

WATERFOWL BLINDS, IN EACH COUNTY OF THE STATE WHERE WILD WATERFOWL ARE ADEQUATE AND HUNTING IS ALLOWED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL LOCATE AND CONSTRUCT BLINDS ON PUBLIC LANDS UNDER THE DEPARTMENT'S CONTROL AND MAKE THE BLINDS AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC USE.

(2) THE DEPARTMENT MAY ALLOW THE HUNTING OF WILD WATERFOWL FROM A BOAT THAT IS DRIFTING OR ANCHORED OR WHILE STANDING IN THE WATER ON THE NATURAL BOTTOM IN WATERS ADJACENT TO LANDS OWNED OR MANAGED BY THE DEPARTMENT.

(3) EXCEPT FOR THE PURPOSE OF ANIMAL CONTROL, THE DEPARTMENT MAY NOT ALLOW WATERFOWL HUNTING ON PUBLIC LAND UNDER THIS SECTION UNLESS THE PUBLIC LAND IS OPEN TO PUBLIC HUNTING.

(B) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ENCOURAGE LOCAL AND FEDERAL GOVERNMENT TO MAKE OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE FOR THE PUBLIC TO HUNT WATERFOWL FROM BLINDS LOCATED ON PUBLIC LANDS UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE LOCAL OR FEDERAL GOVERNMENT BY:

(1) ENTERING INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE LOCAL OR FEDERAL GOVERNMENT TO CONSTRUCT THE BLINDS AND MANAGE THEIR USE; OR

(2) ADVISING THE LOCAL OR FEDERAL GOVERNMENT ON THE PROPER CONSTRUCTION, LOCATION, AND MANAGEMENT OF BLINDS TO BE USED BY THE PUBLIC FOR HUNTING WILD WATERFOWL.

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ANY PERSON HUNTING WILD WATERFOWL FROM A STATIONARY BLIND OR BLIND SITE SHALL POSSESS A HUNTER'S LICENSE.

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~~(e) (1) [In Kent and Queen Anne's Counties only a riparian owner owning the required amount of shoreline, or the owner's lessee, licensee, or assignee, may erect and maintain a stationary blind or blind site.~~

~~(2) [A resident who applies for a license for a stationary blind or blind site in the water adjacent to Bloodsworth Island in Dorchester County is not required to obtain permission from the riparian owner notwithstanding any other provision of this section.~~

~~[(3)] (2) In Anne Arundel County, the County is exempt from any registration requirement of this subtitle, including the payment of fees, for any off-shore stationary blind that the County has registered in previous years or will register in the future for any waterfront public property owned by the County and located in the County. To comply with the provisions of this subtitle, the Anne Arundel County Department of Recreation and Parks need only notify the clerk of the court in Anne Arundel County and the Department that the waterfront public property is unavailable for public registration.~~

~~[(4)] (3) In Prince George's County, the Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commission is exempt from any registration requirement of this~~