



David E. Pierce  
Director

# Commonwealth of Massachusetts

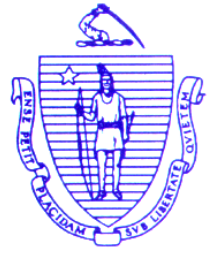
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June 19, 2019

To the selectmen and mayors of the following municipalities:

Boston, Hull, Cohasset, Scituate, Marshfield, Duxbury and Plymouth

Ladies & Gentlemen:

The Division of Marine Fisheries has determined that shellfish from the below-defined areas contain **Paralytic Shellfish Poison** toxin (also known as "Red Tide") from the dinoflagellate *Alexandrium sp.*

Therefore, under authority of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 130, Section 74A and 75, the status of the below-defined areas has been changed to **CLOSED TO THE TAKING OF BIVALVE SHELLFISH AND CARNIVEROUS SNAILS, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE ADDUCTOR MUSCLE OF THE SEA SCALLOP effective at 2:00 p.m. today June 19, 2019.** Digging, harvesting or collecting and/or attempting to dig, harvest or collect shellfish and the possession of shellfish, including carnivorous snails, from the below-defined areas is prohibited.

Under authority of 322 CMR 7.01(7) all permits issued thereunder are hereby conditioned to prohibit the taking, selling or possession of shellfish from the below-defined areas.

### **AREAS CLOSED TO THE HARVEST OF ALL BI-VALVE SHELLFISH AND CARNIVEROUS SNAILS with the exception of the sea scallop adductor muscle**

#### **MB:1 – MB:14**

The waters, flats and tributaries in shellfish growing areas MB1, MB2, MB3, MB4, MB5, MB6, MB7, MB8, MB9, MB10, MB11, MB12, MB13, and MB14 in the towns of Hull, Cohasset, Scituate, Marshfield, Duxbury and Plymouth, the City of Boston and marine waters managed by the Commonwealth.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "David E. Pierce". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "David" and last name "Pierce" clearly legible.

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David E. Pierce  
Director

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