

within a twelve month period, MAY be fined not more than five hundred dollars (\$500.00) or MAY BE sentenced to six months' imprisonment, or both.

157. Special provisions on certain waters.

(a) Section [155] 154, relating to distance from shore, shall not apply to the waters of the Chesapeake Bay opposite the shore line of Anne Arundel and Calvert Counties on the western side of said Bay, and to the waters of Brannock's Bay, Trippe's Bay or Todd's Bay in Dorchester County, nor to the waters of the Chesapeake Bay adjacent to Poplar Island, in Coache's Neck, nor to the waters lying north of a straight line drawn from Black Walnut Point to Benoni's Point in Talbot County, nor to the waters of Prospect Bay in Queen Anne's County, **NOR TO THE WATERS WITHIN ONE THOUSAND YARDS OF JAMES ISLAND IN DORCHESTER COUNTY.**

[LICENSE FOR BLINDS. HOW OBTAINED]

[Ch. 987, Acts 1945; Ch. 692, Acts 1951]

[159.

(a) A bona fide resident of this State, or a non-resident owner of land bordering on the Potomac River, or on any other waters, his lessee or licensee, may erect, set, or maintain a booby, brush, or stake blind as provided in this subheading after first obtaining a license so to do from the clerk of the circuit court of the County in which said blind is located opposite the shore thereof, and said clerk is authorized to issue said license upon payment by the applicant the sum of Five Dollars (\$5.00) and in addition to the license fees so received the clerk issuing same shall collect and retain the sum of Fifty Cents (50¢), in lieu of all other compensation, as the clerk's fee. The clerk of the court shall not issue to any one person license to erect, set, or maintain more than two booby, brush, or stake blinds in or over the waters of this State, however, the issuance of two blinds shall not apply to copartnership, associations, or corporations. Such license shall be void on the thirtieth day of June of each year following the date of issuance. Said clerk shall not issue a license for any blind until July 1st of each year and shall issue license in rotation as applications are received. Said applicant for said license shall certify in writing to said clerk when making application for said license that he is the owner, of the legal amount of shore front as required by law, and if a lessee or licensee making application for license on or before October 10 of each year he shall present to said clerk a written permission from the owner of the shore, or his authorized agent, where said applicant desires a license to erect said blind or blinds on the waters off shore of said owner's property, for use of shore front for purpose of erecting a blind or blinds on shore or water and shall certify that the owner of said shore has the required distance of shore line in conformance with the law. Such license shall not be transferable and if used or presented by any person other than the person to whom it was issued such license shall be confiscated by the Director or any game warden, constable, or other officer who shall find such licenses being used illegally and the blind for which said license was issued destroyed.

(b) The clerks of the circuit court of the counties shall on the first day of July, 1943, and on the first day of each and every month