TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT
FAMILY SHELLFISH PERMIT

DATE: _____ PERMIT # _____ CASH $

TEL # _____ FEE $ _____ CHECK $

PERMISSION GRANTED TO: _____

ADDRESS: _____

Taking shellfish, seaworms and eels within the Town limits is subject to the laws and regulations of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the Town of Mattapoisett.

1. Regular Shellfish Buttons are only valid through December 31. Senior Citizen Gold Shellfish Buttons are valid for the lifetime of the owner
2. RESTRICTIONS:
   a. Button Holders are allowed to fish **ONCE** per week per given species.
   b. Quotas are listed below:

TYPE	SIZE NOT LESS THAN	QUOTA Monday - Sunday	PERMITTED Sunrise to Sunset
Quahogs	1" in thickness	1 Peck	all week
Clams	2" in length	1 Peck	Fri-Sat-Sun **(Closed season - June 1- Sept 15)**
Oysters	3" in length	1 Peck	Oct. 1 - Apr. 1 all week
Scallops	Must show annual growth line	1 Bushel	Nov. 1 - Apr. 1 all week
Eels		30	all week

   c. Shellfish shall not be taken from areas closed by the Town or State.
   d. Shellfish shall be measured BEFORE placing in receptacle.
   e. Shellfish, seaworms, or eels shall NOT be sold.
   f. Shellfish cannot be taken by skin, scuba or snorkel divers.
   g. Eeling is limited to five (5) traps.
3. Permit holder MUST provide name & button number, when requested by Shellfish Constable or other enforcing officer.
4. The button must be conspicuously displayed on the person.
5. Use of permit is limited to immediate family members residing with button holder.
6. Children under 12 years may only take shellfish on this permit when under the supervision of button holder.
7. All button holders shall allow the Shellfish Constable, Deputy Shellfish Constable, Police Officer or other enforcing officer to examine any boat, receptacle or vehicle to check shellfish therein.
8. All seed turned up in digging must be covered.
9. Orange Shellfish Parking Placard is not valid at the Town Beach or the Town Wharf.
10. Rules are subject to change at Selectmen's discretion.
11. **FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THE ABOVE REGULATIONS SHALL RESULT IN REVOCATION OF SHELLFISHING PRIVILEGES FOR A PERIOD OF ONE YEAR.**

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