

Proposal for Task Force Consideration at the 2009 Biennial Meeting Interstate Shellfish Sanitation Conference		<input type="checkbox"/> Growing Area <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Harvesting/Handling/Distribution <input type="checkbox"/> Administrative
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Proposal Subject:	Prohibit Commingling of In-shell Product.	
Specific NSSP Guide Reference:	NSSP Guide Section II Model Ordinance Chapter I. Shellfish Sanitation Program @.01 Administration	
Text of Proposal/ Requested Action	<p>G. Commingling.</p> <p>(1) Except for any shellstock included in the Authority's commingling plan, the Authority shall not permit the commingling of shellstock.</p> <p>(2) If the Authority permits shellstock commingling, the Authority shall develop a commingling management plan. The plan shall:</p> <p>(a) Minimize the commingling dates of harvest and growing areas;</p> <p>(b) Define a primary dealer;</p> <p>(c) Limit the practice of commingling to primary dealers;</p> <p>(d) Limit commingling to shellstock harvested from specific growing areas within the State as identified by the Authority and purchased directly from harvesters; and</p> <p>(e) Define how the commingled shellstock will be identified.</p> <p><u>(3). The Authority shall not permit the commingling of in-shell product.</u></p>	
Public Health Significance:	There is currently no restriction on commingling of in-shell product in the Model Ordinance. The proposed change provides such a restriction.	
Cost Information (if available):	None.	