

[(c) For the purpose of establishing, amending, or rescinding the regulations of the Department of Tidewater Fisheries, the chairmen of both the Senate of Maryland and House of Delegates committees on the Chesapeake Bay and tributaries may sit in meetings in an advisory capacity with members of the Tidewater Fisheries Commission.]

[(d)] (b) Such rules and regulations of the departments as are authorized by this article shall not become effective unless they have been publicly advertised in at least two daily newspapers of general circulation and one or more weekly newspaper serving the area or areas involved at least forty-five days before the date on which they become effective. When any fifty (50) citizens of the State shall file a petition with the department not less than fifteen days before the date any rules or regulations become effective, the respective department shall conduct a public hearing on the proposed rules and regulations.

[(e)] (c) No municipality, or other local authority, shall establish any regulations of a local nature not in conformity with State regulations authorized herein.

[(f)] (d) On any proposed regulations affecting the equipment and/or operation of any vessel subject to this article, ~~each~~ *the department shall* SECRETARY OF NATURAL RESOURCES MUST solicit the advice and opinions of the officials of representative boating associations, yacht clubs, and from local, State or federal officials or agencies having knowledge or experience with the subject of the proposed regulations, which shall have representation through an advisory committee to be appointed by the [Department of Tidewater Fisheries and the Game and Inland Fish Commission] *Secretary of Natural Resources.*

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The Department [of Chesapeake Bay Affairs and the Department of Game and Inland Fish jointly] shall provide regulations [for their respective jurisdiction] to govern the following:

(a) Kinds of numbers to be used and how to be displayed on boats; the numbering to conform to the federal numbering system.

(b) Issuance of certificates of title and certificates of boat number.

(c) Instructions for making reports and handling of personnel and boats in cases of accidents.

(d) Providing for abandonment, destruction, sale, or transfer of ownership.

(e) Change of address of owner.

(f) Use of boats from other jurisdictions on Maryland waters.

(g) Issuance of certificates of number for boats using Maryland waters for more than ninety (90) cumulative days within any calendar year. Provided, however, that for the purposes of this subsection where such a vessel is in Maryland between November 1 and April 1 solely for the purpose of wet or dry storage and/or repairs, the length of time that such vessel is in Maryland for such purposes shall not be counted for determining the length of time such vessel is in Maryland.