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## REGULATIONS PROHIBITING THE POSSESSION OF GRASS CARP ON LAKE NORMAN

### SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE

These Regulations may be cited as the Lake Norman Grass Carp Regulations.

### SECTION 2. JURISDICTIONAL BOUNDARIES

These regulations shall be applicable on the waters of Lake Norman, the Boundaries of which are described in Chapter 1089, House Bill 1324 of the Session Laws of 1969 of the State of North Carolina.

### SECTION 3. ILLEGAL TO KILL OR POSSESS STERILE GRASS CARP

It is illegal to kill or possess sterile grass carp (*Ctenopharyngodon idella*) within the jurisdiction of the Lake Norman Marine Commission. The foregoing notwithstanding, it is not illegal to inadvertently catch sterile grass carp and release it immediately back into Lake Norman.

This Regulation is consistent with the North Carolina Administrative Code (NCAC) 15 ANCAC 10C.0401(a)(3).

#### SECTION 4. EXEMPTIONS

This Regulation shall not apply to employees or agents of the Lake Norman Marine Commission, local, state, federal governments or Duke Power from possessing sterile grass carp in conjunction with their official duties, or any person having a duly issued sterile triploid grass carp permit from the Executive Director of the North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission.

#### SECTION 4. PENALTIES

Any violation of this Regulation is a Class 3 misdemeanor and shall be subject to a maximum fine of five hundred Dollars (\$500.00) for each violation.

#### SECTION 5. ENFORCEMENT

Law Enforcement officers with territorial jurisdiction are Authorized to enforce these regulations.

#### SECTION 6. EFFECTIVE DATE

These Regulations shall take effect on October 1, 2004.