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* Note:

**RULE:** 15A NCAC 03L .0202  
CRAB TRAWLING  
(a) It is unlawful to take or possess aboard a vessel crabs taken by trawl in internal waters except in areas and during such times as the Fisheries Director may specify by proclamation.  
(b) It is unlawful to use a trawl to take crabs that does not meet mesh length requirements, except as provided in 15A NCAC 03J .0104. The minimum mesh length to take hard crabs with a trawl is three inches, except...  
(2) The Fisheries Director may, by proclamation, specify areas other than the area described in Subparagraph (b)(1) of this Rule for trawl mesh length use and increase the minimum trawl mesh length to no more than four inches to take hard crabs.

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**Map 1**

CRAB TRAWLING  
(15A NCAC 03L .0202)  
(b) (1) Pamlico Sound

* The 3 inch minimum mesh length applies to all internal waters from Core Sound south to South Carolina state line.