

generally relating to water systems under the St. Mary's County Metropolitan Commission.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
The Public Local Laws of St. Mary's County  
Section 113-21

Article 19 – Public Local Laws of Maryland  
(1978 Edition and August, 1991 Supplement, as amended)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

**Article 19 – St. Mary's County**

113-21.

A. Unless otherwise provided, any act or omission designated as a misdemeanor in the chapter is punishable by a fine of not more than [one hundred dollars (\$100.)] \$100 or to confinement for not more than [thirty (30)] 30 days in the county jail, or both. Where this act or omission is of a continuing nature and persists in violation of the provisions of this chapter or of any rule or regulation promulgated under this chapter, a conviction for [one (1)] 1 offense is not a bar to a conviction for a continuation of the offense subsequent to the first or any succeeding conviction.

B. (1) The St. Mary's County Metropolitan Commission may designate any violation of this chapter as a civil infraction, which shall be enforced as provided in this subsection.

(2) A Metropolitan Commission employee with the duty of enforcing this chapter may deliver a citation to a person believed to be committing a violation. A copy of the citation shall be retained by the Metropolitan Commission employee and shall bear a certification attesting to the truth of the matters set forth. The citation shall contain:

- (a) The name and address of the person charged;
- (b) The nature of the violation;
- (c) The place and time of the violation;
- (d) The amount of the fine assessed;
- (e) The manner, location, and time in which the fine may be paid; and
- (f) The person's right to elect to stand trial for the violation.

(3) [A] EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (4) OF THIS SUBSECTION, A preset fine, not to exceed \$100, may be imposed for each violation. The Metropolitan [Commissioners] COMMISSION may establish a schedule of fines for each violation and may adopt procedures for collection of these fines.