

<b>Proposal for Task Force Consideration at the 2009 Biennial Meeting Interstate Shellfish Sanitation Conference</b>		<input type="checkbox"/> Growing Area <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Harvesting/Handling/Distribution <input type="checkbox"/> Administrative
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<b>Proposal Subject:</b>	Continuing Education Requirement for Licensed Shellfish Harvesters	
<b>Specific NSSP Guide Reference:</b>	NSSP Guide Section II. Model Ordinance Chapter VIII. Control of Shellfish Harvesting @.01 Control of Shellstock Growing Areas	
<b>Text of Proposal/ Requested Action</b>	<p>C. Licensing of Harvesting</p> <p>(1) The Authority shall assure that a license is required to commercially harvest shellstock, including shellstock harvested from aquaculture.</p> <p>(2) Each license shall:</p> <p>(a) Not be valid for more than one year;</p> <p><b>(b) <u>Require the harvester to complete 3 hours annually of continuing education hours to attain a harvester license from the Authority Continuing Education hours could include attendance at ISSC meetings, attendance at regional shellfish sanitation conferences, attendance at regional shellfish association meetings, or any other conference or meeting approved by the Authority.</u></b></p> <p><del>(bc)</del> Require the harvester to sell only to dealers listed on the Interstate Certified Shellfish Shippers List; and</p> <p><del>(ed)</del> Allow the harvester, at his discretion, to place shellstock in containers for transport of shellstock from a growing area to land or to a dealer.</p>	
<b>Public Health Significance:</b>	This requirement will better inform licensed shellfish harvesters of new guidelines set forth in the NSSP.	
<b>Cost Information (if available):</b>	The cost would include registration fee and certification certificate for the licensed harvester to attend a continuing education course.	