

Department of Marine Resources
NOTICE OF AGENCY RULE-MAKING PROPOSAL

RULE TITLE: Chapter 11.07(3) Configuration of Scallop Drag, Minimum Ring Size

CONCISE SUMMARY:

The proposed regulation would establish a minimum ring size of 4 inches in accordance with 12 M.R.S.A. §6726, sub-§1, Minimum size, effective July 18, 2008. More information on the statutory change is available online at:

<http://janus.state.me.us/legis/ros/lom/LOM123rd/123S1/PUBLIC607.asp>.

STATUTORY AUTHORITY: 12 M.R.S.A. §6171, §6726

PUBLIC HEARING: October 27, 2008, 6:00pm, DMR Large Conference Room, 194 McKown Point Road, West Boothbay Harbor

DEADLINE FOR COMMENTS: November 6, 2008

To ensure consideration, comments must include your name and the organization you represent, if any. Please be aware that any risk of non-delivery associated with submissions by fax or e-mail is on the sender.

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Additional information:

The proposed regulations would provide compliance with recent legislative changes in accordance with Chapter 607, Part A, Section A-14. For the contents of LD 2071 they are available online at: <http://janus.state.me.us/legis/ros/lom/LOM123rd/123S1/PUBLIC607.asp>.

Proposed rulemaking – see underlined or ~~deleted~~ text below:

Chapter 11 Scallops

11.07 Configuration of Scallop Drag

3. Minimum Ring Size

A person may not use a drag to fish for or take scallops in the territorial waters with rings that measure less than 4 inches.

