



*[designates specific areas from which the collection of oysters, clams, or other shellfish\*\* is strictly prohibited]*

RULES AND REGULATIONS

The State Department of Health of the State of New Jersey pursuant to the authority vested in it by Chapter 177, Laws of 1947 hereby establishes the following Rules and Regulations for the administration of Revised Statutes 24:2-1 and 24:14-2. All prior Rules and Regulations in these matters adopted on various dates by the Department of Health of the State of New Jersey are hereby rescinded.

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The State Department of Health hereby condemns all oyster, clam and mussel growing areas or other places from which oysters, clams or other shellfish are or may be taken, at all times of the year except when otherwise noted, in:

1. All of the water of the State lying west and north of Raritan Bay.
2. Raritan Bay:
  - (a) all that portion of the water of the State in Raritan Bay lying west of a line extending from the water tank at Union Beach, N.J., in a northwesterly direction to the black buoy "C 3" off Conaskonk Point thence to the cupola at Red Bank, Staten Island, N.Y.
  - (b) all that portion of the water of the State in Raritan Bay lying north of a line beginning at the inshore flashing light "Green, 58 ft." located on the Government Pier at Leonardo, N.J. on the end of the inshore pier spur, situated approximately one mile from shore, to Compton Creek Channel red buoy "N 4" and all the water of the State in Raritan Bay lying east of a line beginning at Compton Creek Channel red buoy "N 4", thence to black buoy "C 1" off Point Comfort, thence to Perth Amboy Channel red buoy "N 16".
  - (c) all that portion of the water of the State in Raritan Bay lying south of a line located 1,000 feet out from any portion of mean high water mark or any shoreline of Raritan Bay, extending from the line described in 2 (a) of these regulations to the Government Pier at Leonardo, N.J.

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(d) all that portion of Raritan Bay lying within 1,000 feet of any part of the Government Pier at Leonardo, N.J.

(e) all that portion of Raritan Bay lying within a radius of one-half mile from the outer end of the sewer outfall line at Keansburg, N.J.

3. Sandy Hook Bay:

(a) all that portion of Sandy Hook Bay lying north of a straight line extending in an easterly direction from the north end of the Government Pier at Leonardo to Sandy Hook Lighthouse.

(b) all that portion of Sandy Hook Bay lying within 1,000 feet of any part of the Government Pier at Leonardo, N.J.

(c) all that portion of Sandy Hook Bay lying south of a straight line extending from the northerly corner of Waterwitch Bulkhead to Sandy Hook, intersecting the northernmost point of Plum Island (Island Beach).

(d) all that portion of Sandy Hook Bay lying south of a line extending 1,000 feet out from any portion of the mean high water mark on any shoreline of the Bay, extending in an easterly direction from the Government Pier at Leonardo to the westerly side of the Dredged Channel at Waterwitch; and extending thence along the southerly border of the Dredged Channel to the Railroad Bridge at Highlands, N.J.

(e) all that portion of Sandy Hook Bay lying within a radius of one-half mile from the outer end of the steamboat pier at Atlantic Highlands, N.J.

4. Shrewsbury River:

(a) all that portion of the Shrewsbury River lying north of the Railroad Bridge at Highlands, N.J.

(b) all that portion of the Shrewsbury River lying between a line situated at a distance of 500 feet north of the Seabright Bridge southward to a straight line extending from the northerly end of Monmouth Parkway, Monmouth Beach to the south-easterly end of Bingham Avenue, Rumson, N.J. and tributaries thereof.

(c) all that portion of the Shrewsbury River lying south and east of a line extending in a northeasterly direction from Sands Point to the northwesterly point of Racoon Island, including Pleasure Bay and tributaries thereof.

(d) all that portion of the Shrewsbury River lying south of Goose Neck Bridge, including Parker Creek, Oceanport Creek, and tributaries thereof.

5. Navesink River:

(a) all that portion of the Navesink River lying west of a straight line extending from Guyon Point to Louis Point and tributaries thereof.

6. Shark River:

(a) all that portion of the Shark River lying east of a straight line extending from the corner of the Bulkhead at the westerly end of South Concourse to the southerly end of Windsor Court.

7. Sea Girt Inlet:

(a) all of Sea Girt Inlet (Wreck Pond) and tributaries thereof.

