

for vessels and vehicles used in purchasing oysters; and generally relating to the oyster dealer's license.

BY repealing

Article - Natural Resources
Section 4-1016
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1974 Volume and 1976 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Natural Resources
Section 4-1017
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1974 Volume and 1976 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That Section 4-1016 of Article - Natural Resources, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1974 Volume and 1976 Supplement) be and it is hereby repealed:

Article - Natural Resources

[4-1016.

(a) Any person engaging in the business of buying oysters from a person who catches oysters from natural oyster bars in the State shall secure from the Department an oyster buyer's license. The annual license fee is \$50. Every person who applies for a license shall prove he owns each boat, vessel, or vehicle used in the business of buying from any person catching oysters from natural oyster bars in the State.

(b) Every boat, vessel, or vehicle used by a licensed oyster buyer in purchasing oysters shall be licensed annually at a fee of \$5 for each boat, vessel, or vehicle. Proof of ownership of the boat, vessel, or vehicle is required. The Department shall issue a plate or tag carrying the license number for each boat, vessel, or vehicle license and it shall be attached securely to the boat, vessel, or vehicle for which it is issued. The fee is \$1 to replace any license tag issued pursuant to the provisions of this section.

(c) The license provided by this section is valid from September 1 of the issuing year to August 31 of the succeeding year, inclusive. The license required by this section is in addition to any other license required by the provisions of this subtitle.

(d) Any person who purchases less than 25 bushels of oysters during any license year is not required to obtain a license for himself or any boat, vessel, or