Shellfish Harvesting Area Classification - Notification of Changes

April 6, 2020

This notice is in effect until repealed or replaced

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Under the authority of 12 M.R.S.A. § 6172; the Commissioner has made the following classification change to Area No. 42, Western Shore of Mount Desert Island (Bar Harbor, Mount Desert, Tremont): This notice reclassifies Duck Cove (Tremont) from Restricted to Approved due to water quality meeting approved standards. An interactive map that allows the user to zoom in to specific areas can be found on the ME DMR website: https://www.maine.gov/dmr/shellfish-sanitation-management/maps/index.html. All existing pollution and biotoxin closures remain in effect.

The boundary descriptions of the area are as follows (struck text is being removed and underlined text is being added):

A. Effective immediately, because of pollution, it shall be unlawful to dig, take or possess any clams, quahogs, oysters, or mussels or whole or roe-on scallops from the shores, flats and waters of the following Prohibited area(s):

1. The Eastern Shore of Duck Cove: within 550 feet of shore, beginning at a red painted post on the eastern shore of Duck Cove approximately 800 yards south from the mouth of Duck Cove Stream then running approximately 800 yards southeast to a red painted post on the shore located at the tip of a small unnamed point.
2. Bass Harbor: The area north of a line beginning at the most eastern tip of Lopaus Point and running in a southeasterly direction to the light house at Bass Harbor Head.
3. Hodgon Cove: North of a line beginning at the prominent point on the western shore of Hodgon Cove running east to the shore near the end of Old Wharf Road; AND southeast of a line beginning at the prominent point on the western shore of Hodgon Cove running northeast to the prominent point of land on the north shore of the unnamed cove near the end of Town Line Road.

B. Effective immediately, because of pollution, it shall be unlawful to dig, take or possess any clams, quahogs, oysters or mussels from the shores, flats and waters of the following Restricted area(s) without a special MDMR permit:

1. Duck Cove north of a line beginning at a red painted post on the eastern shore of Duck Cove located approximately 800 yards south from the mouth of Duck Cove Stream then running northwest to a red painted post on the opposite shore.

If you have questions, please contact Department of Marine Resources, 194 McKown Point Road, West Boothbay Harbor, Maine 04575-0008, Tel: (207) 633-9500 Email: DMRPublicHealthDiv@maine.gov. During weekends/holidays, contact on duty Marine Patrol Officers through the appropriate State Police barracks: from New Hampshire border to Brunswick, barracks 1-800-228-0857; from Cushing/Boothbay to Lincolnville/Belfast area, barracks 1-800-452-4664; from Belfast to Canadian border, barracks 1-800-432-7381. This notice can be viewed on the Department’s website at: http://www.maine.gov/dmr/shellfish-sanitation-management/closures/pollution.html. This information is also recorded on our HOTLINE (207-624-7727 OR 1-800-232-4733).

Sincerely,

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David W. Miller
Eastern Maine Growing Area
Commissioner’s Designee

12:30 PM
(Effective Time)
Maine Department of Marine Resources

Pollution Area No. 42

Western Shore of Mount Desert Island, Bar Harbor, Mount Desert and Tremont

Legend

- Red Painted Post

Classification

- Prohibited
- Restricted
- Conditionally Restricted
- Conditionally Approved

0 560 1,100 2,200 Yards