

Waterfowl Nesting Season Laws

Dear DPOA & Marina Members

As migratory bird nesting season in Maryland gets under way, we feel it is appropriate to remind everyone that it is a Federal offense to disrupt or remove or possess migratory bird nests while eggs or young are present. Information on laws that protect these birds may be found at:

<https://www.fws.gov/birds/policies-and-regulations/laws-legislations.php>

The list of protected birds is extensive and specifically includes Ospreys, Eagles, Herons, Swans, Geese and most Ducks. A complete list of protected birds may be found at:

<https://www.fws.gov/birds/management/managed-species/migratory-bird-treaty-act-protected-species.php#alphabetical>

Here is a brief layman's summary of do's and don'ts regarding Osprey nesting : <https://fws.gov/chesapeakebay/osprey.html>

Please be considerate of our wildlife and be compliant with the LAW.