

## Town of Cumberland Recreational Shellfish Harvest Information

### **CLOSURES:**

For vitally important health information before you harvest, check to ensure the area where you plan to dig is open: <http://www.maine.gov/dmr/fisheries/shellfish/closures>

### **LEGAL HARVEST HOURS:**

Harvesting is permitted during hours starting ½ hour before sunrise and ending ½ hour after sunset.

### **LICENSE REQUIREMENTS, LEGAL SIZE AND DAILY LIMITS:**

Type of Shellfish	State License Required?	Town License Required?	Daily Limit per Person	Legal Size
Soft Shell Clam	No	Yes	1 peck*	2 inches
Mussels	No	No	2 bushels**	
Quahog or Hard Shell Clam	No	Yes	1 peck*	1 inch (as measured across the hinge width)
Hen or Surf Clam	No	Yes	3 bushel	
American Oyster	No	Yes	1 peck*	2.5 inches
European Oyster (Sept. 15-June 15)	No	Yes	1 peck*	3 inches
Razor Clam	No	Yes	1 peck*	4 inches

\*Your recreational license permits you to harvest on peck of any of these types of shellfish **combined**.

\*\*Limit set by Maine Department of Marine Resources

### **SHELLFISH IDENTIFICATION:**

Not familiar with the different types of shellfish found in our intertidal zone? Look here for a helpful Shellfish Identification guide: <https://www.maine.gov/dmr/shellfish-sanitation-management/shellfishidentification.html>