

15A NCAC 10F .0110 ABANDONED VESSELS

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

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

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

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