



**Town Recreational Shellfish Crier
November 29, 2023**

- 1. Recreational Shellfishing Permits Go on Sale at 9 a.m., Friday, December 1, 2023, Online Only**
Recreational shellfishing permits for 2024 will go on sale ONLINE ONLY at 9 a.m. on December 1, 2023. Click [here](#) to purchase your permit online. In order to receive a recreational permit, you must upload a photo of your driver's license and a photo of your vehicle registration. We may be offering limited IN PERSON sales the week of December 11. Stay tuned.

PLEASE NOTE: There will be a slower turn-around time than normal, so please plan ahead. Once approved, permits will be put in a plastic box outside our office at the pier; the box will be placed inside our office at night. Permits are valid January 1 - December 31, 2024. If you buy your permit in January, please remember that there will be a waiting period for us to turn it around for you, and you will not be able to shellfish during the waiting period.

For non-residents, your parking passes will not be available until next May or June. (They are not needed until the third Saturday in June, when beach parking regulations go into effect.) You will be able to come to our office when Beach Dept. staff are here to pick it up then. You will be required to show them your 2024 recreational shellfishing permit to get it.

- 2. State of Wellfleet Harbor Conference video from, Sat., Nov. 4, 2023, available**
Click [here](#) to see the presentations from the 2023 State of Wellfleet Harbor Conference

Some presentations include:

Herring River restoration and Duck Harbor overwash updates

Oyster Recruitment and Sedimentation Monitoring in Wellfleet Harbor, *Katie Castagno, Center for Coastal Studies*

Horseshoe Crab Research and Advocacy in Wellfleet and Beyond

What we should know about mosquito and tick control on Cape Cod

- 3. Please Report Your Catches**

It is important for us to quantify how much shellfish is harvested in Wellfleet. At this time of year, when shellfishing is open seven days a week in many places in town, it can be hard for the Shellfish Department to be everywhere at once, and we may not get a chance to check you. We ask that you please email your catches each week to us at: shellfish@wellfleet-ma.gov. This will help us communicate the actual value of our recreational shellfishery to our community.

Contact Nancy at nancy.civetta@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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