

SHELLFISH DEALERS Education Program



Shellfish
Industry

Dealer Certification for Processing

National Shellfish Sanitation Program (NSSP)

Guide for the Control of Molluscan Shellfish 2019 Revision



From the U.S. Food and Drug Administration website
<http://www.fda.gov/Food/GuidanceRegulation/FederalStateFoodPrograms/ucm2006754.htm>

Dealer Certification and Inspection

- All certifications will expire annually and the state authorities will only issue one certification number for one dealer at one location.

INSPECTION FREQUENCY

- Within thirty (30) days of beginning activities
- At least quarterly for shucker-packers, post harvest processors, and Repackers
- At least semi-annually for other dealer activities.

Enforcement

If a critical deficiency is found during an inspection, then the described deficiency shall be corrected during that inspection; or the dealer must cease production affected by the deficiency. Should the dealer fail to comply with this action, the authorities can immediately begin actions to suspend or revoke the dealers' certification. Product affected by any critical deficiency shall be controlled, through stopping sales, seizures, and recalls, to prevent contaminated or adulterated product from reaching consumers.

Key and Other deficiencies noted during a routine inspection will follow a correction schedule as described by the NSSP, and implemented by the State Shellfish Control Authority.

Type of Dealers

- Shucker/Packer



- Repacker



- Shellstock Shipper



- Reshipper



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