

15A NCAC 18A .0428 SAMPLING AND TESTING

Samples of shellfish may be taken and examined by the Division of Marine Fisheries at any time or place for routine quality control checks or to evaluate for threats of physical injury or adverse health effects to consumers. This may include bacteriological examination or analysis for poisonous or deleterious substances as listed in the latest approved edition of the National Shellfish Sanitation Program (NSSP) Guide for the Control of Molluscan Shellfish, Section IV: Guidance Documents, Chapter II: Growing Areas; Action Levels, Tolerances and Guidance Levels for Poisonous or Deleterious Substances in Seafood, which is incorporated by reference, including subsequent amendments and editions. A copy of the reference material can be found at <https://www.fda.gov/food/federalstate-food-programs/national-shellfish-sanitation-program-nssp>, at no cost. Samples of shellfish shall be furnished, upon request of the Division, by operators of plants, trucks, carriers, stores, restaurants, and other places where shellfish are sold.

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