs only during special designated hog hunts with dogs.

VEHICLES

6.1 On all WMA lands, no hunter may shoot from a vehicle unless permitted by the Department.

6.2 On WMA lands, motor driven land conveyances must be operated only on designated roads or trails. Unless otherwise specified, roads or trails which are closed by barricades and/or signs, either permanently or temporarily, are off limits to motor-driven land conveyances.

6.3 A person may not obstruct or cause to be obstructed travel routes on WMA lands.

VISIBLE COLOR CLOTHING

7.1 On all WMA lands during any gun and muzzleloader hunting seasons for deer, bear and hogs, all hunters including small game hunters must wear either a hat, coat, or vest of solid visible international orange. Archery

hunters during archery only deer seasons and hunters for dove, turkey, ducks, geese and other hunted migratory birds including crows are exempt from this requirement while hunting for those species.

CAMPING

8.1 Camping is not permitted on WMA lands except in designated camp sites.

TRAPPING

9.1 Trapping on WMA lands is not permitted.

WATERFOWL & DOVE REGULATIONS

10.1 Unless specially designated by the Department as a Wildlife Management Area for Waterfowl or a Wildlife Management Area for Dove, all Wildlife Management Areas are open during the regular season for hunting and taking of migratory birds except where restricted.

10.2 The Department may designate sections of Wildlife Management Areas and other lands and waters under the control of the Department as Designated Waterfowl Management Areas or Designated Dove Management Areas. All laws and regulations governing Wildlife Management Areas apply to these special areas. In addition, the Department may set special shooting hours, bag limits, and methods of hunting and taking waterfowl and doves on those areas. All State and Federal migratory bird laws and regulations apply. Regulations pertaining to the use of Dove Management Areas will be filed annually.

10.3 On areas where blinds are not provided, only portable blinds which are removed at the conclusion of the hunt or temporary blinds of native vegetation may be used. Temporary blinds once vacated may be used by other hunters.

10.4 On Designated Waterfowl Areas, no species other than waterfowl may be taken during waterfowl hunts. On Designated Dove Management Areas no species other than doves may be taken during dove hunts. Only dove hunting is allowed at Lake Wallace.

10.5 No fishing is permitted in any Category I Designated Waterfowl Area during scheduled waterfowl hunts.

10.6 The Bordeaux Work Center Area is closed to hunting except for special hunts as designated by the SCDNR.

10.7 Impoundments on Bear Island, Bonneau Ferry, Broad River, Donnelley, Samworth, Sandy Beach, Santee Coastal Reserve and Santee Delta WMAs are closed to all public access during the period Nov. 1 - Feb. 8 except during special hunts designated by the Department. All public access during the period Feb. 9 - Oct. 31 is limited to designated areas. On Bear Island WMA, Mathews' Canal is closed to all hunting from Nov. 1 - Feb. 15 beyond a point 0.8 mile from the confluence of Mathews' Canal with the South Edisto River.

10.8 Potato Creek Hatchery Waterfowl Area is closed to hunting access and fishing during the period one week prior to and two weeks after the Federal waterfowl season except for scheduled waterfowl hunts. All hunters must enter and leave the Potato Creek Hatchery Waterfowl Area through the designated public landing on secondary road 260 and complete a data card and deposit card in receptacle prior to leaving the area. No airboats are allowed for hunting or fishing and no hunting from secondary road 260.

10.9 On Hatchery WMA, hunters must leave the area by 1 PM, except on the last Saturday of the waterfowl season when hunters may hunt until sunset. Each hunter is limited to twenty-five Federally-approved nontoxic shot shells per hunt. No airboats are allowed in the Hatchery WMA for hunting or fishing during the period Nov. 15 - Jan. 31. No fishing allowed during scheduled waterfowl hunts.

10.10 On Crackerneck WMA, waterfowl may be hunted only on Fri., Sat. and Thanksgiving Day within the regular migratory bird seasons and no hunting on Dec. 25; Fant's Grove WMA is open AM only on Wednesdays and Saturdays during the regular migratory bird seasons; Palachucola WMA, Tillman Sand Ridge WMA, Hamilton Ridge WMA and Webb WMA are open AM only for waterfowl hunting during the regular migratory bird seasons only on days when small game hunting is allowed.

10.11 Category I Designated Waterfowl Areas include Beaverdam, Bonneau Ferry, Broad River, Clemson, Sandy Beach, Samworth, Santee Coastal Reserve, Santee-Delta, Tibwin, Bear Island, Wateree River Heritage

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Preserve and Donnelley Wildlife Management Areas. Hunting in Category I Designated Waterfowl Areas is by special permit obtained through annual computer drawing.

10.12 Category II Designated Waterfowl Areas include Biedler Impoundment, Carr Creek (bounded by Samworth WMA), Little Carr Creek (bounded by Samworth WMA), Lake Cunningham, Russell Creek, Monticello Reservoir, Parr Reservoir, Duncan Creek, Dunaway, Dungannon, Enoree River, Moultrie, Hatchery, Hickory Top, Hickory Top Greentree Reservoir, Lancaster Reservoir, Turtle Island, Little Pee Dee River Complex (including Ervin Dargan, Horace Tilghman), Great Pee Dee River, Potato Creek Hatchery, Sampson Island Unit (Bear Island), Tyger River, Marsh, Wee Tee, Woodbury, Ditch Pond, Waccamaw River Heritage Preserve, Santee Cooper and 40 Acre Rock Waterfowl Management Areas. Hunting on Category II Designated Waterfowl Areas is in accordance with scheduled dates and times.

