

Prohibition specified.

nothing herein contained shall authorize the catching of oysters with scoop, dredge or similar instrument, on any oyster bar within one and a half miles of Talley's point, Sandy point, Hackett's point, Thomas' point, Holland Island bar, Three Sisters, Swan point bar, Poplar island, one-quarter of a mile west of and between the island and the mainland, nor within a half mile of Plum point, and to buy and sell oysters in this State, which license shall hold good for one year, but shall only authorize the catching of oysters between the fifteenth day of October and the first day of April; but it shall be lawful for the owner of any such boat licensed, whenever said owner shall sell and convey by bill of sale, for a bona fide consideration, said boat unto any person who has been a resident of the State of Maryland for at least one year, to transfer the said license to said vendee with said boat, which license, when transferred, shall entitle said vendee with said boat to the same privileges for catching oysters in the waters of this State that the original vendor or assignor had before said assignment; provided the said vendee and assignee shall appear before the Comptroller of the Treasury and make oath before him to all the facts, matters, things and prerequisites required of said original vendor or assignor before taking out such licenses, upon which said license the said Comptroller shall certify the fact of said vendee or assignee have taken said oath, and for which said assignee or vendee shall pay the sum of five dollars, to be paid to the State of Maryland.

Right to transfer license.

Make oath of facts.

Must be bona fide owner.

SEC. 4. *And be it enacted*, That the owner of such boat shall make oath before the Comptroller or his clerk, or if the owner be a resident of Baltimore city, shall make oath before the Clerk of the Court of Common pleas, or if a resident of a county, shall make oath before the Clerk of the Circuit Court of said county that he is the bona fide owner of such boat to be described in the license; that he has been a resident of the State for the time before mentioned; that there is no lien on said boat held by a non-resident; that the said boat is not held with an intention to violate the provisions of this law; such applicant shall produce before the Comptroller at the time of such application the certificate of the taking