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OFFICE OF THE SELECTMEN
TOWN MANAGER
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SHELLFISH RULES AND REGULATIONS

August 20, 2013

EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY

The Following Rule Change

SECTION 101. AUTHORITY

(A) The Selectmen of the Town of Chatham acting under the authority granted them by the acceptance of Article 16 of the Annual Town Meeting held February 17, 1942, and by the provision of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 598, Sections 52 and 54 of the Acts of 1941; Chapter 130, Section 52, and by any other statutes of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, do hereby promulgate the following rules and regulations concerning the taking of quahaugs, mussels, softshell clams, sea clams, oysters, razor clams, scallops, blood ark clams, periwinkles, eels and sea worms.

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SECTION 104. DEFINITIONS (B) In these rules and regulations-

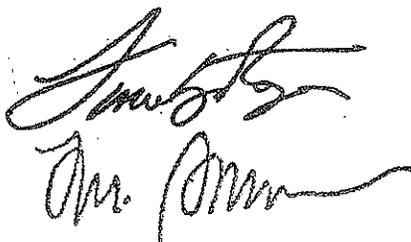
1. "Blood Ark Clam" means a marine mollusk of the species *Anadara ovalis* also known as a blood clam, blood arc, or blood cockle.

And:

25. "Salting" means a saline solution derived solely from table salt and water used to harvest razor clams and sea clams.

(all subsequent numbers in Section 104. will change accordingly)

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SECTION 305. QUANTITY, SEASON AND SIZE

(A) 5. One 12-quart pail of razor clams, or (all subsequent numbers in 305. (A) will change; 5 to 6 and 6 to 7)

And:

(G) Razor clams must be four and one-half (4 ½) inches long or longer when taken. A four and one-half inch measuring gauge must be used by the permit holder.

(all subsequent letters under Section 305. will change; G to H, and H to I)

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Section 402. Razor Clam Regulations

- (A) The harvesting of razor clams and sea clams by salting (see 104. B. 25) is allowable provided there are no other species (such as soft-shelled clams or quahogs) within the inter-tidal zone of a given area. Areas of mixed species will be assessed and determined in the sole and unfettered discretion of the Shellfish Constable.
- (B) The taking of any other shellfish by this method is prohibited.
- (C) Dry salting (salt not in a water solution) or broadcast salting (spreading dry salt over a tidal flat) is prohibited.

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