1. Biedler Impoundment
 - (a) Sat. AM only during regular season
 - (b) State bag limits
2. Bear Island
 - (a) Hunters selected by drawing during regular season
 - (b) State bag limits
3. Beaverdam
 - (a) Hunters selected by drawing during regular season
 - (b) State bag limits
4. Bonneau Ferry
 - (a) Hunters selected by drawing during regular season
 - (b) State bag limits
5. Broad River
 - (a) Hunters selected by drawing during regular season
 - (b) State bag limits
- 6 Carr Creek (bounded by Samworth WMA, no hunting in impoundments)
 - (a) Wed. and Sat. AM only during regular season
 - (b) State bag limits
7. Little Carr Creek (bounded by Samworth WMA, no hunting in impoundments)
 - (a) Wed. and Sat. AM only during regular season
 - (b) State bag limits
8. Clemson
 - (a) Hunters selected by drawing during regular season
 - (b) State bag limits
9. Ditch Pond
 - (a) Wed. AM only during regular season
 - (b) State bag limits
10. Donnelley
 - (a) Hunters selected by drawing during regular season
 - (b) State bag limits
11. Dunaway
 - (a) Sat. AM only during regular season
 - (b) State bag limits
12. Duncan Creek
 - (a) Sat. AM only during regular season
 - (b) State bag limits
13. Dungannon
 - (a) Wed. AM only during regular season
 - (b) State bag limits
 - (c) No hunting from the Boardwalk
14. Enoree River
 - (a) Sat. AM only during regular season
 - (b) State bag limits

15. Hatchery
 - (a) Sat. AM only and until sunset on the last Sat. of the regular waterfowl season
 - (b) State bag limits
16. Hickory Top
 - (a) Mon. through Sat. during regular season
 - (b) State bag limits
17. Hickory Top Greentree Reservoir
 - (a) Sat. AM only during regular season
 - (b) State bag limits
 - (c) No hunting from roads and dikes
18. Lake Cunningham
 - (a) Wed. AM only during the regular season
 - (b) State bag limits
19. Lancaster Reservoir
 - (a) Mon. and Fri. AM only during the regular season
 - (b) State bag limits
20. Marsh
 - (a) Fri. and Sat. AM only during regular season
 - (b) State bag limits
21. Monticello Reservoir
 - (a) Mon. through Sat. AM only during regular season
 - (b) State bag limits
22. Moultrie
 - (a) Mon. through Sat. during regular season.
 - (b) State bag limits
23. Parr Reservoir
 - (a) Mon. through Sat. during regular season.
 - (b) State bag limits
24. Potato Creek Hatchery
 - (a) Fri. and Sat. only during regular season
 - (b) State bag limits
25. Russell Creek
 - (a) Wed. and Sat. AM only during regular season
 - (b) State bag limits
26. Sampson Island Unit (Bear Island)
 - (a) Thurs. and Sat. AM only during the regular season
 - (b) State bag limits
27. Samworth
 - (a) Hunters selected by drawing during regular season
 - (b) State bag limits
28. Sandy Beach
 - (a) Hunters selected by drawing during regular season
 - (b) State bag limits
29. Santee Coastal Reserve
 - (a) Hunters selected by drawing during regular season
 - (b) State bag limits
30. Santee Cooper
 - (a) Sat. AM only during regular season
 - (b) State bag limits
31. Santee-Delta
 - (a) Hunters selected by drawing during regular season
 - (b) State bag limits
32. Tibwin

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- (a) Special hunts by drawing during regular season
- (b) State bag limits
- 33. Turtle Island
 - (a) Fri. and Sat. AM only during regular season
 - (b) State bag limits
- 34. Tyger River
 - (a) Sat. AM only during regular season
 - (b) State bag limits
- 35. Wee Tee
 - (a) Fri. and Sat. AM only during regular season
 - (b) State bag limits
- 36. Woodbury
 - (a) Fri. and Sat. AM only during regular season
 - (b) State bag limits
- 37. Great Pee Dee
 - (a) Sat. AM only during regular season
 - (b) State bag limits
- 38. Little Pee Dee River Complex
 - (a) Fri. and Sat. AM only during regular season
 - (b) State bag limits
- 39. Waccamaw River HP
 - (a) Fri. and Sat. AM only during regular season
 - (b) State bag limits
- 40. 40-acre Rock
 - (a) Sat. AM only during regular season
 - (b) State bag limits
- 41. Wateree River HP
 - (a) Hunters selected by drawing during regular season
 - (b) State bag limits

10.13 On Hickory Top WMA public waterfowl hunting without a Wildlife Management Area (WMA) permit is allowed on all land and water below 76.8'. Waterfowl hunting at or above elevation 76.8' requires a WMA permit. A WMA permit is required for waterfowl hunting in the Hickory Top Greentree Reservoir.

10.14 Designated Dove Management Areas include all dove management areas as published by the Department in the annual listing of WMA public dove fields and are subject to regulations filed annually.

10.15 Hickory Top Greentree Reservoir is closed to hunting access November 1 until March 1, except for special hunts designated by SCDNR. All hunters must accurately complete a data card and deposit card in receptacle prior to leaving the area. Hunting hours are from 30 minutes before legal sunrise until 11:00 am. Hunters may not enter the area prior to 5:00 am on hunt days. No open season on roads and dikes. Hunters may only use electric motors on boats.

