

cove, river, inlet or sound emptying into the said dividing river and lying wholly within a county other than the one of which he is a resident or land owner, except as provided for in Section 21, sub-title "Riparian Rights," except that a non-resident of one county may fish in the waters within the jurisdictional limits of another county after having first obtained the written permission of the abutting land-owner and providing further that the provisions of this section shall not apply to the catching of eels.

1929, ch. 471, sec. 26.

25. *Method of Fishing.* It shall not be lawful to take or catch fish for commercial purposes in the tidal waters of this State by the use of a drag net or drag seine, hauled by boat (purse and buck net excepted), beam trawl, trammel net or troll net, or any similar destructive device.

1929, ch. 471, sec. 27.

26. *Regulation of Nets and Seines.* Unless otherwise provided, it shall be unlawful to set, place, construct or use any net of any description except purse or buck net and floating gill nets, in the waters of this State at a distance greater than one-third the distance across the waters of any bay, sound, river, creek, cove or inlet where such net may be set or used; nor shall any pound or stake nets be closer to another than 400 yards in a parallel line. Nor shall any single line of fish net stakes, including the pound or head and leader or hedging have a length greater than 1,000 feet and between successive pounds or gill nets in the same row, clear and unobstructed intervals of at least 200 feet shall be maintained; nor shall any stake project out of the water less than 2 feet above the surface of the water at all stations of the tide. The outer end of each pound net shall be plainly marked by a brush or other suitable day marker, readily discernible to indicate the opening between nets. The name of the owner and the license number of each pound net shall be displayed in black letters not less than 2 inches in height upon a white background on a stake at the outer end of the pound, at such height and in such position that it may be readily seen from adjacent navigable channels; nor to set, place or construct any pound nets or other staked nets or to haul seine in or upon the waters covering leased oyster ground without the permission of the lessee of such ground.

1929, ch. 471, sec. 28.

27. *Purse or Buck Nets.* Purse or buck nets may be used only in the waters of the Chesapeake Bay south of a line drawn east from Robins' Point on the Western Shore to Handy's Point on the Eastern Shore and not within one mile of the shores of Harford County exclusive of Poole's Island, and then only for the purpose of catching fish for food purposes, and from July 15th to October 31st, both inclusive, of each year. For the purpose of this Article and for defining the mouth of the Great Choptank River and the mouth of Eastern Bay, both of which are tributaries of the Chesapeake Bay within the meaning of this Article, a straight line drawn