

15A NCAC 18A .1004 PERMITS

(a) No person shall operate a summer camp within the State of North Carolina who does not possess a valid permit from the Department. No summer camp permit shall be issued until an evaluation by the regulatory authority shows that the establishment complies with all rules within this Section.

(b) Summer camps shall complete and submit to the Department an Advanced Notification for Operation at least 45 days prior to the first date of operation each calendar year. The advanced notification form shall be obtained from the Department and shall include the following information:

- (1) type of camp (Summer, Resident, Primitive Experience);
- (2) date notification is submitted;
- (3) dates of operation (a calendar schedule may be attached);
- (4) the name of the camp;
- (5) the physical and billing addresses of the camp;
- (6) the name of the camp responsible person;
- (7) contact information for the responsible person including phone numbers and emails;
- (8) type of water supply;
- (9) type of wastewater system;
- (10) the capacity of the camp including campers and staff;
- (11) the date the water supply will be accessible for sampling and inspection if applicable;
- (12) the dates, prior to the first date of operation, when facilities will be inspected by camp management to ensure that:
 - (A) camp facilities are clean, and in good repair;
 - (B) camp kitchen equipment, including required refrigeration and dishwashing equipment, is clean and operational;
 - (C) camp buildings and permanent sleeping quarters are free of all bats and other vermin, wildlife, and pest harborages; and
 - (D) the camp is free from conditions which represent a threat to the public health;
- (13) list of any public swimming pools, wading pools, or water recreation attractions at the camp; and
- (14) the name, signature, and title of the person completing the form.

(c) Upon transfer of ownership of an existing summer camp, the regulatory authority shall complete an evaluation of the facility. If the establishment satisfies all the requirements of this Section, a permit shall be issued. If the establishment does not satisfy all the requirements of this Section, a permit shall not be issued. If the regulatory authority determines that the noncompliant items are related to construction or equipment items that do not represent a threat to the public health, a transitional permit may be issued. The transitional permit shall expire 180 days after the date of issuance, unless suspended or revoked before that date, and shall not be renewed. Upon expiration of the transitional permit, the permit holder or responsible person shall have corrected the noncompliant items and obtained a summer camp permit, or the summer camp shall be closed.

(d) The regulatory authority shall impose conditions on the issuance of a summer camp permit or transitional permit, if necessary, to ensure that the summer camp remains in compliance with the rules of this Section. Conditions may be specified for one or more of the following areas:

- (1) The number of persons served;
- (2) The categories of food served;
- (3) Time schedules in completing minor construction items;
- (4) Modification or maintenance of water supplies, water use fixtures and sanitary sewage systems;
- (5) Use of facilities for more than one purpose;
- (6) Continuation of contractual arrangements upon which basis the permit was issued;
- (7) Submission and approval of plans for renovation; and
- (8) Any other conditions necessary for the summer camp to remain in compliance with the Rules of this Section.

(e) A summer camp permit or transitional permit shall be immediately revoked in accordance with G.S. 130A-23(d) for failure of the facility to maintain a minimum grade of C. A permit or transitional permit may otherwise be suspended or revoked in accordance with G.S. 130A-23. If a permit or transitional permit has been suspended, the suspension shall be lifted if the regulatory authority has evaluated the establishment and found that the violations causing the suspension have been corrected. If a permit or transitional permit has been revoked, a new permit shall be issued only after the regulatory authority has evaluated the establishment and found it to comply with all applicable rules. These evaluations shall be scheduled and conducted within 15 days after the request is made by the summer camp's permit holder or responsible person.

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