10.16 On all State-owned, US Forest Service and other Federally-owned Category I and II Waterfowl Management Areas each hunter is limited to 25 Federally-approved non-toxic shells per hunt.

10.17 On Enoree River, Dunaway, Duncan Creek, Russell Creek and Tyger River Waterfowl Areas data cards are required for hunter access during scheduled waterfowl hunts. Completed data cards must be returned daily upon leaving each of these areas.

10.18 Woodbury Waterfowl Management Area includes all SCDNR-owned property south of US Hwy 378 and bounded on the west by the Great Pee Dee River and Bluff Road and to the east by the Little Pee Dee River except no waterfowl hunting allowed in the area known as Hass Pond that is bounded on all sides by Hass Pond Road.

AMPHIBIANS AND REPTILES

11.1 Taking of any amphibian or reptile, except the bullfrog, is prohibited on any Department-owned Wildlife Management Areas without written permission of the Department.

SUBARTICLE 2

CROW HUNTING SEASON

123-50. Crow Hunting Season.

The following rules and regulations shall hereby be provided for the hunting of crows in this State.

1. Crows shall not be hunted from aircraft.
2. The hunting season in this State shall extend from Nov. 1 until Mar. 1 of each year.
3. The penalty for the violation of these rules and regulations is that prescribed by 50-11-10 of the 1976 Code.
4. Crow hunting on WMAs is allowed during the small game season for each WMA. No hunting before Nov. 1 or after Mar. 1.

SUBARTICLE 3

OTHER BIG GAME

123-51. Turkey Hunting Rules and Seasons.

1. Total limit of 3 turkeys statewide per person, 2 per day, gobblers only, unless otherwise specified. Total statewide limit includes turkeys harvested on Wildlife Management Areas (WMAs). Small unnamed WMAs in counties indicated are open for turkey hunting. Turkey seasons and bag limits for Wildlife Management Area lands are as follows:

A. Game Zone 1

1. Other WMAs
 - (a) Apr. 1 – May 5
 - (b) Bag limit 3

B. Game Zone 2

1. Other WMAs
 - (a) Apr. 1 – May 5
 - (b) Bag limit 3
2. Keowee WMA
 - (a) Apr. 1 – May 5
 - (b) Bag limit 2
 - (c) Shotguns only –north of Hwy 123 and west of the Keowee Arm of Lake Hartwell and west of Hwy 291. Archery only on other sections.
3. Draper WMA
 - (a) Apr. 1 – May 5
 - (b) Bag limit 2
 - (c) Thurs through Sat. only
4. Belfast WMA
 - (a) Apr. 1 – May 5
 - (b) Bag limit 1
 - (c) Hunters by drawing only
5. Worth Mountain WMA
 - (a) Apr. 1 – May 5

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- (b) Bag limit 2
- (c) Thurs through Sat. only
- 6. McCalla WMA
 - (a) April 1 – May 5
 - (b) Bag Limit 2
- 7. Fants Grove WMA
 - (a) April 1 - May 5
 - (b) Bag Limit 2
- 8. Liberty Hill WMA
 - (a) April 1 - May 5
 - (b) Bag Limit 2
- 9. Delta South WMA
 - (a) Apr. 1 – May 5
 - (b) Hunters by drawing only
- 10. Forty Acre Rock HP WMA
 - (a) April 1 - May 5
 - (b) Bag Limit 2

C. Game Zone 3

- 1. Other WMAs
 - (a) Apr. 1 – May 5
 - (b) Bag limit 3
- 2. Crackerneck WMA
 - (a) Apr. 1 – May 5
 - (b) Bag limit 3
 - (c) Fri. and Sat. only
 - (d) Sign in and out at the gate required.
 - (e) Main gate opens at 4:30 am and closes at 1:00 pm.
- 3. Aiken Gopher Tortoise HP WMA
 - (a) Apr. 1 – May 5
 - (b) Bag limit 2
- 4. Francis Marion National Forest
 - (a) Apr. 1 – May 5
 - (b) Bag limit 2
 - (c) Tibwin Special Use Area
 - (1) Apr. 1 – May 5
 - (2) Bag limit 2
 - (3) Special hunts for youth or mobility impaired hunters as published by SCDNR.
- 5. Moultrie
 - (a) Apr. 1 – May 5
 - (b) Bag limit 2
 - (c) Thurs through Sat. only
 - (d) Bluefield WMA
 - (1) Apr. 1 – May 5
 - (2) Bag limit 2
 - (3) Adult/Youth only
 - (e) Hall WMA
 - (1) Apr. 1 – May 5
 - (2) Bag limit 2
- 6. Santee Cooper WMA
 - (a) Apr. 1 – May 5
 - (b) Bag limit 1
 - (c) Hunting by public draw only

