

~~(E) -- THOSE -- BIRDS -- NOT -- INTENDED -- AS -- HOUSEHOLD -- PETS -- AND WHICH -- ARE -- REGULATED -- BY -- THE -- PROGRAMS -- OF -- THE -- MARYLAND DEPARTMENT -- OF -- AGRICULTURE -- OR -- THE -- MARYLAND DEPARTMENT -- OF NATURAL RESOURCES -- ARE -- EXEMPTED -- FROM -- THIS -- SECTION.~~

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(A) IN THIS SECTION, THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.

(1) "EXOTIC BIRD" MEANS AN AVIAN SPECIES THAT IS NOT NATIVE TO MARYLAND.

(2) "PERMIT" MEANS A PERMIT THAT ALLOWS A PERSON TO ENGAGE IN ACTIVITIES DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (C) OF THIS SECTION.

(3) "PERMIT HOLDER" MEANS ANY PERSON WHO OBTAINS A PERMIT REQUIRED BY SUBSECTION (C) OF THIS SECTION.

(B) THE PROVISIONS OF SUBSECTION (C) OF THIS SECTION DO NOT APPLY TO:

(1) ANY PERSON WHO LEGALLY ACQUIRES AND KEEPS ANY BIRD AS A HOUSEHOLD PET; OR

(2) ANY BIRD REGULATED BY ANY PROGRAM OF THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES.

(C) A PERSON MAY NOT IMPORT, OFFER FOR SALE, SELL, BARTER, GIVE AWAY, BREED, OR OTHERWISE DISTRIBUTE WITHIN THIS STATE, ANY EXOTIC BIRD, WITHOUT FIRST OBTAINING A PERMIT FROM THE SECRETARY OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE.

(D) A PERMIT HOLDER SHALL:

(1) OBTAIN AN ANNUAL PERMIT FOR EACH FACILITY WHERE EXOTIC BIRDS ARE KEPT;

(2) DISPLAY THE PERMIT IN A CONSPICUOUS PLACE ON HIS PREMISES;

(3) MAINTAIN THE PREMISES IN A SANITARY CONDITION; AND

(4) SUBJECT HIS PREMISES TO INSPECTION BY REPRESENTATIVES OF THE SECRETARY OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE.

(E) A PERMIT HOLDER SHALL KEEP A RECORD, COVERING ANY EXOTIC BIRD RECEIVED OR DISPOSED OF BY THAT PERSON OR AGENT OF THAT PERSON, LISTING THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION ON A FORM APPROVED BY THE SECRETARY OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE:

(1) AT THE TIME A BIRD IS RECEIVED;