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(A) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBTITLE, THE LICENSING PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION SHALL APPLY TO THE WATERS OF TALBOT COUNTY.

(B) ANY PERSON DESIRING TO ERECT A STATIONARY BLIND OR BLIND SITE IN THE WATERS OF TALBOT COUNTY FIRST SHALL OBTAIN A LICENSE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE FOLLOWING SCHEDULE OF PRIORITIES:

(1) ANY OWNER OF AT LEAST ~~[[300]]~~ 500 YARDS OF CONTIGUOUS SHORELINE IN TALBOT COUNTY, HIS LESSEE, LICENSEE, OR ASSIGNEE SHALL RECEIVE FIRST PRIORITY TO LICENSE A STATIONARY BLIND OR BLIND SITE IN FRONT OF HIS RIPARIAN PROPERTY IF AN APPLICATION IS MADE BETWEEN JULY 1 AND NOVEMBER 1, INCLUSIVE. AN OWNER SHALL CERTIFY BY WRITTEN APPLICATION THAT HE OWNS THE REQUIRED AMOUNT OF SHORELINE. A LESSEE, LICENSEE, OR ASSIGNEE OF AN OWNER OF 300 YARDS OF CONTIGUOUS YARDS OF SHORELINE SHALL CERTIFY BY WRITTEN APPLICATION THAT HE POSSESSES THE REQUIRED AMOUNT OF SHORELINE.

(2) A LESSEE, LICENSEE, OR ASSIGNEE OF ~~[[300]]~~ 500 YARDS OF CONTIGUOUS SHORELINE OWNED BY MORE THAN ONE PERSON MAY OBTAIN A STATIONARY BLIND OR BLIND SITE LICENSE IF AN APPLICATION IS MADE BETWEEN JULY 1 AND NOVEMBER 1, INCLUSIVE. AN APPLICANT SHALL PRESENT THE WRITTEN CONSENT OF THE OWNERS OF THE SHORELINE.

(3) ALL OWNERS OF RIPARIAN RIGHTS, THEIR LESSEES, LICENSEES OR ASSIGNEES, OWNING LESS THAN 500 CONTIGUOUS YARDS OF SHORELINE SHALL HAVE PRIORITY TO OBTAIN A LICENSE FOR BLIND SITE BETWEEN OCTOBER 11 AND 21 INCLUSIVE OF EACH YEAR, PROVIDED HE COMPLIES WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF WRITTEN CONSENT.

~~[[3]]~~ (4) AFTER NOVEMBER 1, ANY RESIDENT OF TALBOT COUNTY MAY LICENSE A BLIND SITE NO CLOSER THAN ~~[[300]]~~ 500 YARDS OF THE NEAREST LICENSED STATIONARY BLIND OR BLIND SITE.

(C) AFTER NOVEMBER 1, THE CLERK SHALL ISSUE BLIND SITE LICENSES IN ROTATION AS APPLICATIONS ARE RECEIVED. THE DEPARTMENT SHALL INSPECT ANY LICENSED BLIND SITE TO DETERMINE THE VALIDITY OF THE CERTIFICATIONS IN ANY APPLICATION UPON REQUEST OF THE OWNER OF THE SHORELINE PROPERTY. IF THE DEPARTMENT FINDS THAT THE CERTIFICATIONS OF THE APPLICATION ARE ERRONEOUS, IT MAY REVOKE THE LICENSE BY WRITTEN NOTICE TO THE APPLICANT.

(D) ANY PERSON CHOOSING A LOCATION FOR A STATIONARY BLIND OR BLIND SITE PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION SHALL MARK THE POSITION BY ERECTING A STAKE SHOWING THE LICENSEE'S NAME AND NUMBER.

(E) IF ANY LICENSEE ERECTS A STATIONARY BLIND OR BLIND SITE OR SETS A STAKE AND IT IS LOST OR DESTROYED IN ANY MANNER BEYOND HIS CONTROL, HE SHALL NOT LOSE HIS