7. Webb, Palachucola and Hamilton Ridge WMAs
 - (a) Apr. 1 – May 5
 - (b) Bag limit 2
 - (c) All hunters must pick up and return data cards at kiosk and display hangtags on vehicles.
8. Donnelley WMA
 - (a) Apr. 1 – May 5
 - (b) Bag limit 1
 - (c) Hunting by public draw only
9. Bonneau Ferry WMA
 - (a) Apr. 1 – May 5
 - (b) Bag limit 1
 - (c) Hunting by public draw only
 - (d) Closed to public access during hunts.
10. Santee Coastal Reserve WMA
 - (a) Apr. 1 – May 5
 - (b) Bag limit 1
 - (c) Youth or mobility impaired hunting by draw only.
11. Edisto River WMA
 - (a) Apr. 1 – May 5
 - (b) Bag limit 2
 - (c) Thurs through Sat. only
12. Tillman Sand Ridge Heritage Preserve WMA
 - (a) Apr. 1 – May 5
 - (b) Bag limit 2
 - (c) Thurs through Sat. only
13. Victoria Bluff Heritage Preserve WMA
 - (a) Apr. 1 – May 5
 - (b) Bag limit 2
 - (c) Thurs through Sat. only
14. Botany Bay Plantation WMA
 - (a) Apr. 1 – May 5
 - (b) Bag limit 1
 - (c) Youth hunting by draw only.
15. Wateree River HP WMA
 - (a) Apr. 1 – May 5
 - (b) Bag limit 1
 - (c) Hunting by public draw only

D. Game Zone 4

1. Other WMAs
 - (a) Apr. 1 – May 5
 - (b) Bag limit 3
2. Marsh WMA
 - (a) Apr. 1 – May 5
 - (b) Bag limit 2
 - (c) Thurs through Sat. only
 - (d) Sign in and out at the kiosk required.
3. Sand Hills State Forest WMA
 - (a) Apr. 1 – May 5
 - (b) Bag limit 2
4. McBee WMA
 - (a) Apr. 1 – May 5
 - (b) Bag limit 2

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- (c) Thurs through Sat. only
- 5. Little Pee Dee Complex WMA
 - (a) Apr. 1 – May 5
 - (b) Bag limit 2
 - (c) Thurs through Sat. only
- 6. Pee Dee Station Site WMA
 - (a) Apr. 1 – May 5
 - (b) Bag limit 2
 - (c) Thurs through Sat. only
 - (d) All hunters must sign in and sign out at kiosk.
- 7. Woodbury WMA
 - (a) Apr. 1 – May 5
 - (b) Bag limit 2
 - (c) Thurs through Sat. only
 - (d) All hunters must sign in and sign out at kiosk.
- 8. Great Pee Dee Heritage Preserve WMA
 - (a) Apr. 1 – May 5
 - (b) Bag limit 2
 - (c) Thurs through Sat. only
 - (d) All hunters must sign in and sign out at kiosk.
- 9. Longleaf Pine Heritage Preserve WMA
 - (a) Apr. 1 – May 5
 - (b) Bag limit 2
 - (c) Thurs through Sat. only
- 10. Manchester State Forest WMA
 - (a) Apr. 1 – May 5
 - (b) Bag limit 2
 - (c) Thurs through Sat. only
- 11. Hickory Top WMA
 - (a) Apr. 1 – May 5
 - (b) Bag limit 2
- 12. Oak Lea WMA
 - (a) Apr. 1 – May 5
 - (b) Bag limit 2
 - (c) Thurs through Sat.
- 13. Santee Dam WMA
 - (a) Apr. 1 – May 5
 - (b) Bag limit 2
- 14. Wee Tee WMA
 - (a) Apr. 1 – May 5
 - (b) Bag limit 2
 - (c) Thurs through Sat. only
- 15. Cartwheel Bay Heritage Preserve WMA
 - (a) Apr. 1 – May 5
 - (b) Bag limit 2
 - (c) Thurs through Sat. only
- 16. Lewis Ocean Bay Heritage Preserve WMA
 - (a) Apr. 1 – May 5
 - (b) Bag limit 2
 - (c) Thurs through Sat. only
- 17. Waccamaw River Heritage Preserve WMA
 - (a) Apr. 1 – May 5
 - (b) Bag limit 2

- (c) Thurs through Sat. only
- 18. Samworth WMA
 - (a) Apr. 1 – May 5
 - (b) Bag limit 1
 - (c) Youth hunting by draw only.
- 19. Liberty Hill WMA
 - (a) April 1 - May 5
 - (b) Bag Limit 2

E. Statewide Youth Hunting Day on WMAs

1. Sat. before April 1
 - (a) Bag limit 2
 - (b) Youth Only
 - (c) Only includes WMAs designated by the Department.
2. The following regulations apply statewide. No turkey hunting permitted on Turkey Restoration Sites which have not been formally opened by the Department.
 - (a) During the spring turkey hunting season, only turkey gobblers (male birds) may be taken.
 - (b) Shotguns, muzzleloader shotguns, or archery equipment are permitted. All other weapons and methods of taking are prohibited including rifles, pistols, buckshot and slugs.
 - (c) Turkeys may not be hunted with dogs.
 - (d) Live decoys are prohibited.
 - (e) A tag issued by the Department must be placed around a harvested bird's leg before the bird is moved from the point of kill and the tag must be validated by the hunter as prescribed by the Department.

123-52 Either-sex Days and Antlerless Deer Limits for Private Lands in Game Zones 1-4.

