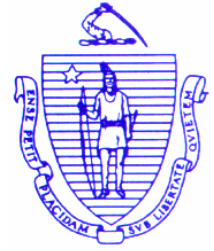




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Ladies & Gentlemen:

The Division of Marine Fisheries has determined that shellfish, **except for Ocean quahogs (*Arctica islandica*) whole Sea scallops (*Placopecten magellanicus*) in the shell or roe-on, and carnivorous snails, channeled and knobbed whelks, and moon snails (*Lunatia heros*) and (*Polinices duplicatus*)**, from the below-defined area **no longer contains biotoxins (PSP)** from the phytoplankton *Alexandrium* (spp) in excess of established standards.

Therefore, under authority of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 130, Section 74A, 75 and 322 CMR 7.01 (7) **at sunrise on August 19, 2005**, the PSP closure of May 20, 2005 will be amended as follows in the below-defined area. This area is classified as **PROHIBITED** and in the "closed" status to shellfish harvesting for direct human consumption. Digging, harvesting or collecting and/or attempting to dig, harvest or collect shellfish and the possession of shellfish from the below defined area is prohibited **except for the harvest of Surf clams (*Spisula solidissima*) for bait purposes only**.

CLASSIFICATION: PROHIBITED
Status: Closed to Shellfishing Except for
Surf Clams for Bait

"The waters of Massachusetts Bay in the Town of Hull north of the Hull/Cohasset line; south of a line drawn due east from Point Allerton, and, west of the offshore town/county line."

Sincerely,

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