Technical Revision

Part 4 – Shellfish (section 4.12.1(C)(3)(b))

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4.12 Shellfish Management Areas – Descriptions, Seasons, and Possession Limits

4.12.1 General

- C. Daily possession limits:
 - 1. Recreational R.I. resident:
 - a. Bay quahaug, soft-shell clam, surf clam, blue mussel, and oyster: One peck per person per day.
 - b. Bay scallop: One bushel per person per day.
 - c. Conch: One half (½) bushel per resident per day; or if a vessel with more than one (1) resident onboard is used, a maximum of one (1) bushel per vessel per day.
 - d. Conch pot limit: Five (5) conch pots in the water at any one time.
 - Recreational licensed non-resident:
 - a. Bay quahaug, soft-shell clam, surf clam, blue mussel, and oyster: One half (½) peck per person per day.
 - b. Bay scallop: The harvest or possession of Bay scallops by non-residents is prohibited.
 - c. Conch: The harvest or possession of Conch by non-residents is prohibited.

3. Commercial:

- a. Bay quahaug, soft-shell clam, blue mussel, surf clam and oyster: Three bushels per person per calendar day; maximum of six (6) bushels per vessel per calendar day;
 - (1) A maximum of two (2) licensed shellfishers per vessel is allowed.

- (2) Possession limit for shore-digging in Greenwich Bay Management Area sub-areas 1 and 2: The possession limit is three (3) bushels per person per day whenever GB sub-area 1 is open to boat harvest, but one (1) peck per person per day whenever GB sub-area 1 is not open to boat harvest.
- b. Bay scallop: Three (3) bushels per person per day; maximum of six three (63) bushels per vessel per day. A maximum of two (2) licensed shellfishermen per vessel is allowed.

<u>Concise Explanatory Statement:</u> Rule and language was filed on July 22, 2014 as part of a consolidation effort comprised of combining six separate shellfish regulations into a single regulation (Part 4 - Shellfish). Language in question to be revised as the substance of this technical revision was mistakenly revised during this consolidation (reference repealed regulation Part V - Bay Scallops, ERLID 7830, section 5.2.2, which provides accurate regulation)