

inafter provided. The open season for all species of trout shall be from the first day of April to the thirtieth day of June, both dates inclusive, and the open season on bass of all species and other game and fresh water fish shall be between the first day of July and the thirtieth day of November, both dates inclusive, and then only by means of rod, hook and line, except bait fish may be taken by use of a dip or landing net or seine not over six feet in length nor greater than three feet in depth.

If any person found with a gig or gig iron and a light or lights in his or her possession in or near any of the waters of this State, above a point where the tide ebbs and flows, it shall be prima facie evidence that same was in possession for the purpose of violating this section.

Provided, however, it shall be lawful to fish for eels by the use of a slat basket (commonly known as the Chesapeake Bay eel pot) at any time, and it shall be lawful to fish by the use of dip nets for suckers, catfish, carp, eels and gudgeons between the first day of February and the first day of April, both dates inclusive. It is further provided that the dip net provision of this section shall not apply to the waters of Garrett County.

Provided, however, the open season for fishing for rainbow trout, in so far as the same applies to that part of Youghiogheny River below Swallow Falls, in Garrett County, shall be from July 1st to November 30th, inclusive.

Provided, however, it shall be unlawful for any person to take in any one day more than twenty trout, or bass, of any species above any point where the tide ebbs and flows.

Provided, however, it shall be lawful to set out line or trot line or lines; however no person in setting or using same shall place more than twenty-five hooks to any one line, and it shall be unlawful for any person to place on said hooks any live bait; however, it shall be unlawful for any person to take any bass, or trout of any species by means of any out line or trot line at any time.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That all laws or parts of laws of the State of Maryland, general or local, inconsistent with the provisions of this Act, be and the same are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

Approved April 5, 1927.