

# HOUSE BILL 840

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## CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Washington County - Deer Hunting on Private Property - Sundays**

3 FOR the purpose of authorizing a person in Washington County to hunt deer on  
4 certain Sundays on private property with a bow and arrow during certain  
5 months; and generally relating to hunting on private property on Sundays.

6 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
7 Article - Natural Resources  
8 Section 10-410(a)(1)  
9 Annotated Code of Maryland  
10 (2007 Replacement Volume)

11 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
12 Article - Natural Resources  
13 Section 10-410(a)(2)  
14 Annotated Code of Maryland  
15 (2007 Replacement Volume)

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

18 **Article - Natural Resources**

19 10-410.

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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.



1 (a) (1) Except as provided in paragraphs (2) and (3) of this subsection, a  
2 person may not hunt any game bird or mammal on Sundays.

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

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

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

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

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

13 A. Pheasants;

14 B. Bobwhite quail;

15 C. Chukar partridge;

16 D. Hungarian partridge;

17 E. Tower released flighted mallard ducks; and

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

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

23 (iv) Subject to the provisions of § 10–411 of this subtitle, in  
24 Dorchester, St. Mary's, Somerset, **WASHINGTON**, Wicomico, and Worcester counties, a  
25 person hunting deer on private property with a bow and arrow during open season on  
26 the last three Sundays in October and the second Sunday in November.

27 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
28 October 1, 2008.