

Article – Natural Resources

Section 10–301(a) and (b)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2000 Replacement Volume and 2004 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

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Section 10–301(f) and (g)

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SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

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10–301.

(a) To provide a fund to pay the expense of protecting and managing wildlife, and preventing unauthorized persons from hunting them, a person may not hunt or attempt to hunt during open season and in any permitted manner any game birds and mammals in the State without first having procured either a resident or nonresident hunter's license. A person may not hunt or attempt to hunt nongame birds and mammals in Baltimore County or Frederick County without first obtaining a license. A permanent resident of a government reservation may obtain a resident hunter's license.

(b) The following persons are not required to obtain a hunter's license or bonus antlered deer stamp:

(1) With respect to hunting on farmland only:

(i) The resident owner of the farmland and the owner's spouse, children, and children's spouse;

(ii) A tenant and the tenant's spouse, children, and, if residing on the farmland, children's spouse. A tenant is a person holding land under a lease, or a sharecropper who resides in a dwelling on the land, but a tenant does not include any employee of the owner or tenant; and

(iii) A nonresident owner of a parcel of farmland and the owner's spouse, children, and children's spouse if:

1. The parcel of farmland is located in Maryland and an adjacent state;
2. The owner's primary residence is on the parcel of farmland; and
3. The adjacent state extends similar privileges to a resident of Maryland;