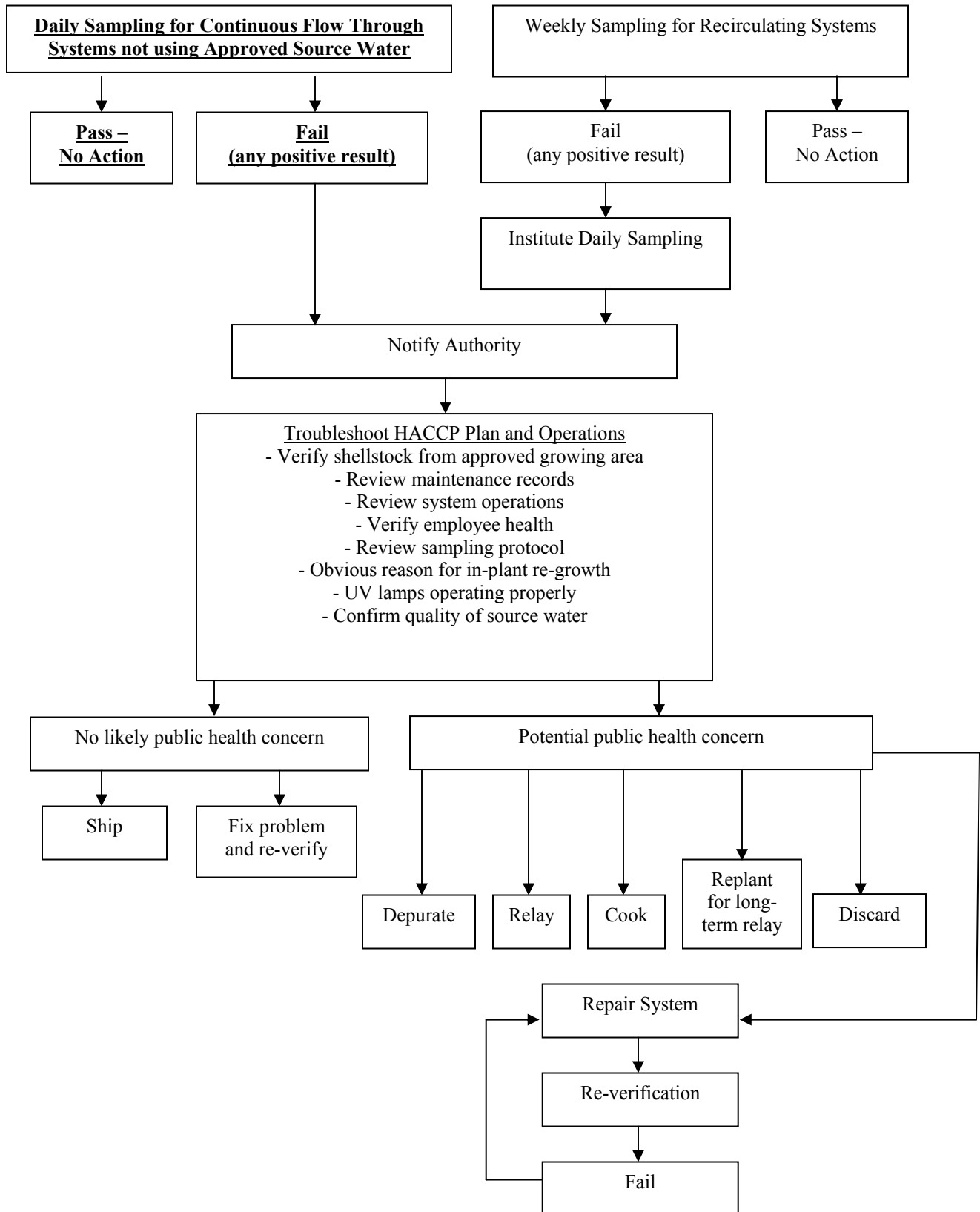


Proposal Subject	Protocol for Addressing Positive Coliform Sample in an Artificial Wet Storage Water Body
Specific NSSP Guide Reference	Guidance Documents Chapter III. Harvesting, Handling, Processing, Distribution .06 Protocol for Addressing Positive Coliform Sample in an Artificial Wet Storage Water Body
Text of Proposal/ Requested Action	Revise flow diagram and associated 508 compliance language.
Public Health Significance	Model Ordinance Chapter X. 09.C. (2) requires daily sampling for continuous flow through systems not using source water from approved growing areas or conditionally approved growing areas in the open status and Model Ordinance Chapter X. 09. C. (3) requires weekly sampling for recirculating wet storage systems in order to demonstrate that the disinfected water is negative for the coliform group. The current flow diagram shows only the procedures to be followed when a positive coliform sample is found in a recirculating wet storage system. Therefore, the flow diagram should be revised to include procedures for both types of wet storage systems when a positive coliform sample is found. A suggested revision is attached, but consideration should also be given to decisions made regarding Proposal 05-205 which may alter the language associated with wet storage requirements. Additionally, text was added after the flow chart in the 2005 Revision of the NSSP Guide to the Control of Molluscan Shellfish to ensure compliance with requirements under Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act, which requires Federal agencies to make their electronic and information technology accessible to people with disabilities. If the flow chart is revised, this language should then also be updated.
Cost Information (if available)	None
Action by 2007 Task Force II	Recommended adoption of Proposal 07-208 as submitted.
Action by 2007 General Assembly	Adopted recommendation of 2007 Task Force II.
Action by USFDA	December 20, 2007 Concurred with Conference action.

NSSP Guidance Documents Chapter III. Harvesting, Handling, Processing, and Distribution
 .06 Protocol for Addressing Positive Coliform Sample in an Artificial Wet Storage Water Body



Description: Flow chart showing the protocol for addressing positive coliform results in artificial wet storage water bodies.

Collect weekly water samples for recirculating systems and daily samples for continuous flow through systems not using an approved water source.

If the water sample is negative for coliforms in either system, no action is required.

If the water sample is positive for coliforms in the recirculating system, institute daily sampling.

~~notify~~ The authority should be notified of a failure in either system. ~~and~~

Troubleshoot the HACCP Plan and operations by

- (1) Verifying that shellstock is from an approved growing area,
- (2) Reviewing maintenance records,
- (3) Reviewing system operations,
- (4) Verifying employee health,
- (5) Reviewing the sampling protocol,
- (6) Looking for an obvious reason for in-plant re-growth,
- (7) Determining that UV lamps are operating properly, and
- (8) Confirming the quality of the source water.

If no likely public health concern is found after troubleshooting, the product may be shipped and the problem causing the positive coliform result shall be fixed. Once fixed, re-verify through sampling that the system's water quality is acceptable.

If a potential public health concern is found after troubleshooting, the product may be depurated, relayed, cooked, replanted for long-term relay, or discarded and the problem causing the positive coliform result shall be repaired. Once repaired, re-verify through sampling that the system's water quality is acceptable. If the system fails after re-verification, attempts to repair the system must be made until the re-verification demonstrates acceptable water quality.