



# The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

## Division of Marine Fisheries

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July 16, 2025

Town of Scituate Selectboard  
Town Hall  
Scituate, MA 02066

Dear Scituate Selectboard:

In accordance with Chapter 130, Section 74A of the Massachusetts General Laws, the Division of Marine Fisheries has determined that the shellfish areas listed below in the town of Scituate, closed at 4:30 p.m. on July 10, 2025, due to heavy rain, now meet the established criteria for a status of "Open to Shellfishing", with the exception of the Southern Portion of Egypt Beach in MB8 which was closed on May 24, 2024, until further notice, as defined below.

Therefore, under authority of MGL, Chapter 130, Sections 74A and 322 CMR 7.01 (7) the below-defined areas will revert to their former status prior to the closure issued on July 10, or in the case of "CONDITIONALLY APPROVED" areas, acquire the status dictated by its Conditional Area Management Plan criteria, and local rules and regulations under authority of MGL Chapter 130, section 52, effective as of 11:00 a.m. on Wednesday, July 16, 2025.

Areas classified as "PROHIBITED" shall remain closed to the harvest of shellfish for direct human consumption.

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

### **STATUS: OPEN TO THE TAKING OF SHELLFISH**

**Subject to conditional area management plan criteria where applicable**

#### **MB10.0**

##### **Cohasset Harbor**

"The waters and flats and all tributaries of that portion of Cohasset Harbor, in the Town of Scituate, east of a line drawn approximately 300' east of the base of the breakwater on Bassing Beach to Jack Rock in the Town of Scituate and south of a line drawn easterly from Quarry Point in the Town of Cohasset to Strawberry Point in the Town of Scituate, excluding MB10.3, MB10.4, and MB10.5."

**MB8.1****Northern Scituate North Coastal**

"The waters and flats and all tributaries of that portion of Scituate North Coastal southeast of a line drawn from Strawberry Point three nautical miles to the intersection of the MB8, MB9 and MB14 DSGAs and northwest of a line continuing southwesterly from the of the intersection of the DSGAs to #27 Glades Road."

**MB8.0****Scituate North Coastal**

"The waters and flats of that portion of Scituate North Coastal north of a line drawn east out to three nautical miles from the Cedar Point Lighthouse and southeast of a line drawn northeast for three nautical miles from Strawberry Point and southwest of a line connecting the two points located three miles from shore, excluding MB8.1."

**STATUS: CLOSED TO THE TAKING OF SHELLFISH**

**Except for harvest of scallops for adductor muscle only**

**Southern Portion of Egypt Beach**

All areas within three hundred feet of the "No Shellfishing" sign placed near the end of the boardwalk entrance to Egypt Beach (42.21996, -70.74670).

Sincerely,



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