1. Game Zone 1: The last three Saturdays in November.
2. Game Zones 2 - 4: The first three Saturdays in October; the last three Saturdays in November; the second Saturday in December; January 1.
3. On special mobility impaired and youth deer hunts sanctioned by the Department and during the statewide youth deer hunt day, participants may take antlerless deer, 2 per day.
4. Hunters using archery equipment may take antlerless deer during all archery-only and primitive weapons seasons for deer beginning September 15. Archery hunters may choose to use any of the date-specific tags issued to them to tag an antlerless deer taken during any archery-only or primitive weapons season provided that the archery notation and actual date of kill is validated on the tag as prescribed by the Department. Archery hunters may also use Individual Antlerless Deer Tags issued to them to tag an antlerless deer taken during any archery-only or primitive weapons season provided that the tag is validated as prescribed by the Department.
5. Individual Antlerless Deer Tags: Only 1 Individual Antlerless Deer Tag may be used in Game Zone 1. Individual Antlerless Deer Tags are valid in Game Zones 2 - 4 beginning September 15 and in Game Zone 1 beginning October 1. Individual Antlerless Deer Tags are not valid on properties enrolled in the Deer Quota Program. Individual Antlerless Deer Tags do not alter the daily (2 per day) or seasonal limit or change the type of weapons that can be used during special weapons seasons.
6. Antlerless Deer Limits: Game Zone 1 - Four (4) total for all seasons and weapons combined, no more than 2 per day. Game Zone 2 - Five (5) total for all seasons and weapons combined, no more than 2 per day. Game Zones 3 - 4, No more than 2 per day. Game Zone season and daily limits do not apply on properties enrolled in the Deer Quota Program.
7. All antlerless deer must be tagged immediately after harvest and before being moved from the point of kill and the tag must be validated as prescribed by the Department.

Fiscal Impact Statement:

The amendment of Regulations 123-40, 123-51, and 123-52 will result in increased public hunting opportunities which should generate additional State revenue through license sales. In addition, local economies should benefit

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from sales of hunting supplies, food and overnight accommodations. Sales taxes on these items will also directly benefit government.

Statement of Rationale:

Rationale for the formulation of these regulations is based on over 70 years of experience by SCDNR in managing wildlife populations and establishing public hunting areas. New areas are evaluated based on location, size, current wildlife presence, access and recreation use potential. Regulations are formulated to provide maximum recreational opportunity while safeguarding wildlife populations for future generations.

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DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
CHAPTER 123
Statutory Authority: 1976 Code Section 50-13-2011

123-209. Term and Conditions for the Public's Use of State Lakes and Ponds Owned by the Department of Natural Resources.

123-210. Term and Conditions for the Public's Use of State Lakes and Ponds Leased by the Department of Natural Resources.

Synopsis:

The Department of Natural Resources (the department) proposes to establish revised Regulation 123-209 setting the terms and conditions for the public use of lakes and ponds owned the department for the purpose of providing public fishing and Regulation 123-210 setting terms and conditions for the public's use of lakes and ponds leased by the department for the purpose of providing public fishing. The following is a section-by-section summary of the proposed changes and revisions:

123-209. Term and Conditions for the Public's Use of State Lakes and Ponds Owned by the Department of Natural Resources.

A. No Change.

- a. Draper WMA State Lakes in York County – no change.
- b. Lake Cherokee in Cherokee County – no change
- c. Lake Edgar Brown in Barnwell County – no change.
- d. Lake George Warren in Hampton County – no change.
- e. Lake John D. Long in Union County – no change.
- f. Mountain Lakes in Chester County – no change.
- g. Lake Paul Wallace in Marlboro County – allow for permitting of a swimming area and permitting the use of fireworks..
- h. Lake Thicketty in Cherokee County – no change.
- i. Webb Center Lakes in Hampton County – no change.

123-210. Term and Conditions for the Public's Use of State Lakes and Ponds Leased by the Department of Natural Resources.

A. No change

- a. Lake Ashwood in Lee County – provide for closure of lake for flood related repairs.
- b. Dargan's Pond in Darlington County – provide for closure of lake for flood related repairs.
- c. Lake Edwin Johnson in Spartanburg County – no change.
- d. Jonesville Reservoir in Union County – no change.
- e. Lancaster Reservoir in Lancaster County - no change.
- f. Lake Oliphant in Chester County – no change.

- g. Star Fort Pond in Greenwood County – no change.
- h. Sunrise Lake in Lancaster County – extend closure period for 12 months

The Notice of Drafting regarding these regulations was published on October 28, 2016 in the *South Carolina State Register*, Volume 40, Issue No. 10.

Instructions:

Replace Regulations 123-209 and 123-210 as shown below.

Text:

123-209. Term and Conditions for the Public’s Use of State Lakes and Ponds Owned by the Department of Natural Resources.

A. Pursuant to the conditions provided in 1976 Code Section 50-11-2200 prohibiting certain acts and conduct on state lakes owned or leased by the department, regulations defining the terms and conditions for public use of state lakes owned by the Department are as follows:

- a. Draper WMA State Lakes in York County
 - i. The lakes are open for fishing from one-half hour before official sunrise to one-half hour after official sunset, every day except Tuesday. The ponds are closed to fishing on Tuesdays.
 - ii. Fishing is allowed with only rod and reels or poles. The statewide limit on the number of these devices applies.
 - iii. No minnows allowed for bait.
 - iv. Combined daily fish limits from all ponds are 3 largemouth bass, 15 bream, and 3 catfish. Statewide limits apply for all other fish species, except no size limit for crappie.
 - v. Trails are for walking or fishing access only; no ATVs, motorized vehicles, or horses allowed on these trails.
 - vi. Pets must be on leashes or under the control of their owner at all times.
 - vii. No boats are allowed in ponds.
 - viii. The possession or consumption of alcoholic beverages is prohibited on department lake properties, except as by special permit from the department.

