

Defined terms: "Animal" § 10-601

"Cruelty" § 10-601

"Person" § 1-101

10-608. SAME — COCKFIGHT.

(A) PROHIBITED.

A PERSON MAY NOT USE OR ALLOW THE USE OF A FOWL, COCK, OR OTHER BIRD TO FIGHT WITH ANOTHER ANIMAL.

(B) PENALTY.

(1) A PERSON WHO VIOLATES THIS SECTION IS GUILTY OF THE FELONY OF AGGRAVATED CRUELTY TO ANIMALS AND ON CONVICTION IS SUBJECT TO IMPRISONMENT NOT EXCEEDING 3 YEARS OR A FINE NOT EXCEEDING \$5,000 OR BOTH.

(2) AS A CONDITION OF SENTENCING, THE COURT MAY ORDER A DEFENDANT CONVICTED OF VIOLATING THIS SECTION TO PARTICIPATE IN AND PAY FOR PSYCHOLOGICAL COUNSELING.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 27, § 59(c)(1)(iv) and (2).

In subsection (a) of this section, the former phrase "commonly known as cockfighting" is deleted as unnecessary.

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10-609. ARREST BY HUMANE SOCIETY OFFICER.

(A) IN GENERAL.

EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION, IF AN OFFICER OF A HUMANE SOCIETY SEES A PERSON COMMITTING A MISDEMEANOR THAT INVOLVES CRUELTY TO AN ANIMAL, THE OFFICER SHALL ARREST AND BRING BEFORE THE DISTRICT COURT THE PERSON COMMITTING THE MISDEMEANOR.

(B) LOCAL ENFORCEMENT — BALTIMORE COUNTY.

IN BALTIMORE COUNTY, THE BALTIMORE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, DIVISION OF ANIMAL CONTROL SHALL ENFORCE THIS SECTION.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 27, § 63.

In subsection (a) of this section, the former reference to a "commissioner" is deleted as included in the reference to the "District Court".

In subsection (b) of this section, the reference to the Baltimore County "Department of Health, Division of Animal Control" is substituted for the