

numbered hereunder at the time of sale, and the Department shall not effect a transfer of ownership until any such amount of money owed thereon AS SHOWN ON THE RECORDS OF THE DEPARTMENT has been paid in full, unless said amount is recorded on the new title, and the Department may make such rules and regulations as deemed necessary to enforce the provisions of this sentence ANY VESSEL THAT IS REQUIRED TO BE NUMBERED BY SECTION 5 THAT WAS EXEMPT PRIOR OF JANUARY 1, 1974, SHALL BE EXEMPT FROM PAYMENT OF THE TITLE TAX [, including the charging of the sum of two dollars ( \$2.00) for every recordation of unpaid money under the provisions of this sentence]

(d) Whenever a vessel which is required to be numbered by this article is sold, transferred, abandoned, lost or destroyed, its certificate shall expire at the time of such sale, transfer, abandonment, loss or destruction, and shall be invalid thereafter:

(e)[On and after January 1, 1967, every vessel for which a new certificate is issued pursuant to this section, shall be issued a registration card, valid only for the current year of certification, which card shall always be retained on or about such vessel and displayed upon demand t ay law enforcement officer. The Department shall make such rules and regulations as may be necessary to effectuate the purposes of this section.] **THERE IS A \$5.00 SERVICE CHARGE FOR EVERY CHECK RETURNED UNPAID.**

(f) The Department of [Chesapeake Bay Affairs] NATURAL RESOURCES is hereby authorized to take possession of any certificate of number, title, permit, license of registration issued by it upon expiration, revocation, cancellation or suspension thereof, or which has been unlawfully or erroneously issued.

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[(a) Whenever any vessel operating upon the waters of Maryland is involved in an accident, it shall be the duty of the operator, so far as he can do so without serious danger to his own passengers, guests, crew, himself or his vessel, to render to all other persons affected by the accident such assistance as may be practicable and as may be necessary in order to save them from or to minimize any danger caused by the accident. He shall also give his name, address, and identifying information regarding his vessel, to any person injured or the the owner of any property damaged in the accident.]

**(A) THE OPERATOR OF A VESSEL INVOLVED IN A COLLISION, ACCIDENT, OR OTHER CASUALTY, TO THE EXTENT HE CAN DO SO WITHOUT SERIOUS DANGER TO HIS OWN VESSEL, OR PERSONS ABOARD, SHALL RENDER ALL PRACTICAL AND NECESSARY ASSISTANCE TO PERSONS AFFECTED BY THE COLLISION, ACCIDENT, OR CASUALTY TO SAVE THEM FROM DANGER CAUSED BY THE COLLISION, ACCIDENT OR CASUALTY. HE SHALL ALSO GIVE HIS NAME, ADDRESS, AND THE IDENTIFICATION OF HIS VESSEL TO ANY PERSON INJURED AND TO THE OWNER OF ANY PROPERTY DAMAGED. THE DUTIES IMPOSED BY THIS SUBSECTION ARE IN ADDITION TO ANY DUTIES OTHERWISE IMPOSED BY LAW.**

**(B) ANY PERSONS WHO COMPLIES WITH SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION OR WHO GRATUITOUSLY AND IN GOOD FAITH RENDERS ASSISTANCE AT THE SCENE OF A VESSEL COLLISION, ACCIDENT, OR OTHER CASUALTY WITHOUT OBJECTION OF ANY PERSON ASSISTED, SHALL NOT BE HELD LIABLE FOR ANY CIVIL DAMAGES AS A RESULT OF THE RENDERING OF ASSISTANCE OR FOR ANY ACT OR OMISSION IN PROVIDING OR ARRANGING SALVAGE, TOWAGE, MEDICAL TREATMENT, OR OTHER ASSISTANCE WHERE THE ASSISTING PERSON ACTS AS AN ORDINARY, REASONABLE PRUDENT PERSON**