- b. Lake Cherokee in Cherokee County
 - i. The lake is open to fishing 24 hours a day. The lake is open for other allowed purposes from one-half hour before official sunrise until one-half hour after official sunset.
 - ii. Fishing is allowed with only rod and reels or poles. The statewide limit on the number of these devices applies.
 - iii. Daily fish limits are 3 largemouth bass, 20 bream, and 3 catfish. Statewide limits apply for all other fish species, except no size limit on crappie.
 - iv. Vehicles are restricted to roads and designated access areas only.
 - v. Trails are for walking or fishing access only; no ATVs, motorized vehicles, or horses allowed on these trails.
 - vi. Pets must be on leashes or under the control of their owner at all times.
 - vii. Boats are allowed, but may only be propelled by paddle or electric trolling motors.
 - viii. The possession or consumption of alcoholic beverages is prohibited on department lake properties, except as by special permit from the department.

- c. Lake Edgar Brown in Barnwell County
 - i. The lake is open to fishing 24 hours a day. The lake is open for other allowed purposes from one-half hour before official sunrise until one-half hour after official sunset.

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ii. Fishing is allowed with only rod and reels or poles. The statewide limit on the number of these devices applies.

iii. Daily fish limits are 3 largemouth bass 16 inches or longer, 20 bream, and 3 catfish. Statewide limits apply for all other fish species, except no size limit on crappie.

iv. Vehicles are restricted to roads and designated access areas only. No motorized vehicles of any type allowed on dikes.

v. Trails are for walking or fishing access only; no ATVs, motorized vehicles, or horses allowed on these trails.

vi. Pets must be on leashes or under the control of their owner at all times.

vii. Motor powered boats are allowed. Only outboard motors rated at 10 horsepower or less are allowed north of Wellington Road.

viii. The possession or consumption of alcoholic beverages is prohibited on department lake properties, except as by special permit from the department.

d. Lake George Warren in Hampton County

i. The lake is open to fishing 24 hours a day. The lake is open for other allowed purposes from one-half hour before official sunrise until one-half hour after official sunset.

ii. Fishing is allowed with only rod and reels or poles. The statewide limit on the number of these devices applies.

iii. Daily fish limits are 3 largemouth bass, 20 bream, and 3 catfish. Statewide limits apply for all other fish species, except no size limit on crappie.

iv. Vehicles are restricted to roads and designated access areas only.

v. Trails are for walking or fishing access only; no ATVs, motorized vehicles, or horses allowed on these trails.

vi. Pets must be on leashes or under the control of their owner at all times.

vii. Boats are allowed, but may only be propelled by paddle, electric trolling motors or outboard motors rated at 10 horsepower or less.

viii. The possession or consumption of alcoholic beverages is prohibited on department lake properties, except as by special permit from the department.

e. Lake John D. Long in Union County

i. The lake is open from one-half hour before official sunrise until one-half hour after official sunset.

ii. Fishing is allowed with only rod and reels or poles. The statewide limit on the number of these devices applies.

iii. Daily fish limits are 3 largemouth bass, 10 bream, and 3 catfish. Statewide limits apply for all other fish species, except no size limit on crappie.

iv. Vehicles are restricted to roads and designated access areas only.

v. Trails are for walking or fishing access only; no ATVs, motorized vehicles, or horses allowed on these trails.

vi. Pets must be on leashes or under the control of their owner at all times.

vii. No minnows allowed for bait.

viii. Boats are allowed, but may only be propelled by paddle or electric trolling motors.

ix. The possession or consumption of alcoholic beverages is prohibited on department lake properties, except as by special permit from the department.

f. Mountain Lakes in Chester County

i. The lakes are open on Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday, and Sunday from one-half hour before official sunrise to one-half hour after official sunset.

ii. Fishing is allowed with only rod and reels or poles. The statewide limit on the number of these devices applies.

iii. Daily fish limits are 1 largemouth bass, 10 bream, and 3 catfish. Statewide limits apply for all other fish species, except no size limit for crappie.

iv. Vehicles are restricted to roads and designated access areas only.

v. Trails are for walking or fishing access only; no ATVs, motorized vehicles, or horses allowed on these trails.

vi. Pets must be on leashes or under the control of their owner at all times.

vii. No minnows allowed for bait.

viii. Boats are allowed, but may only be propelled by paddle or electric trolling motors.

ix. The possession or consumption of alcoholic beverages is prohibited on department lake properties, except as by special permit from the department.

g. Lake Paul Wallace in Marlboro County

i. The lake is open to fishing 24 hours a day. The lake is open for other allowed purposes from one-half hour before official sunrise until one-half hour after official sunset.

ii. Fishing is allowed with only rod and reels or poles. The statewide limit on the number of these devices applies.

iii. Daily limits are 20 bream and 3 catfish. No harvesting of largemouth bass (catch and release only). Statewide limits apply for all other fish species, except no size limit for crappie.

iv. No minnows allowed for bait.

v. Vehicles are restricted to roads and designated access areas only.

vi. Trails are for walking or fishing access only; no ATVs, motorized vehicles, or horses allowed on these trails.

vii. Pets must be on leashes or under the control of their owner at all times.

viii. The possession or consumption of alcoholic beverages is prohibited on department lake properties, except as by special permit from the department.

ix. Lake may be closed for special use activities by special permit of the department.

