

office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Baltimore City, if residing in Baltimore City, and may revoke and annul any such appointment at any time he may desire.

1927, ch. 568, sec. 7.

8. The Game Warden and every Deputy Game Warden shall, before entering upon the duties of his office, take and subscribe before the clerk of the Circuit Court of the county of which he is a resident, or if a resident of Baltimore City, before the Clerk of the Superior Court of Baltimore City, the oath or affirmation prescribed by the sixth section of the first Article of the constitution of this State, which oath or affirmation shall be recorded in the clerk's office of such county or city. The Clerk of Court shall charge fifty cents (50¢) for recording such oath or affirmation. The Clerk of the Court before whom said person takes the oath of office shall notify in writing the Game Warden of this State. The Game Warden and every Deputy Game Warden of the State so appointed, after the recording of the oath or affirmation to be by said Game Warden or Deputy Game Wardens taken as aforesaid, shall, in the County, Counties, City or Cities for which such Deputy Game Warden may be appointed, possess and exercise all the authority and powers held or exercised by constables at common law and under the statutes of this State, and also all authority and power conferred by law upon policemen in the City of Baltimore or any other city of this State, as far as arresting and prosecuting persons for violating any of the fish and game laws of this State are concerned; the salaried Deputy Game Wardens shall, when on duty, carry equipment as specified by the Game Warden, and they are hereby vested with additional powers to arrest without warrant persons known to be guilty of violating any of the provisions of the game and fish laws of this State, and to forthwith take any and all such persons before any Justice of the Peace of the County or City where the offense was committed to be dealt with in accordance with the provisions of the game and fish laws. In the event of finding game or fish taken or held in possession contrary to the laws of this State, the Game Warden or Deputy Game Wardens or other officer may confiscate same and the Game Warden shall dispose of any confiscated property as he may deem advisable to the best interest of this State.

1927, ch. 568, sec. 8.

9. The Game Warden and Deputy Game Wardens shall, when acting in their official capacity, except when on detective duty, wear in plain view a metallic badge with the words "Game Warden" or "Deputy Game Warden" as the case may be, inscribed thereon, as furnished by the Game Warden of this State. The metallic shield or badge provided for in this section is hereby declared to be the property of the State, and upon the termination of a commission of any Deputy Game Warden he shall forthwith return the said shield or badge and commission to the Game Warden. In case of the failure of said Deputy Game Warden to comply with the provisions of this section, by returning immediately to the Game Warden his badge and commission after notice has been given as provided by law, he shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be fined Five Dollars (\$5.00) and costs by any Justice of the Peace of the County or City in which said Deputy resides; the said fine to be payable to the State Game Protection Fund.