

PART 1.

General Provisions.

1929, ch. 471, sec. 1.

1. *Definitions.* Whenever used in this Article, unless a counter intention is evident from the context, the term "Tidal Waters" shall include all waters of this State where the tide ebbs and flows; and the term "Non-tidal Waters" shall embrace all waters above a point where the tide ebbs and flows.

The word "Person" shall include Corporation, Partnership and Joint Association.

The term "Game and Fresh Water Fish" shall include all fishes found in all waters above a point where the tide ebbs and flows.

1929, ch. 471, sec. 2.

2. *Application of General and Local Laws.* All local and general laws of this State fixing or regulating minimum and maximum sizes of fish, crabs or clams, or regulating or prohibiting the sale of fish, crabs or clams, respectively, shall apply whether the same be caught in the waters of the State of Maryland or in the waters of any other State, Country or Territory and brought into this State, and the fines and penalties prescribed for violation of said laws respectively shall apply to the same extent.

1929, ch. 471, sec. 3.

3. *Duties of Conservation Commissioner.* In addition to any other duties embraced in this Article or Article 19A, it shall be the duty of the Conservation Commissioner to inspect all the waters of this State with a view to stocking same with such food fish as in his judgment shall be most advantageous. The Conservation Commissioner is also authorized and empowered to erect and maintain suitable fish hatcheries, ponds, and rearing stations for propagation purposes and for stocking the streams with fresh water fish, and to maintain such hatcheries on the waters of the Chesapeake Bay and its tributaries for the purposes of propagation of salt water or anadromous fish, such hatcheries to be maintained out of any funds under the control of the Conservation Department.

As to the Conservation Commissioner, see art. 19A.

1929, ch. 471, sec. 4.

4. *Duties of Officers of the Conservation Department.* It shall be the duty of the Conservation Commissioner and his Deputy Commanders and Inspectors and of the State Game Warden and his Deputies to see that the provisions of this Article are not violated, to arrest all persons found violating any of the provisions of said Article and to take the said offender or offenders to the nearest or most accessible justice of the peace qualified to try same, to be dealt with according to law, and to seize any and all fish, crabs and clams that may be caught, sold, offered for sale or are being held