x. The department may issue to the Lake Paul Wallace Authority (the Authority) permits with conditions whereby the Authority may provide for fireworks shows and/or designate a public swimming area on the Lake Paul Wallace property provided that the Authority ensures that such actions comply with all local and state laws, regulations and ordinances applicable to fireworks displays and/or public swimming areas.

xi. Lake Wallace Fishing Side (East of the earthen dike that separates the two lake portions)

1. Boats are allowed, but may only be propelled by paddle, electric trolling motors, or outboard motors rated at 10 horsepower or less.

xii. Lake Wallace Boating Side (West of the earthen dike which separates the two lake portions)

1. Boats and water skiing are allowed and must follow a counter-clockwise route of travel.

2. Jet Ski or personal watercraft are allowed but not within 200 feet of boats.

3. All other South Carolina watercraft rules and regulations apply.

h. Lake Thicketty in Cherokee County

i. The lake is open to fishing 24 hours a day. The lake is open for other allowed purposes from one-half hour before official sunrise until one-half hour after official sunset.

ii. Fishing is allowed with only rod and reels or poles. The statewide limit on the number of these devices applies.

iii. Daily fish limits are 3 largemouth bass, 20 bream, and 3 catfish. Statewide limits apply for all other fish species, except no size limit on crappie.

iv. Vehicles are restricted to roads and designated access areas only.

v. Trails are for walking or fishing access only; no ATVs, motorized vehicles, or horses allowed on these trails.

vi. Pets must be on leashes or under the control of their owner at all times.

vii. Boats are allowed, but may only be propelled by paddle, electric trolling motors or outboard motors rated at 10 horsepower or less.

viii. The possession or consumption of alcoholic beverages is prohibited on department lake properties, except as by special permit from the department.

i. Webb Center Lakes in Hampton County

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i. The lakes are open for fishing Monday through Saturday from one-half hour before official sunrise until one-half hour after official sunset except for Monday afternoons, Tuesday mornings, Friday afternoon, and Saturday morning during scheduled deer hunts (October 1 – January 1).

ii. Fishing is allowed with only rod and reels or poles. The statewide limit on the number of these devices applies.

iii. Daily fish limits are 10 largemouth bass, and 30 bream. Statewide limits apply for all other fish species, except no size limit on crappie.

iv. Vehicles are restricted to roads and designated access areas only.

v. Trails are for walking or fishing access only; no ATVs, motorized vehicles, or horses allowed on these trails.

vi. Pets must be on leashes or under the control of their owner at all times.

vii. No minnows allowed for bait.

viii. Boats are allowed, but may only be propelled by paddle or electric trolling motors.

ix. The possession or consumption of alcoholic beverages is prohibited on department lake properties, except as by special permit from the department.

123-210. Term and Conditions for the Public's Use of State Lakes and Ponds Leased by the Department of Natural Resources.

A. Pursuant to the conditions provided in 1976 Code Section 50-11-2200 prohibiting certain acts and conduct on state lakes owned or leased by the department, regulations defining the terms and conditions for public use of state lakes leased by the Department are as follows:

a. Lake Ashwood in Lee County

i. The lake is open for fishing from one-half hour before official sunrise to one-half hour after official sunset, every day except Tuesday. The ponds are closed to fishing on Tuesdays.

ii. Fishing is allowed with only rod and reels or poles. The statewide limit on the number of these devices applies.

iii. No minnows allowed for bait.

iv. Daily fish limits are 3 largemouth bass, 15 bream, and 3 catfish. Statewide limits apply for all other fish species, except no size limit for crappie.

v. Trails are for walking or fishing access only; no ATVs, motorized vehicles, or horses allowed on these trails.

vi. Pets must be on leashes or under the control of their owner at all times.

vii. Boats are allowed, but may only be propelled by paddle, electric trolling motors, or outboard motors rated 10 horsepower or less.

viii. The possession or consumption of alcoholic beverages is prohibited on department lake properties, except as by special permit from the department.

ix. Lake Ashwood is closed to fishing until July 1, 2019. The Department may reopen Lake Ashwood prior to July 1, 2019 if conditions allow.

b. Dargan's Pond in Darlington County

i. The lake is open on Wednesday and Saturday only from March 1 through September 30 from one-half hour before official sunrise to one-half hour after official sunset.

ii. Fishing is allowed with only rod and reels or poles. The statewide limit on the number of these devices applies.

iii. Daily fish limits are 3 largemouth bass with only one being 16 inches or longer, 20 bream, and 3 catfish. Statewide limits apply for all other fish species.

iv. Trails are for walking or fishing access only; no ATVs, motorized vehicles, or horses allowed on these trails.

v. Pets must be on leashes or under the control of their owner at all times.

vi. Boats are allowed, but may only be propelled by paddle or electric trolling motors.

vii. The possession or consumption of alcoholic beverages is prohibited on department lake properties, except as by special permit from the department.

viii. Dargan's Pond is closed for repairs. Dargan's Pond will reopen for public use July 1, 2019. The Department may reopen Dargan's Pond prior to July 1, 2019 if conditions allow.

c. Lake Edwin Johnson in Spartanburg County

i. Lake is open for fishing from one-half hour before official sunrise to one-half hour after official sunset seven days a week.

ii. Fishing is allowed with only rod and reels or poles. The statewide limit on the number of these devices applies.

iii. No minnows allowed for bait.

iv. Daily fish limits are 3 largemouth bass, 10 bream, and 3 catfish. Statewide limits apply for all other fish species except no size limit on crappie.

