



Town Recreational Shellfish Crier
April 18, 2024

1. Wellfleet Earth Day Beach Cleanup – This Saturday, April 20, 2024

This coming Saturday, April 20, there will be a Weekend Community Beach Cleanup for Earth Day. It will take place from 2-5 p.m. during low tide to allow access to aquaculture gear, such as clam nets, oyster grow bags and buoys, that we have seen wedged into revetments. Meet at Mayo Beach for assignments. Please bring gloves, waterproof footwear and a water bottle. Bags, buckets, water and snacks will be provided at the event. It is sponsored by the Town of Wellfleet, Shellfish Advisory Board, Shellfish Department, Department of Public Works, Chamber of Commerce, Recycling Committee, Wellfleet Oyster Alliance, and the Mass Oyster Project. For more information, please contact wellfleetrecycles@gmail.com or call 508-237-3133. Thank you in advance for your help!

2. Shellfishing Parking Stickers

For non-residents and residents who cannot or do not purchase Wellfleet beach stickers, there is a required parking sticker for recreational shellfishing permit holders that allows them to park at the Indian Neck parking lot and along the left side of Nauset Rd. from two hours before low tide until two hours after low tide on Sundays and Wednesdays. These stickers are free and will be available once the Beach Dept. moves into our office at the pier on June 1, 2024, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., seven days a week. Please stop by with your 2024 recreational shellfishing permit to request your free parking sticker. Parking stickers will be required beginning June 22, 2024 through Labor Day, 2024.

3. Reminder: Upcoming Closures and Openings

- Chipman's Cove is open and will be closing on April 30.
- Until May 31, recreational shellfishing is open from Indian Neck south to Lieutenant's Island seven days a week.
- Beginning June 1 through September 30, recreational shellfishing may only take place within the Indian Neck recreational shellfishing area, and only on Sundays and Wednesdays.
- Although you may see many bay scallops, the season is closed, and they cannot be taken again until October 1.
- As always, the limit for mixed shellfish harvest is one 10-quart wire basket a week.

Contact shellfish@wellfleet-ma.gov or 508-349-0325 with ideas on how the Shellfish Department can help or improve shellfishing. Thank you!

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