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## SHELLFISH COMMINGLING PLAN

Only *Primary Dealers*, those dealers packaging shellfish directly from the harvesters, can commingle their product.

No more than three harvest areas from one day and/or no more than three different harvest dates from the same harvest area are permitted to be commingled.

The shellfish tag must indicate which three areas or which three dates from the same harvest area have been commingled; i.e. Quahog Bay / White's Cove/Broad Neck, Brunswick commingled or Quahog Bay, Brunswick 11/12, 11/13 & 11/14, commingled.

Shucked product may be commingled if it is in one container and from only two consecutive days processing. The labeling on the container shall read C0 before date; i.e. C09272022 or C0365. The areas commingled must be documented in the days shucking log, also in the sales records.

When purchasing shellstock from harvesters,

\_\_\_\_\_ may commingle lots of shellstock from the same harvest date or the same harvest area. No more than three harvest areas from one day and/or no more than three different harvest dates from the same harvest area are permitted. Commingled lots are identified using our Dealer shellfish tag, filled out to indicate which areas or dates have been commingled. Records will be maintained to indicate this information as well, so traceability will be maintained.

Name:

Date:

## Commingling

Only a Primary Dealer may commingle shellfish products and only with a Department approved commingling plan.

1. The plan shall include provisions that minimize commingling but meet the minimum of:

(a) multiple harvest areas from the same harvest date, and/or

(b) multiple harvest dates from the same harvest area are permitted to be commingled.

(c) The shellfish tag and records must indicate which areas and/or which dates from the same harvest area have been commingled; i.e. Quahog Bay / White's Cove, Brunswick commingled or Quahog Bay, Brunswick 11/12 & 11/13 commingled.