v. Trails are for walking or fishing access only; no ATVs, motorized vehicles, or horses allowed on these trails.

vi. Pets must be on leashes or under the control of their owner at all times.

vii. Boats are allowed, but may only be propelled by paddle or electric trolling motors.

viii. The possession or consumption of alcoholic beverages is prohibited on department lake properties, except as by special permit from the department.

d. Jonesville Reservoir in Union County

i. Lake is open on Monday, Wednesday and Saturday only, from one-half hour before official sunrise to one-half hour after official sunset.

ii. Fishing is allowed with only rod and reels or poles. The statewide limit on the number of these devices applies.

iii. No minnows allowed for bait.

iv. Daily fish limits are 3 largemouth bass, 10 bream, and 3 catfish. Statewide limits apply for all other fish species, except no size limit on crappie.

v. Trails are for walking or fishing access only; no ATVs, motorized vehicles, or horses allowed on these trails.

vi. Pets must be on leashes or under the control of their owner at all times.

vii. Boats are allowed, but may only be propelled by paddle or electric trolling motors.

viii. The possession or consumption of alcoholic beverages is prohibited on department lake properties, except as by special permit from the department.

e. Lancaster Reservoir in Lancaster County

i. Lake is open on Thursday and Saturday from one-half hour before official sunrise to one-half hour after official sunset.

ii. Fishing is allowed with only rod and reels or poles. The statewide limit on the number of these devices applies.

iii. No minnows allowed for bait.

iv. Daily fish limits are 2 largemouth bass 16 inches or longer, 20 bream, and 3 catfish. Statewide limits apply for all other fish species.

v. Trails are for walking or fishing access only; no ATVs, motorized vehicles, or horses allowed on these trails.

vi. Pets must be on leashes or under the control of their owner at all times.

vii. Boats are allowed, but may only be propelled by paddle or electric trolling motors.

viii. The possession or consumption of alcoholic beverages is prohibited on department lake properties, except as by special permit from the department.

f. Lake Oliphant in Chester County

i. Lake is open Monday, Wednesday and Saturday from one-half hour before official sunrise to one-half hour after official sunset.

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ii. Fishing is allowed with only rod and reels or poles. The statewide limit on the number of these devices applies.

iii. No minnows allowed for bait.

iv. Daily fish limits are 3 largemouth bass, 10 bream, and 3 catfish. Statewide limits apply for all other fish species, except no size limit on crappie.

v. Trails are for walking or fishing access only; no ATVs, motorized vehicles, or horses allowed on these trails.

vi. Pets must be on leashes or under the control of their owner at all times.

vii. Boats are allowed, but may only be propelled by paddle or electric trolling motors.

viii. The possession or consumption of alcoholic beverages is prohibited on department lake properties, except as by special permit from the department.

ix. Lake Oliphant will be closed at all times for renovation and restocking from July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2017. Lake Oliphant will reopen July 1 2017.

g. Star Fort Pond in Greenwood County

i. Lake is open for fishing on Wednesday, Friday and Saturday between April 1 and November 1, from one-half hour before official sunrise to one-half hour after official sunset.

ii. Fishing is allowed with only rod and reels or poles. The statewide limit on the number of these devices applies.

iii. No minnows allowed for bait.

iv. Daily fish limits are 3 largemouth bass, 10 bream, and 3 catfish. Statewide limits apply for all other fish species, except no size limit on crappie.

v. Trails are for walking or fishing access only; no ATVs, motorized vehicles, or horses allowed on these trails.

vi. Pets must be on leashes or under the control of their owner at all times.

vii. Boats are allowed, but may only be propelled by paddle or electric trolling motors.

viii. The possession or consumption of alcoholic beverages is prohibited on department lake properties, except as by special permit from the department.

h. Sunrise Lake in Lancaster County

i. Lake is open for fishing on Monday, Wednesday and Saturday from one-half hour before official sunrise to one-half hour after official sunset.

ii. Fishing is allowed with only rod and reels or poles. The statewide limit on the number of these devices applies.

iii. No minnows allowed for bait.

iv. Daily fish limits are 2 largemouth bass, 10 bream, and 3 catfish. Statewide limits apply for all other fish species, except no size limit on crappie.

v. Trails are for walking or fishing access only; no ATVs, motorized vehicles, or horses allowed on these trails.

vi. Pets must be on leashes or under the control of their owner at all times.

vii. Boats are allowed, but may only be propelled by paddle or electric trolling motors.

viii. The possession or consumption of alcoholic beverages is prohibited on department lake properties, except as by special permit from the department.

ix. Sunrise Lake will be closed at all times for renovation and restocking from July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2018. Sunrise Lake will reopen July 1, 2018. The Department may reopen Sunrise Lake prior to July 1, 2018 if conditions allow.

Fiscal Impact Statement:

The amendment of Regulations 123-109 and 123-110 will not result in any additional costs to the State. The State and local communities will continue to benefit economically from the activities of the public accessing and utilizing the lakes and ponds for recreational fishing and outdoor recreation.

Statement of Rationale:

Regulation 123-209 is amended to reflect statutory changes and to clarify and up-date the terms and conditions to provide for the public's use of state lakes and ponds owned by the department for the purpose of providing public fishing.

Regulation 123-210 is amended to comply with statutory changes in order to establish the terms and conditions to provide for the public's use of state lakes and ponds leased by the department for the purpose of providing public fishing.