

Chapter 618

(House Bill 543)

AN ACT concerning

Carroll County – Deer Hunting – Sundays

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Department of Natural Resources to allow a person to hunt deer on private property on certain Sundays in Carroll County and subject to certain provisions of law; and generally relating to the regulation of deer hunting by the Department of Natural Resources.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Natural Resources
Section 10–410(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2012 Replacement Volume)

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 provided in paragraphs (2), (3), (4), [and] (6), AND (7) of 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 Allegany, Calvert, Caroline, Carroll, Charles, Dorchester, Frederick, Garrett, Harford, St. Mary’s, Somerset, Talbot, Washington, Wicomico, and Worcester counties, a person hunting deer on private property with a bow and arrow or crossbow during open season on the last three Sundays in October and the second Sunday in November;

(v) Except on Easter Sunday, in Allegany County and Garrett County, a person hunting turkey on the last Sunday in April and the first Sunday in May; and

(vi) In Calvert County, Caroline County, Charles County, Dorchester County, and St. Mary’s County, a person hunting turkey on private property on any Sunday during the spring turkey hunting season.

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

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

and

(ii) Each Sunday in the deer firearms season.

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

(i) The bow hunting season in November; and

(ii) The deer firearms season.

(5) The Sunday deer hunting provisions under paragraph (4) of this subsection do not apply:

(i) In Baltimore, Howard, and Prince George's counties; and

(ii) In Baltimore City.

(6) (I) THIS PARAGRAPH APPLIES ONLY IN CARROLL COUNTY.

(II) SUBJECT TO §§ 10-411 AND 10-415 OF THIS SUBTITLE, THE DEPARTMENT MAY ALLOW A PERSON TO HUNT DEER ON A SUNDAY ON PRIVATE PROPERTY FROM THE FIRST SUNDAY IN OCTOBER THROUGH THE SECOND SUNDAY IN JANUARY OF THE FOLLOWING YEAR, INCLUSIVE.

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

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2013.

Approved by the Governor, May 16, 2013.