

riparian owner, that the owner desires to erect a blind site, and that there is no previously licensed stationary blind or blind site within the distance prohibited by § 10-617 of this subtitle.

(4) Any other resident applying after August 14 shall certify that the resident is a resident of the State, that the resident desires to erect a blind site, and that there is no previously licensed stationary blind or blind site within the distance prohibited by § 10-617 of this subtitle.

(d) (1) A stationary blind or blind site license may be obtained from the clerk of the circuit court of the county within whose jurisdiction the stationary blind or blind site lies.

(2) Application shall be made on forms, furnished by the Secretary to the clerks of courts, which provide for the location of the blind and the name of the riparian owner. A person may apply by mail.

(3) The number of stationary blind and blind site licenses that the clerk shall issue to any resident nonowner during 1 day is limited to no more than two.

(4) The clerk shall issue the license upon payment of a \$11.00 fee. The clerk shall retain \$1.00 to cover issuing costs.

(5) The Department shall provide each participating county with maps designed for public display and indication of the geographic locations of each purchased site.

(e) The license shall bear the Secretary's signature and be countersigned by the issuing clerk. The clerk also shall fill in the name and address of the licensee and the location of the blind on the attached stub and mail the stub to the Secretary.

(f) The clerk shall issue blind site licenses to:

(1) Riparian owners having less than the required amount of shoreline;
and

(2) Any other State resident in the order in which applications are received.

(g) The license shall expire June 30 after the date of issuance.

(h) (1) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this subtitle, the licensing provisions of this section apply to the waters of Talbot County.

(2) Any person desiring to erect a stationary blind or blind site in the waters of Talbot County first shall obtain a license in accordance with the following schedule of priorities:

(i) Any owner of at least 500 yards of contiguous shoreline in Talbot County, or the owner's lessee, licensee, or assignee shall receive first priority to license a stationary blind or blind site in front of the owner's, lessee's, licensee's, or assignee's riparian property if an application is made between July 1 and November 1, inclusive. An owner shall certify by written application that the owner owns the