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(a) In addition to the regular hunter's license, a person hunting deer [or turkey] in the State first shall obtain a [big game] DEER stamp.

(b) A [big game] DEER stamp is not required of the following:

(1) The owner or tenant of farmland, his spouse and children, or the spouse of any child who resides on the farmland. A tenant is a person holding land under a lease, or a sharecropper who resides in a dwelling on the land, but it does not include any employee of the owner or tenant; and

(2) Any resident serving in the Armed Forces of the United States while on leave in the State, during his leave period, if, while hunting, he possesses a copy of his official leave order.

(c) A person may obtain a deer stamp for a fee of \$5.50 from the clerk of the circuit court of any county, or the clerk of the Court of Common Pleas of Baltimore City, or from any person designated by the Department. A resident 65 years of age or over shall pay \$1 for a deer stamp. The issuing clerk or person designated shall retain the sum of 10 cents as compensation for issuing each stamp. The balance of the fee is paid over and accounted for in the same manner as hunter's licenses.

(d) The court clerk or designated person shall write or stamp the date of issuance on the face of every [big game] DEER stamp issued pursuant to this section. Each stamp shall be affixed adhesively to the back of the regular season hunter's license of the person to whom the stamp is issued. The recipient shall sign the stamp in ink.

(e) Unless expressly exempted under this section, the residents of any county in this State shall receive first consideration for 75 percent of the antlerless deer permits to hunt in the county of residence, and a State resident shall receive first consideration for this permit over any nonresident of the State for the remainder of the permits to be issued.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1982.

Approved April 13, 1982.
