

**15A NCAC 18A .0426 BULK SHIPMENTS BETWEEN SHELLFISH DEALERS**

(a) For the purpose of this Rule:

- (1) "bulk shipment" shall mean a shipment of a shellstock lot between shellfish dealers.
- (2) "shellstock lot" shall mean a single type of bulk shellstock or containers of shellstock of no more than one day's harvest from a single growing area harvested by one or more harvesters.

(b) Bulk shipments shall not be made except if the shipment is from only one consignor to one consignee, both of which shall be shellfish dealers.

(c) When a shellstock lot is shipped, if multiple containers are used they shall be on a wrapped pallet, in a tote, in a net bailer, or other container and the unit shall be tagged with a single tag in accordance with Rule .0425 of this Section. The single tag shall also include a statement that "All shellstock containers in this lot have the same harvest date and area of harvest" and shall include the number of individual containers in the unit.

(d) The shellfish dealer shall provide a transaction record that accompanies the bulk shipment that contains the same information required on a dealer's tag in Rule .0425 of this Section and additionally states the name of the consignee, which shall be a shellfish dealer.

(e) Bulk shipments shall be kept above the floor using pallets to prevent the shellstock from becoming contaminated, unless the shipping conveyance has a channeled floor.

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