

March April 2026 Re-Classification Line



Louisiana Department of Health
Office of Public Health
Molluscan Shellfish Program



Refrigerated Requirements for Shellstock Harvested for Raw Consumption

Basin Descriptions
 Barataria Basin - Mississippi River west to Bayou Lafourche
 Pontchartrain Basin - Mississippi state line to the Mississippi River
 Terrebonne Basin - Bayou Lafourche to the Atchafalaya River
 Vermilion Basin - Growing waters south to the South West Pass
 and Marsh Island to defined federal waters and from Pt. Chevert
 to Freshwater Bayou Canal

Max Hrs from Harvest	36 Hrs	8 Hrs	1 Hr
Basin 2	Jan-Feb Dec	Mar-Apr Nov	May-Oct
Basin 3	Jan-Feb Dec	Mar-Apr Nov	Oct
Basin 4	Jan-Feb Dec	Mar-Apr Nov	May-Oct
Basin 6	Jan-Feb Dec	Mar-Apr Nov	May-Oct
Basin 12	Jan-Feb Dec	Mar-Apr Nov	May-Oct



- Area Lines
- Closure Area

Prohibited Areas



Scale 1:72,000



50 yard radius closure from point of waste discharge exists for all man-made habitable structures.

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