

vent the setting of a seine from a vessel or boat in the customary manner.

(b) It shall be unlawful for any person to empty a seine upon the shore or beach so as to leave the small fish to perish, or in any water less than twelve inches deep; but he shall at all times empty his seine in waters of sufficient depth to enable the smaller fish to return to the waters for growth.

(c) It shall be unlawful to haul any seine in the waters covering leased oyster ground except by permission of the lessee.

30A. *Anchored Gill Nets and Fyke or Hoop Nets.* (a) It shall be unlawful to set or use any anchored gill net or fyke or hoop net or any line of such nets which (1) has a greater length than one-third the distance across the waters of the bay, sound, river, creek, cove or inlet where it is set or (2) is so set or used as to impede or obstruct navigation on or to block in any way the main channel of such bay, sound, river, creek, cove or inlet

(b) No anchored gill net shall be set or used closer to a pound or stake net than 400 yards, measured at right angles to the line of stakes.

30B. *Sizes of Mesh.* It shall be unlawful to fish with any net whose size of stretched mesh (allowing a reasonable tolerance for shrinkage) is less than herein provided: pound net,  $2\frac{1}{4}$  inches; haul seine,  $2\frac{1}{2}$  inches; gill net,  $2\frac{1}{2}$  inches; fyke or hoop net,  $2\frac{1}{4}$  inches. Nothing in this section shall apply to the catching of eels.

59. The season for catching shad and herring in the tidal waters of this State shall be as follows:

(a) In Chesapeake Bay and tributaries south of a line from the northernmost point of Poole's Island to Worton's Point, except in Potomac River, February 1st to May 26th, both dates inclusive.

(b) In Chesapeake Bay and tributaries north of a line from the northernmost point of Poole's Island to Worton's Point, March 15th to June 5th, both dates inclusive.

(c) In Chincoteague, Sinepuxent, Isle of Wight and Assawoman Bays and their tributaries, and in the Atlantic Ocean within three miles of the Maryland shore, March 1st to May 26th, both dates inclusive.

(d) In Potomac River, March 1st to May 26th, both dates inclusive.

(e) It shall be unlawful for any person to catch, offer for sale or have in his possession **any** shad or herring after June 6th.