8. Manasquan River:

(a) all of Debbie's Creek and the mouths and tributaries thereof.

(b) all of Lake Louise and Cook's Creek.

9. Upper Barnegat Bay: (Bay Head)

(a) all that portion east of a straight line extending from Stony Point to Pereg Hole Point, and including that portion lying east and north of the entrance to the Bay Head-Manasquan Canal, and all tributaries thereof.

10. Metedeconk River:

(a) all that portion lying to the westward of a straight line drawn due south from the easternmost point of Wardell Neck, and tributaries thereof, including all of the dredged basins at Wardell Neck.

11. Toms River:

(a) all that portion lying to the westward of a straight line between the abutments of the Railroad Bridge which formerly crossed the River at Island Heights, and tributaries thereof.

12. Forked River:

(a) all of Forked River from the mouth to the head of tidewater, and tributaries thereof.

13. Manahawkin Creek, Cedar Creek Channel and Manahawkin Bay:

(a) all that portion lying west of a straight line extending in a northeasterly direction through the westernmost ice breaker on the highway bridge, beginning opposite the furthest extending point of land 200 yards south of the Bridge, and extending to a point 100 yards north of the Bridge, thence bearing in a northerly direction to the east point at the mouth of Cedar Creek, thence bearing in a northwesterly direction to the west point at the mouth of Cedar Creek, and tributaries thereof.

(b) all of Manahawkin Creek and tributaries thereof.

14. Cedar Run Creek and Cedar Run Cove:

(a) all of cedar Run Creek and tributaries thereof.

(b) all that portion of Cedar Run Cove lying on the northerly and westerly side of a line extending, at a distance of 100 feet from any dock, wharf, or bulkhead, from the mouth of Cedar Run Creek to a point 100 feet from the northernmost end of the bulkhead at the end of Cedar Run Road.

14.1 West Creek

(a) all that portion of West Creek and its tributaries lying north and west of a line drawn from the southeast point of the mouth of Upper Thorofare, directly east across the creek to New Jersey Department of Conservation and Economic Development Light Pole #2, (Flashing Red #41A) on the east bank of West Creek.

15. Tuckerton Creek:

(a) all of Tuckerton Creek from the mouth to the head of tidewater, and tributaries thereof.

16. Oyster Creek, Leeds Point:

(a) all of Oyster Creek from the mouth to the head of tidewater, and tributaries thereof.

17. Conover Creek, Galloway Township, Atlantic County:

(a) all of Conover Creek from the mouth to the head of tidewater, and tributaries thereof.

18. Reed Bay, Gull Island Thorofare, Middle Thorofare:

(a) all that portion lying in the inland waterway channel between the channel stakes, from Meadow Cut to Absecon Channel.

19. Absecon Bay, Absecon Channel and Absecon Inlet:

(a) all that portion of Absecon Bay situated southeast of a straight line extending from the northerly bank of the mouth of Jonathan Thorofare to the westernmost point of Zippler's Island, and including all of Gop Channel and Wills Thorofare and tributaries thereof.

(b) all of Absecon Channel, Mankiller Bay, Point Thorofare and Absecon Inlet, and all tributaries to Absecon Channel and Absecon Inlet lying southeast of Mankiller Island, including Black Hole and the Atlantic City Basins.

(c) EXCEPTING that those portions in Absecon Bay and Absecon Channel lying between a straight line extending from the northerly bank of the mouth of Jonathan Thorofare to the westernmost point of Zippler's Island, including all of Gop Channel and Wills Thorofare and tributaries thereof, and a straight line extending from Point Bar Point to Debs Point, shall not be condemned during the period from December 1, to March 31, both inclusive.

20. Absecon Creek:

(a) all of Absecon Creek from the mouth to the head of tidewater, and tributaries thereof.

21. Beach Thorofare, Great Thorofare, Clam Thorofare and Jonathan Thorofare:

(a) all of Beach Thorofare from Absecon Channel on the north to Risley Channel on the south and all tributaries thereof, including West or Ventnor Canal and Inside Thorofare.

(b) all of Jonathan Thorofare, Duck Thorofare, Newfound Thorofare, Clam Thorofare and Great Thorofare, and tributaries thereof.

