

**\*\*\* As of January 1st, 2024 \*\*\***

**Recreational Shellfishing Days**

**Jan 1 - March 31** (everyday, temperature dependent)

**April 1 - April 30** Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday, Sunday

**May 1 to May 31** Wednesday, Saturday, Sunday

**June 1 - Sept 30** Wednesday, Saturday

**Oct 1 - Oct 31** Wednesday, Saturday, Sunday

**Nov 1 - Dec 31** Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday, Sunday

**SHELLFISH AREA CLOSURES - OPEN AREAS**

The status of shellfishing areas can fall under the administration of several agencies at Town, State, and Federal levels. Therefore, it is best to check with the Natural Resources Department to learn of up to the minute reports on conditions.

**PERMANENTLY CLOSED AREAS** at all times for reasons of elevated bacteria counts include:

**Allen Harbor (North):** Permanently closed north side (defined by a line from Swanton Property dock to a point on the tip of the west side peninsula at the mouth of Oyster Creek).

**Muddy Creek (West)** Permanently closed west of the Route 28 dike.

**Red River-** South Harwich in its entirety.

**SHELLFISHING AREAS OPENINGS AND CLOSURES IN HARWICH, MA**

PLACE	CONDITION	AVAILABILITY
Pleasant Bay	<b>OPEN</b>	All permits
Nantucket Sound Beaches	<b>OPEN</b>	All permits
Wychmere Harbor	<b>OPEN</b>	Recreational permits only
Allen Harbor (South Side and Oyster creek)	<b>OPEN</b>	All permits
Round Cove	<b>OPEN</b>	All permits
Saquatucket Harbor channel	<b>OPEN</b>	All permits
Herring River (S. of Rt. 28 bridge)	<b>OPEN</b>	All permits
Herring River (N. of Rt. 28 bridge)	<b>OPEN</b>	All permits
Muddy Creek (East of Rt. 28)	<b>OPEN</b>	Recreational permits only
Muddy Creek (W. of Rt. 28)	<b>Permanently Closed</b>	--
Red River	<b>Permanently Closed</b>	--