

P. L. L., 1888, Art 21, sec. 161. 1878, ch. 359. 1900, ch. 674, sec. 161.  
1904, ch. 562, sec. 161.

**376.** Any master or person in charge of any boat who shall violate any of the provisions of this sub-title of said Article relating to the catching of oysters in the Choptank river shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and, on conviction before any justice of the peace or Judge of the Circuit Court of either of said counties, shall be fined not less than fifty nor more than three hundred dollars, and stand committed until said fine and costs are paid.\*

P. L. L., 1888, Art. 21, sec. 162. 1878, ch. 359. 1900, ch. 674, sec. 162.  
1902, ch. 180, sec. 162.

**377.** It shall not be lawful for any dunnaged boat, canoe or vessel to be employed to catch oysters with scoop, scrape or dredge in the waters in common between Dorchester and Talbot Counties, and all timbers more than five and one-half inches in depth used in the construction of said boat, to which her bottom is fastened or any and all other materials used to make the space between the ceiling and bottom planks over five and one-half inches, and all ceiling over two inches thick, and any or all materials used between such ceiling and deck decreasing custom-house tonnage, shall be considered dunnage. The Governor of this State shall, on or before the first day of July in each year, appoint two competent persons, one from Dorchester County and one from Talbot County, to be known as admeasurers, to examine and measure all boats in the counties of Talbot and Dorchester, for which they are respectively appointed, over six tons gross or smaller boats, if, in the judgment of said admeasurers they have reason to believe such boats have been incorrectly measured prior to the granting, by the clerks of said circuit courts, a license to catch oysters with scoop, scrape or dredge, and the said admeasurers acting together in the presence of each other, shall as soon as notified, and paid two dollars each for each boat and traveling expenses, and the cost of certificate by the captain or managing owner of such boats shall proceed to examine and measure the same; if, after examining and measuring such boat, the admeasurer finds that such boat is under seven tons gross or under ten and fifty-two one-hundredths tons gross, and if such last-mentioned boat was licensed to take oysters with scoop, scrape or dredge on said waters for the season ending March 15, 1900, and no dunnage in any of said boats, each of said admeasurers shall, under oath, so certify to the clerk of the court of the county to which application for license is to be made, giving the tonnage of such boats, and shall also give a duplicate certificate to the master or managing owner of said boat to be by him produced for comparison to the clerk, aforesaid, at the time of applying for license. It shall be the duty of the Commander of the State Fishery Force or any officer under his command, whom he shall duly authorize and empower at any time that he or such duly authorized officer shall deem it proper to inspect and verify the measurement of any boats and their

\*Sec. 2, ch. 562, 1904, repealed all laws inconsistent therewith.