

1 08 NCAC 10C .0102 is proposed for adoption as follows:

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3 **08 NCAC 10C .0102 VOTING SITE BUFFER ZONES**

4 (a) The voting place buffer zone at a voting site shall be established as follows:

5 (1) Before each election, the county board of elections shall adopt a resolution establishing a voting  
6 place buffer zone at each voting site in the county in accordance with G.S. 163-166.4(a). When  
7 adopting a resolution establishing a voting place buffer zone, the county board shall take into  
8 account the physical layout and dimensions of the voting site, location of the entrances for ingress  
9 to and egress from the voting place, parking areas at the voting site, and the electioneering zone  
10 established under Rule .0103 of this Subchapter and G.S. 163-166.4(b). If a voting place has  
11 multiple entrances, the county board shall establish a voting place buffer zone at each entrance.  
12 Notice of the resolution shall be given to the public in accordance with G.S. 163-166.4.

13 (2) Prior to the start of voting, the chief judge or a judge designated by the chief judge shall mark the  
14 boundary of the voting place buffer zone consistent with the county board of election's resolution  
15 adopted under Subparagraph (a)(1) of this Rule. The zone shall be marked or caused to be marked  
16 with signage, cones, rope, tape, or some other visible marker that the chief judge determines is  
17 appropriate for ensuring peace and good order at the voting place in accordance with 08 NCAC 10B  
18 .0101(b)(18) and (19) when taking into account the physical layout, dimensions, and parking areas  
19 of the voting site.

20 (b) The curbside voting zone and curbside buffer zone at a voting site shall be established as follows:

21 (1) Before each election, the county board of elections shall adopt a resolution establishing a curbside  
22 voting zone at each voting site in the county. The curbside voting zone shall be sufficient in size to  
23 accommodate at least two vehicles for voters to engage in the act of voting curbside in accordance  
24 with 08 NCAC 10B. 0108.

25 (2) Before each election, the county board of elections shall adopt a resolution establishing a curbside  
26 buffer zone at each voting site in the county. The county board of elections shall establish the  
27 curbside buffer zone of a distance no less than 6 feet and no more than 15 feet as measured in a  
28 straight line from the nearest marked boundary of the curbside voting zone, taking into account the  
29 physical layout and dimensions of the voting site, parking areas, voting place buffer zone, and the  
30 electioneering zone at the voting site. Notice of the resolution shall be given to the public in  
31 accordance with G.S. 163-166.4.

32 (3) Prior to the start of voting, the chief judge or a judge designated by the chief judge shall mark the  
33 boundary of the curbside voting zone and curbside buffer zone consistent with the county board of  
34 election's resolution adopted under this Rule in the same manner as marking the voting place buffer  
35 zone under Subparagraph (a)(2) of this Rule.

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37 History Note: Authority G.S. 163-22; 163-129; 163-166.4; 163-166.5; 163-166.6; 163-166.7; 163-166.9;

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