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Proposal for Task Force Consideration at the ISSC 2027 Biennial Meeting *(Tab to go to next field)*	1. a. ☐ Growing Area b. X Harvesting/Handling/Distribution c. ☐ Administrative
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9. Proposal Subject	Directly Plumbed Handwash Sinks
10. Specific NSSP Guide Reference	Section I. Purposes & Definitions, Definitions Section II Model Ordinance; Chapter XI. Shucking and Packing, Chapter XII. Repacking of Shucked Shellfish, Chapter XIII. Shellstock Shipping, Chapter XIV. Reshipping, Chapter XV. Depuration; .02 Sanitation, D. Maintenance of Hand Washing and Toilet Facilities
11. Text of Proposal/ Requested Action	Section I. Purposes and Definitions, Definitions **(3) Air Gap** means the unobstructed vertical distance (at least twice the diameter of the largest supplying pipe) through the free atmosphere between the lowest opening from any pipe or faucet supplying water to a sink, tank, plumbing fixture, drain or other device and the flood level rim of that receptacle. Chapter XI. Shucking and Packing D. Maintenance of Hand Washing and Toilet Facilities. (1) Hand washing facilities with warm water at a minimum temperature of 100 °F (37.8 °C), dispensed from a hot and cold mixing or combination faucet, shall be provided. [SK/0] (~~2~~a) Hand washing facilities shall be provided which are: (~~a~~i) Convenient to work areas; [O] (~~b~~ii) Separate from the three (3) compartment sinks used for cleaning equipment and utensils; [K] (~~c~~iii) Directly plumbed to an approved sewage disposal system or drained after an air gap directly into the floor drain of an approved sewage disposal system; and[SO/K] (~~d~~iv) Adequate in number and size for the number of employees, and located where supervisors can observe employee use; [K] (~~3~~b) The dealer shall provide at least one (1) hand sink in the packing room. [O] (~~4~~c) The dealer shall provide at each hand washing facility: (~~a~~i) Supply of hand cleansing soap or detergent; [K] (~~b~~ii) Conveniently located supply of single service towels in a suitable dispenser or a hand drying device that provides heated air; [O] (~~c~~iii) Easily cleanable waste receptacle; and [O] (~~d~~iv) Hand washing signs in a language understood by the employees; [O] (~~5~~2) Sewage [C] and liquid disposable wastes shall be properly removed from the facility [K] (~~6~~3) The dealer shall provide: (a) Toilet room doors that are tight fitting, self-closing, and do not open directly into a processing area; [K] (b) An adequate number of conveniently located, toilets; and [K]

(c) Each toilet facility with an adequate supply of toilet paper. [K]

Chapter XII. Repacking
D. Maintenance of Hand Washing and Toilet Facilities.
(1) Hand washing facilities with warm water at a minimum temperature of 100 °F (37.8 °C) dispensed from a hot and cold mixing or combination faucet shall be provided. [SK/O]
(a) Hand washing facilities shall be provided which are:
(i) Convenient to work areas; [O]
(ii) Separate from the three (3) compartment sinks used for cleaning equipment and utensils; [K]
(iii) Directly plumbed to an approved sewage disposal system or drained after an air gap directly into the floor drain of an approved sewage disposal system; and[SK/O]
(iv) Adequate in number and size for the number of employees, and located where supervisors can observe employee use; [K]

Chapter XIII. Shellstock Shipping
D. Maintenance of Hand Washing and Toilet Facilities.
(1) Handwashing facilities with warm water at a minimum temperature of 100 °F (37.8 °C), dispensed from a hot and cold mixing or combination faucet, shall be provided. [SK/O]
(a) Handwashing facilities shall be provided which are:
(i) Convenient to work areas; [O]
(ii) Separate from the three (3) compartment sinks used for cleaning equipment and utensils; [K]
(iii) Directly plumbed to an approved sewage disposal system or drained after an air gap directly into the floor drain of an approved sewage disposal system; and [SO/K]
(iv) Adequate in number and size for the number of employees, and located where supervisors can observe employee use. [K]

Chapter XIV. Reshipping
D. Maintenance of Hand Washing and Toilet Facilities.
(1) Hand washing facilities with warm water at a minimum temperature of 100 °F (37.8 °C), dispensed from a hot and cold mixing or combination faucet, shall be provided. [SK/O]
(a) Hand washing facilities shall be provided which are:
(i) Convenient to work areas; [O]
(ii) Separate from the three (3) compartment sinks used for cleaning equipment and utensils; [K]
(iii) Directly plumbed to an approved sewage disposal system or drained after an air gap directly into the floor drain of an approved sewage disposal system; and [SK/O]
(iv) Adequate in number and size for the number of employees, and located where supervisors can observe employee use. [K]

Chapter XV. Depuration
D. Maintenance of Hand Washing and Toilet Facilities
(1) Hand washing facilities with warm water at a minimum temperature of 100 °F (37.8°C), dispensed from a hot and cold mixing or combination faucet, shall be provided. [SK/O]
(~~2~~a) Hand washing facilities shall be provided which are:
(~~a~~i) Convenient to work areas; [O]

	(~~b~~ii) Separate from the three (3) compartment sinks used for cleaning equipment and utensils; [K] (~~c~~iii) Directly plumbed to an approved sewage disposal system or drained after an air gap directly into the floor drain of an approved sewage disposal system; and [SK/O] (~~d~~iv) Adequate in number and size for the number of employees, and located where supervisors can observe employee use. [K] (~~3~~b) The dealer shall provide at each hand washing facility: (~~a~~i) Supply of hand cleansing soap or detergent; [K] (~~b~~ii) Conveniently located supply of single service towels in a suitable dispenser or a hand drying device that provides heated air; [O] (~~c~~iii) Easily cleanable waste receptacle; and [O] (~~d~~iv) Hand washing signs in a language understood by the employees. [O] (~~4~~2) Sewage [C] and liquid disposable wastes [K] shall be properly removed from the facility. (~~5~~3) The dealer shall provide: (a) Toilet room doors that are tight fitting, self-closing, and do not open directly into a processing area; [K] (b) An adequate number of conveniently located toilets; and [K] (c) Each toilet facility with an adequate supply of toilet paper. [K]
12. Public Health Significance	The current requirement that handwashing sinks be directly plumbed into a sewage disposal system is not necessary and currently is not enforced by many states because it is not consistent with standard plumbing practices, which often use an air gap between the sink drain and a floor drain to prevent backflow into the sink. As long as the handwashing sink is drained directly into the floor drain, an air gap between the sink drain and the floor drain is an accepted sanitary practice. This proposal will make this part of the Model Ordinance consistent with plumbing methods already being practiced at dealer facilities in many states. This proposal also takes the opportunity to standardize the formatting of these requirements across the dealer chapters, because currently there are two different ways these requirements are formatted across those five chapters.
13. Cost Information	None
14. Changes Needed to Guidance (if proposed change is adopted)	None