

Article - Natural Resources**Section 4-1207****Annotated Code of Maryland****(1997 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)**

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Natural Resources**Section 10-1108****Annotated Code of Maryland****(1990 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)**

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

Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments

[576.

Any person who enters or trespasses on any property which is posted against trespassers in a conspicuous manner or in accordance with the provisions of § 576A of this subheading is guilty of a misdemeanor and on conviction is subject to a fine not exceeding \$500, or imprisonment not exceeding three months, or both. The prosecution of such offenders shall be made and proceedings instituted by the landowner or tenant of the property unlawfully entered. Any person who is convicted of violating the provisions of this section and who carried any firearm or bow and arrow at the time of the violation shall have the person's hunting license revoked for one year immediately on conviction. Any person who is convicted of violating the provisions of this section and was carrying a fishing rod or net at the time of the violation shall have any fishing license revoked for one year immediately on conviction. If the person does not hold a license, the person may not be issued the appropriate license until one year after any conviction under the provisions of this section.]

[576A.

(a) In order to institute proceedings for trespassing under § 576 of this subheading, the owner or tenant of any private property shall have posted the property against unlawful entry or trespass by placing:

(1) Signs where they may reasonably be seen; or

(2) Identifying paint marks on trees or posts at each road entrance and adjacent to public roadways, public waterways, and any other lands adjoining the property.

(b) A paint mark under subsection (a)(2) of this section shall:

(1) Be a vertical line at least two inches in width and at least eight inches in length;