

Article - Natural Resources

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(b) The Secretary may commission any employee of the Department as a [law enforcement officer] FOREST, PARK, AND WILDLIFE RANGER. An employee so commissioned and assigned law enforcement duties has and may exercise the powers of a Natural Resources police officer or a law enforcement officer of the State. -f-These powers may be exercised upon:

(1) Properties owned by the State and managed by the Department;

(2) Railroad rights-of-way and utility properties which are not owned by the State, but which traverse properties owned by the State and managed by the Department;

(3) All ~~roadways~~ PUBLIC AND PRIVATE PROPERTIES which are within the boundaries of State properties managed by the Department; and

(4) All waters of the State within one mile of the shoreline of all properties owned by the Department; ~~;-f-~~

(5) ALL PUBLIC AND PRIVATE PROPERTY ADJOINING PROPERTY OWNED BY THE STATE AND MANAGED BY THE DEPARTMENT;

(6) ALL PARK PROPERTY IN MARYLAND OWNED BY THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT; AND

(7) ANY PROPERTY IN MARYLAND FOR THE PURPOSE OF EXECUTING A WARRANT THAT HAS RESULTED FROM LAW ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITIES ON PROPERTY ON WHICH A FOREST, PARK, AND WILDLIFE RANGER MAY EXERCISE LAW ENFORCEMENT POWERS.

(D) UNLESS THE DEPARTMENT HAS A SIGNED MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THE LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY WITH PRIMARY JURISDICTION OVER THE PROPERTY, A FOREST, PARK, AND WILDLIFE RANGER MAY NOT EXERCISE LAW ENFORCEMENT POWERS UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF SUBSECTION (B)(3) AND (5) OF THIS SECTION.