

when the vessel is in use. The owner shall paint on or attach the boat number to each side of the forward half of the vessel's hull or superstructure for which the boat number is issued, displaying the boat number in the manner required by Department regulations and maintaining the boat number in legible condition.

(e) If a vessel required to be numbered under this subtitle is sold, transferred, abandoned, lost, stolen, or destroyed, the vessel's certificate expires at the time of the sale, transfer, abandonment, loss, theft, or destruction and then is invalid.

(f) There is a \$5 service charge for every check returned unpaid.

(g) [Each year the] THE Department shall inform each holder of a certificate of boat number of the manner in which the boat owner may obtain a current copy of the U. S. Coast Guard rules and regulations applicable to the type of boat registered under the owner's boat number.

(h) If a person who applies for the issuance or renewal of a certificate of boat number for a vessel has an outstanding warrant for failing to appear in court to answer a charging document alleging a violation under this subtitle, the Department shall refuse to issue or renew the certificate of boat number for the vessel until the person charged has complied with the provisions of § 1-205 of this article.

8-712.1.

(a) (1) An owner of a [yacht] VESSEL that has a valid document issued by the United States Coast Guard and that is used principally on the waters of the State for pleasure shall apply ~~annually~~ to the Department for [validation] A MARYLAND USE STICKER.

(2) The Department shall issue a [validation sticker] MARYLAND USE STICKER to any person who submits an application and pays a fee as required by subsection (b) of this section.

(3) [A validation] THE MARYLAND USE sticker issued under this section shall be valid [through] FOR A PERIOD NOT TO EXCEED 2 YEARS EXPIRING ON December 31 of the CALENDAR year [in which the validation] FOLLOWING THE YEAR THE sticker is issued.

(b) The owner of the [yacht] VESSEL shall:

(1) Submit an application to the Department on the form that the Department requires and be signed by every owner of the [yacht] VESSEL; and

(2) Pay to the Department an application fee of [\$5] \$10 FOR THE 2-YEAR STICKER.

(c) Within 30 days after the sale or other transfer of a [yacht] VESSEL that is or should [be validated] DISPLAY A STICKER under this section:

(1) The transferor shall give notice of the transfer to the Department on a form that the Department requires; and