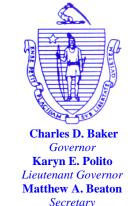


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Reminder: State Waters Sea Scallop Trip Limit and Shucking in State Waters by Federal Permit Holders

This advisory serves as a reminder that the state adopted a sea scallop trip limit in 2013. The trip limit allows for the harvest, possession and landing of 200 pounds of sea scallop meats or 2,000 pounds of in-shell sea scallops in state waters. Federal sea scallop permit holders are exempt from this limit provided they directly transit through state waters with gear stowed. Exempted federal sea scallop permit holders are not authorized to stop in state waters prior to landing. Accordingly, federal permitted vessels coming into state waters to shuck sea scallops is prohibited and will be enforced. To view an unofficial copy of the state's sea scallop regulations please view 322 CMR 6.05.

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