

SENATE BILL 390

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ENROLLED BILL

— *Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs/Environment and Transportation* —

Introduced by **Senators Bailey, Carozza, Eckardt, Edwards, Hershey, Hough, Ready, Salling, and Serafini**

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Sealed with the Great Seal and presented to the Governor, for his approval this

_____ day of _____ at _____ o'clock, _____ M.

President.

CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Natural Resources – Sunday Hunting – ~~Deer~~ St. Mary's County**

3 FOR the purpose of authorizing the Department of Natural Resources to allow a person to
4 hunt ~~deer on a Sunday throughout the deer hunting season on public land designated~~
5 ~~by the Department or private property, subject to certain requirements and~~
6 ~~limitations;~~ game birds or mammals on a Sunday during the open season for that
7 game bird or mammal on private property or certain public land in St. Mary's County
8 under certain circumstances; and generally relating to Sunday ~~deer~~ hunting in St.
9 Mary's County.

10 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

11 Article – Natural Resources

12 Section 10-410(a)

13 Annotated Code of Maryland

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.

Italics indicate opposite chamber/conference committee amendments.



(2012 Replacement Volume and 2018 Supplement)

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

Article – Natural Resources

10–410.

(a) (1) Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, a person may not hunt any game bird or mammal on Sundays.

(2) The following persons may hunt the specified game birds and mammals on Sundays:

(i) A person using State certified raptors to hunt game birds or mammals during open season;

(ii) An unarmed person participating in an organized fox chase to chase foxes;

(iii) Provided that the provisions of § 10–906(b)(3) of this title are met, a person:

1. Using a regulated shooting ground under § 10–906 of this title to hunt the following pen-reared game birds:

A. Pheasants;

B. Bobwhite quail;

C. Chukar partridge;

D. Hungarian partridge;

E. Tower released flighted mallard ducks; and

F. Turkey on a regulated shooting ground that was permitted to release turkey before September 1, 1992; and

2. Having the written permission of the owner of the land or other person designated by the owner of the land, if the land is owned or leased by a person other than the person hunting on Sundays;

(iv) Subject to the provisions of § 10–411 of this subtitle, in Calvert, Caroline, Carroll, Charles, Dorchester, Harford, Queen Anne's, ~~St. Mary's~~, Somerset, Talbot, Wicomico, and Worcester counties, a person hunting deer on private property with

1 a bow and arrow or crossbow during open season on the last three Sundays in October and
2 the second Sunday in November;

3 (v) In Calvert County, Caroline County, Carroll County, Charles
4 County, Dorchester County, AND Kent County, ~~and St. Mary's County~~, a person hunting
5 turkey on private property on any Sunday during the spring turkey hunting season;

6 (vi) In Dorchester County, a person hunting turkey on public land
7 that is designated for hunting by the Department on any Sunday during the spring turkey
8 hunting season; and

9 (vii) A person hunting deer under a Deer Management Permit on any
10 Sunday throughout the year, including all deer hunting seasons.

11 (3) Subject to the provisions of § 10–415 of this subtitle, in Calvert County,
12 Caroline County, Charles County, Harford County, Queen Anne's County, ~~St. Mary's~~
13 ~~County~~, Somerset County, and Worcester County, a person may hunt deer on private
14 property on:

15 (i) The first Sunday of the bow hunting season in November; and

16 (ii) Each Sunday in the deer firearms season.

17 (4) Provided that the provisions of § 10–415 of this subtitle are met and
18 subject to paragraph (5) of this subsection, the Department may allow a person to hunt deer
19 on private property on the first Sunday of:

20 (i) The bow hunting season in November; and

21 (ii) The deer firearms season.

22 (5) Subject to paragraphs (10) and (11) of this subsection, the Sunday deer
23 hunting provisions under paragraph (4) of this subsection do not apply:

24 (i) In Baltimore, Howard, Kent, Montgomery, and Prince George's
25 counties; and

26 (ii) In Baltimore City.

27 (6) (i) This paragraph applies only in Carroll County.

