## NEW SHELLFISH REGULATIONS FOR 2015



## Tagging (All year)

Shellfish tags must be completed and attached to bags or containers prior to any shellfish taken being placed in containers and <u>must include</u> <u>harvest commencement time</u>. Harvest commencement time is when the first shellfish on a given day is taken from the water (the initial commencement time is the same on all your tags for that day).

## November 1 – April 30

All shellfish must be delivered to a dealer within 20 hours of the commencement of harvest.

## May 1 – October 31

All shellfish must be <u>delivered to a dealer within 10 hours</u> of the commencement of harvest.

Shellfish that are harvested from <u>the coastal ponds must be adequately</u> <u>iced or refrigerated within 5 hours of the commencement of harvest</u> and delivered to the dealer within 10 hours of the commencement of harvest.

All shellfish need to be kept in the shade while in possession of the harvester, including during land based deliveries.

\*Whelks, Ocean Quahogs, and Surf Clams are exempt from these requirements\*