

(A) NETS IN GENERAL. - A PERSON MAY NOT SET, NOR CONSTRUCT ANY KIND OR DESCRIPTION OF NET IN THE PATUXENT RIVER FROM QUEEN ANNE BRIDGE TO THE MOUTH OF THE RIVER, WITHIN 1,500 FEET IN EVERY DIRECTION FROM ANY OTHER NET, WITHOUT THE PERMISSION OF THE OWNER OF THE OTHER NET. IN ADDITION, A PERSON MAY NOT SET, NOR CONSTRUCT, ANY NET MORE THAN 425 FEET IN LENGTH, INCLUDING THE NET'S LEADERS, HEDGES, OR WINGS, BELOW A STRAIGHT LINE FROM HOLLAND'S CLIFFS ACROSS THE RIVER TO A POINT ON THE SHORE DIRECTLY OPPOSITE HOLLAND'S CLIFFS, OR MORE THAN 150 FEET IN LENGTH INCLUDING THE NET'S LEADERS, HEDGES, OR WINGS, ABOVE THE STRAIGHT LINE FROM HOLLAND'S CLIFFS. THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBSECTION DO NOT APPLY TO FLOATING GILL NETS OR SEINES.

(B) SEINES OR GILL NETS. - A PERSON MAY NOT SET OR HAUL ANY SEINE OR GILL NET IN ANY CREEK, COVE OR TRIBUTARY OF THE PATUXENT RIVER IF THE MOUTH OF THE CREEK OR TRIBUTARY IS LESS THAN 200 FEET WIDE.

(C) DRIFTING GILL NETS. - A PERSON MAY NOT SET OR HAUL ANY DRIFTING GILL NET IN THE PATUXENT RIVER SOUTH OF THE PATUXENT RIVER BRIDGE OR IN ANY CREEK, COVE, OR TRIBUTARY OF THE RIVER SOUTH OF THE PATUXENT RIVER BRIDGE AT ANY TIME.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section presently appears as Article 66C, section 289 of the Code. The present section has been divided into subsections for organization and clarity. The only other changes made are in style.

4-731. SALE, PURCHASE, TRANSPORTATION OF STRIPED BASS OR ROCKFISH.

(A) SELLING AND TRANSPORTING STRIPED BASS OR ROCKFISH. - A PERSON MAY NOT SELL, OFFER FOR SALE, OR TRANSPORT ACROSS A BOUNDARY OF THE STATE ANY STRIPED BASS, COMMONLY KNOWN AS ROCKFISH, CAUGHT FROM THE STATE WATERS OF THE CHESAPEAKE BAY AND ITS TRIBUTARIES UNLESS HE HAS IN HIS POSSESSION ONE OF THE FOLLOWING: (1) A VALID COMMERCIAL FISHING LICENSE ISSUED IN HIS NAME, (2) A DATED BILL OF SALE SIGNED BY THE LICENSED COMMERCIAL FISHERMAN WHO CAUGHT THE FISH, OR (3) A DATED BILL OF SALE SIGNED BY A DEALER OR WHOLESALER FROM WHOM THE FISH WERE PURCHASED. HOWEVER, A NON-RESIDENT OF THE STATE WHO HAS CAUGHT STRIPED BASS FROM STATE WATERS BY HOOK AND LINE MAY TRANSPORT ACROSS A BOUNDARY OF THE STATE NOT MORE THAN 100