28 (ii) Subject to §§ 10–411 and 10–415 of this subtitle, the Department
29 may allow a person to hunt deer on a Sunday on private property from the first Sunday in
30 October through the second Sunday in January of the following year, inclusive.

1 (7) A person who is 16 years of age or younger may hunt deer with a firearm
2 on a Sunday through participation in the junior deer hunt established under § 10–405(a) of
3 this subtitle.

4 (8) (i) This paragraph applies only in Allegany County, Garrett County,
5 ~~ST. MARY'S COUNTY,~~ and Washington County.

6 (ii) The Department may allow a person to hunt any game bird or
7 game mammal, except migratory game birds and wetland game birds, on a Sunday during
8 the open season for that game bird or game mammal on:

- 9 1. Private property, subject to § 10–411 of this subtitle; and
10 2. Public land that is designated for Sunday hunting by the
11 Department.

12 (9) (i) This paragraph applies only in Frederick County.

13 (ii) Subject to § 10–415 of this subtitle, the Department may allow a
14 person to hunt deer on a Sunday from the first Sunday in October through the second
15 Sunday in January of the following year, inclusive, on:

- 16 1. Private property, subject to § 10–411 of this subtitle; and
17 2. Public land that is designated for Sunday hunting by the
18 Department.

19 (10) (i) This paragraph applies only in Kent County.

20 (ii) Subject to §§ 10–411 and 10–415 of this subtitle and
21 subparagraph (iii) of this paragraph, the Department may allow a person to hunt deer on
22 a Sunday on private property throughout all deer hunting seasons.

23 (iii) 1. Except as provided in subsubparagraph 2 of this
24 subparagraph, during firearms season, the Department may allow a person to hunt deer
25 on a Sunday only from 30 minutes before sunrise until 10:30 a.m.

26 2. The time restrictions under this subparagraph do not
27 apply:

28 A. To a participant in the junior deer hunt under § 10–405(a)
29 of this subtitle; and

30 B. On private land only on one Sunday designated by the
31 Department during the firearms season.

32 (11) (i) This paragraph applies only in Montgomery County.

1 (ii) Subject to § 10–415 of this subtitle, the Department may allow a
 2 person to hunt deer on a Sunday throughout the deer hunting season on private property,
 3 subject to § 10–411 of this subtitle.

4 (iii) 1. Except as provided in subsubparagraph 2 of this
 5 subparagraph, the Department may allow a person to hunt deer on a Sunday under this
 6 paragraph only from 30 minutes before sunrise until 10:30 a.m.

7 2. The time restrictions under this subparagraph do not
 8 apply:

9 A. To a participant in the junior deer hunt under § 10–405(a)
 10 of this subtitle;

11 B. On private land only on one Sunday designated by the
 12 Department during deer bow hunting season; and

13 C. On private land only on one Sunday designated by the
 14 Department during the firearms season.

15 **(12) (I) THIS PARAGRAPH APPLIES ONLY IN ST. MARY’S COUNTY.**

16 **(II) THE DEPARTMENT MAY ALLOW A PERSON TO HUNT ANY**
 17 **GAME BIRD OR GAME MAMMAL, EXCEPT MIGRATORY GAME BIRDS, ON A SUNDAY**
 18 **DURING THE OPEN SEASON FOR THAT GAME BIRD OR GAME MAMMAL ON:**

19 **1. EXCEPT IN STATE PARKS, PUBLIC LAND DESIGNATED**
 20 **BY THE DEPARTMENT; OR**

21 **2. PRIVATE PROPERTY, SUBJECT TO § 10–411 OF THIS**
 22 **SUBTITLE.**

23 ~~**(12) SUBJECT TO THE REQUIREMENTS AND LIMITATIONS OTHERWISE**~~
 24 ~~**PROVIDED IN THIS SUBSECTION, THE DEPARTMENT MAY ALLOW A PERSON TO HUNT**~~
 25 ~~**DEER ON A SUNDAY THROUGHOUT THE DEER HUNTING SEASON ON PUBLIC LAND**~~
 26 ~~**DESIGNATED BY THE DEPARTMENT OR PRIVATE PROPERTY.**~~

27 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July
 28 1, 2019.