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(a) A police officer may arrest without a warrant any person who commits, or attempts to commit, any felony or misdemeanor in the presence of, or within the view of, such officer.

(b) A police officer may, when he has probable cause to believe that a felony or misdemeanor is being committed in his presence or within his view, arrest without a warrant any person whom he may reasonably believe to have committed such offense.

(c) A police officer may arrest a person without a warrant if he has probable cause to believe that a felony has been committed or attempted and that such person has committed or attempted to commit a felony whether or not in his presence or view.

(d) A police officer may arrest a person without a warrant if he has probable cause to believe:

(1) That an offense listed in subsection (e) of this section has been committed, and

(2) That the person has committed the offense, and

(3) That unless the person is immediately arrested,

(i) He may not be apprehended, or

(ii) He may cause injury to the person or damage to the property of one or more other persons, or

(iii) He may tamper with, dispose of, or destroy evidence.

(f) For purposes of this section, the term "police officer" means any person who, in his official capacity, is authorized by law to make arrests and who is:

(1) A member of the Maryland State Police; or

(2) A member of the Baltimore City police department; or

(3) A member of the police department, bureau, or force of any county; or

(4) A member of the police department, bureau or force of any incorporated city or town, except Baltimore City, which is a "qualifying municipality," as defined in § 37(a)(7) and § 39 of Article 15A of this Code; or