

(ii) "Emergency" means a sudden or unexpected happening or an unforeseen combination of circumstances that calls for immediate action to protect the health, safety, welfare, or property of an individual from actual or threatened harm or from an unlawful act.

(iii) "Federal law enforcement officer" means an officer who is empowered to effect an arrest with or without a warrant for violations of the United States Code and who is authorized to carry firearms in the performance of the officer's duties.

(2) Subject to the limitations provided in paragraph (3) of this subsection, a federal law enforcement officer is granted:

(i) The powers of arrest as set forth in this section; and

(ii) The power to execute arrest and search and seizure warrants issued under the laws of this State.

(3) A federal law enforcement officer may exercise the powers granted in this subsection if:

(i) The officer is participating in a joint investigation with officials from any State or local law enforcement agency;

(ii) The officer is rendering assistance to a police officer;

(iii) The officer is acting at the request of a local police officer or a State Police officer; or

(iv) An emergency exists.

(4) When acting under the authority granted in this subsection, the following notifications of an investigation or enforcement action shall be made:

(i) 1. When in an incorporated municipality, to the chief of police, if any, or the chief's designee;

2. When in a county which has a county police department, to the chief of police or the chief's designee;

3. When in a county without a police department, to the sheriff or the sheriff's designee;

4. When in Baltimore City, to the Police Commissioner or the Police Commissioner's designee;

5. When on any property owned, leased, operated by, or under the control of the Department of Natural Resources, to the Secretary of Natural Resources or the Secretary's designee; or

6. When on any property owned, leased, or operated by or under the control of the Maryland Transportation Authority or the Maryland Port Administration, to the respective chief of police or the chief's designee; and