

*first such area shall not exceed a distance of 100 yards for each land owner. In the event that there shall be more than one such private bathing beach belonging to the same land owner, or one private bathing beach which extends for a distance of more than 100 yards, the Commission of Tidewater Fisheries may, in their discretion issue a numbered permit for more than one such private beach or for an area in excess of 100 yards. Any extended area or areas shall be marked and the areas designated as the Commission of Tidewater Fisheries shall prescribe in its rules and regulations, or*

*(5) on Sunday, or between sunset and one-half hour after sunrise on any other day, or to land soft shell clams before sunrise or later than one (1) hour after sunset, or*

*(6) within 100 yards of the mean low water mark of any shore line, or*

*(7) between October 1 and the last day of the wild fowl hunting season, all of the waters of Kent County as defined herein except all that area of the Chesapeake Bay waters known as Swann Point Bar, extending northward from Navigation Buoy No. 3 to a line 600 yards southward of Swann Point, excepting and excluding all areas within fifty yards of natural oyster bars as shown on published charts of 1906-1912 on record with the State Department of Tidewater Fisheries.*

*(c) Manner of Adopting and Publishing Rules and Regulations.—No such rules and regulations of the Commission shall become effective until said Commission has held a public hearing. Such public hearing shall be advertised as to time, place and purpose, and such advertisement shall appear in at least one newspaper, local to the county for two successive weeks in advance of such hearing. After such hearing, and upon adoption by a majority of the members of the Commission of Tidewater Fisheries, and following compliance with the provisions of Section 9, Article 41 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition), such rules and regulations shall be published for one (1) week in the newspapers bearing notice of the hearing, and thereafter shall have all the force and effect as of law.*

*(d) License to Operate Hydraulic, Mechanical or Other Dredge.—The rules and regulations adopted by the Commission of Tidewater Fisheries shall provide that any person, desiring a license to operate a hydraulic, mechanical, or other dredge for the catching or taking of soft shell clams, shall be the owner of his boat and a resident of the county for one year prior to his application, and each member of the crew of his boat or rig, must be, for a period of one year prior to his application, a bona fide resident of the County in which he wishes to operate such dredge, that any license, issued by the Commission of Tidewater Fisheries, shall specify the County in which such operation is authorized, shall be valid for twelve (12) months from July first to June thirtieth, and the fee therefor shall be Fifty Dollars (\$50.00). A PROPELLER GUARD SHALL BE USED AS MAY BE REQUIRED BY THE COMMISSION OF TIDEWATER FISHERIES. THE COMMISSION OF TIDEWATER FISHERIES MAY REQUIRE SUCH MODIFICATIONS TO THE HYDRAULIC CLAM DREDE AND/OR LICENSED DREDGE BOATS AND RIGS AS MAY BE DEMONSTRATED TO BE IN THE PUBLIC INTEREST THROUGH RESEARCH OF THE DEPARTMENT*