

The term "wild birds" includes all birds other than domestic birds.

The term "open season" shall mean the time, with the exception of Sunday, during which game and fur-bearing animals may be legally taken or killed and shall include both the first and last day of the season or period designated by this Article.

The term "closed season" shall mean the time during which game or fur-bearing animals may not be legally taken or killed and includes all periods of time not included within the open season.

The term "hunt" shall mean to include: hunt, pursue, catch, kill, trap, shoot or attempt to hunt, pursue, catch, kill, trap or shoot.

### **Game Warden.**

1927, ch. 568, sec. 3.

3. The Conservation Commissioner of Maryland on the first Monday in June, 1918, and every four years thereafter shall appoint, with the approval of the Governor of this State, a Game Warden for the State whose term of office shall be for four years or until his successor shall be appointed and qualified. The said Game Warden shall receive a salary from the State for his services to the amount as provided by the budget of this State per annum, and shall be entitled to traveling expenses and all other expenses incurred in the discharge of his duties. The Game Warden may be removed by the Conservation Commissioner, with the approval of the Governor, at any time upon satisfactory proof to them that said Game Warden is not vigorously enforcing the game or fish laws of this State or is not competent for said position.

1927, ch. 568, sec. 4.

4. It shall be the duty of the Game Warden and deputy game wardens to prosecute all persons and corporations having in their possession any game or fish contrary to the laws of this State. It shall also be their duty to see that the game and fish laws are enforced.

1927, ch. 568, sec. 5.

5. Whenever the Game Warden considers that it is necessary that he should have Deputy Game Wardens to assist him in more efficiently enforcing the game and fish laws of this State, he may issue a commission, signed by the Game Warden and the Conservation Commissioner, to such persons as he may designate to act as Deputy Game Wardens, to enforce said laws; such persons may be appointed for the whole State or for such county or counties, city or cities as the Game Warden may designate. Such Deputy Game Wardens shall not receive a salary from the State, counties or cities, but shall be paid such compensation out of the State Game Protection Fund as the Game Warden may agree with them. In similar manner there may be appointed Deputy Game Wardens for the State at large or for any section of this State, such Deputy Game Wardens shall not receive a salary, but shall receive as their compensation one-half of all fines derived from the prosecution of violators of the game and fish laws arrested by them.