

and Fish," subheading "Upland and Migratory Game Birds and Game Animals," to provide an exception to pheasant hunting provisions in Charles County.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Section 132(a) of Article 66C of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1970 Replacement Volume), title "Natural Resources," subtitle "Birds, Game and Fish," subheading "Upland and Migratory Game Birds and Game Animals," be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows :

132.

(a) *Open seasons.*—The open season for game birds and game animals shall be set by regulations of the Game and Inland Fish Commission under authority conferred upon it by Section 115 of this article. The Game and Inland Fish Commission shall adopt and publish seasons on game birds and game animals annually on or before April 25 of each year, and antlerless deer seasons, if any, before November 1 of each year, provided, however, that whenever the Game and Inland Fish Commission, in the exercising of its powers and authority, restricts or reduces the number of days normally allowed for the hunting, taking, capturing, killing, possession, sale, purchase, shipment, transportation, carriage or export of any wild bird or wild animal because of an emergency situation or condition, said Game and Inland Fish Commission shall have the authority to extend the period aforementioned beyond the days specified below so as to provide a comparable number of days in any given season for hunting, taking, capturing, killing, possession, sale, purchase, shipment, transportation, carriage or export of any wild bird or wild animal. The seasons for wild ducks, geese, brant, railbirds, woodcock, doves and jacksnipe shall be set annually and published each year in order that they may, in the discretion of the Commission, conform to the federal migratory bird regulations adopted annually by the Secretary of the Interior.

Kind of Game	Open Season
Squirrel, grouse and wild turkey	May be hunted for a period to be fixed annually by the Commission.
Quail	May be hunted for a period to be fixed annually by the Commission.
Pheasant, rabbit or hare	May be hunted for a period to be fixed annually by the Commission <i>except that in Charles County, no pheasant hunting shall be allowed except on pheasant farms presently stocked and allowing pheasant hunting.</i>
Blackbirds and grackles	May be hunted for a period to be fixed annually by the Commission.
Bear	During regular male deer season only, if prescribed by the Commission.