



CHAPTER 153A

ARTICLE 6 - DELEGATION AND EXERCISE OF THE GENERAL POLICE POWER

N.C.G.S. § 153A-129.

Firearms.

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§ 153A-129(a) Except as provided in this section, a county may by ordinance regulate, restrict, or prohibit the discharge of firearms at any time or place except in any of the following instances:

- (1) When used to take birds or animals pursuant to Chapter 113, Subchapter IV.
- (2) When used in defense of person or property.
- (3) When used pursuant to lawful directions of law-enforcement officers.

§ 153A-129(b) A county may by ordinance prohibit hunting on Sunday as allowed under G.S. 103-2, provided the ordinance complies with all of the following:

- (1) The ordinance shall be applicable from January 1 until December 31 of any year of effectiveness.
- (2) The ordinance shall allow for individuals hunting in an adjacent county with no restriction on Sunday hunting to retrieve any animal lawfully shot from the adjacent county.
- (3) The ordinance shall be applicable to the entire county.
- (4) The ordinance shall not be effective unless approved by a majority of those voting in a county-wide referendum held as provided in G.S. 163-287. Such special election shall only be held at the time provided by G.S. 163-287(a)(1).

§ 153A-129(c) A county may regulate the display of firearms on the public roads, sidewalks, alleys, or other public property.

§ 153A-129(d)

This section does not limit a county's authority to take action under Article 1A of Chapter 166A of the General Statutes.

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APPARATUS I
7 ACTS

Amendment lineage

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Nº	YEAR	ACT	CHARACTER
01	1973	c. 822, s. 1	ENACTED
02	2006	S.L. 2006-264, s. 16	AMENDED
03	2012	S.L. 2012-12, s. 2(yy)	AMENDED
04	2015	S.L. 2015-144, s. 5(b)	AMENDED
05	2017	S.L. 2017-6, s. 3	AMENDED
06	2017	S.L. 2017-182, s. 3(a)	AMENDED
07	2018	S.L. 2018-146, ss. 3.1(a), (b), 6.1	AMENDED

APPARATUS II
3 AUTHORITIES

Authorities referenced

Every G.S. cross-reference appearing in the text of this section, in order of first appearance. Nothing is characterized; the operative language is quoted from the section itself.

REFERENCE	APPEARS IN	OPERATIVE LANGUAGE IN THIS SECTION
G.S. 103-2	(b)	" <i>hunting on Sunday as allowed under</i> "
G.S. 163-287	(b)(4)	" <i>county-wide referendum held as provided in</i> "
G.S. 163-287(a)(1)	(b)(4)	" <i>held at the time provided by</i> "

APPARATUS III

Citation

FULL SECTION

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