22. Lake Bay, Shelter Island Bay, and waters to the south thereof:

(a) all that portion of Lake Bay southeast of a straight line extending from the northernmost point of Whirlpool Island on the south to the southernmost point of Horserace Island, and all tributaries lying to the east and south thereof.

(b) all that portion of Lake Bay within a distance of 500 feet of the mean high water mark on any shore or dock on the north and west sides of the Bay between Horserace Island and Lake Channel.

(c) all of Shelter Island Bay and waters lying to the south and east, including the Straits and Lone Cedar Channel southward to the Margate Bridge.

23. Patcong Creek:

(a) all of Patcong Creek from the mouth to the head of tidewater.

24. Bass Harbor and Ship Channel:

(a) all that portion of Bass Harbor between the southerly entrance into Ship Channel and a point 1,000 feet east of the Bridge crossing Bass Harbor.

(b) all that portion of Ship Channel lying northwest of a straight line extending through the center abutment of the Somers Point-Ocean City highway bridge from a point 1,000 feet southwest of the bridge to the shore at a point 500 feet east of the easterly point of the mouth of Bass Harbor.

25. Rainbow Channel, Ocean City:

(a) all that portion lying south of a straight line extending from the south end of the Margate City-Ocean City Bridge to the easternmost point of the nearest large Rainbow Island.

(b) all that portion lying east of a straight line drawn from the southeasterly point of the easternmost Rainbow Island southward to the easternmost point of the next large island.

26. Back Thorofare:

(a) all of Back Thorofare from Rainbow Channel in the north to Peck Bay on the south, and all tributaries on the eastward side thereof.

27. Ludlam Thorofare:

(a) all of Ludlam Thorofare and all tributaries on the eastward side, from the easterly point of the entrance of the Thorofare into the main body of Ludlam Bay, on the north, to Townsend Channel, on the south.

28. Hereford Inlet:

(a) all that portion of Hereford Inlet lying west of a line extending from a point situated 1,000 feet from the shore due east of the Hereford Coast Guard Station to the southeast point of Nummy Island.

29. Grassy Sound Channel; North end:

(a) all of Grassy Sound Channel from Hereford Inlet to a straight line drawn due east from the southerly point of the mouth of Cresse Thorofare and tributaries thereof.

30. Beach Creek:

(a) all of Beach Creek from its northerly end to its entrance into Grassy Sound, and tributaries thereof.

31. Cresse Thorofare and Old Turtle Thorofare:

(a) all of Cresse Thorofare and Old Turtle Thorofare from Grassy Sound Channel to and including Tempe Creek, and tributaries thereof.

32. Grassy Sound and Grassy Sound Channel:

(a) all of Grassy Sound and Grassy Sound Channel and tributaries thereof, from Cresse Thorofare on the north to Jarvis Sound on the south, and all waters lying to the eastward thereof; including Sunset Lake.

(b) EXCEPTING that those portions of Grassy Sound and Grassy Sound Channel, excluding the tributaries to the eastward thereof, lying between the southerly point of the mouth of Cresse Thorofare and the southerly point of Southern Thorofare, being the southernmost Thorofare leading from Grassy Sound Channel into Richardson Sound, shall not be condemned during the period from October 16 to May 30, both inclusive.

33. Post Creek and Ottens Harbor:

(a) all of Post Creek and all of Ottens Harbor and tributaries thereof.

34. Richardson Channel:

(a) all of Richardson Channel from the mouth to its entrance into Richardson Sound, and tributaries thereof.

35. Lower Thorofare:

(a) all that portion on the eastern side of the midline of Lower Thorofare from a point 500 feet north of the fish wharves to a point 500 feet south of the wharves.

36. Cape May Harbor, Cold Spring Inlet, and Cape Island Creek:

(a) all of Cape May Harbor southwest of a straight line extending from the western side of the mouth of Upper Thorofare to the Southwest Bulkhead of Cold Spring Inlet.

(b) all of Cape Island Creek and tributaries thereof.

37. Maurice River:

(a) all of Maurice River from the mouth to the head of tidewater, and tributaries thereof.

38. Cohansey River:

(a) all of Cohansey River from the mouth to the head of tidewater, and tributaries thereof.