

Emergency Approved 2025 - 2026 Public Oyster Harvest Season

PLEASE CONSULT VMRC REGULATION 4VAC 20-720 PRIOR TO HARVESTING

Area	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May
James								
Clean Cull	HT*	HT	HT	HT	HT	HT	HT	HT
Area 1,2,3	HT* HS*	HS*	HS*	HS*	HS*	HS*	HT	HT
White Shoal	HT*	HS*	HS*	HS*	HS*	HT	HT	HT
Seed Oysters	HT*	HT	HT	HT	HT	HT	HT	HT
York HTA	HT*	HT	HT	HT	HT	HT		
York 1 and 2	HT*	HT	HT	HT	HT	HT		
Mobjack/Piankatank	HT*	HT	HT	HT	HS*	HS*		
Milford Haven			HT	HT	HT			
CBPT Area		PT*	PT*	PT*	PT*	PT*		
Deep Rk		PT*	PT*	PT*	PT*	PT*		
Rappahannock								
Area 2					HS*	HS*		
Area 4	HS*	HS*						
Area 7			HS*					
Area 8				HS*		HS*		
Area 9	HT*	HT	HT	HT	HT	HT		
Corrotoman HTA	HT*	HT	HT	HT	HT	HT		
Great Wicomico 1			HS*					
Great Wicomico 2				HS*				
Blackberry Hangs					HS*	HS*		
Little Wicomico	HT*	HT	HT					
Nomini River	HT*	HT	HT					
Indian Creek	HT*	HT	HT	HT	HT	HT		
Poco Area 1			DR*	DR*	DR*	DR*		
Tangier Area 1			DR*	DR*	DR*	DR*		
Tangier Thorofare		DR*						
Poco Area 10	HT*	HT	HT	HT	HT	HS*	HT	
Poco Sound HTAs	HT*	HT	HT	HT	HT	HT		
Seaside ES		By Hand	By Hand	By Hand	By Hand	By Hand		
		HT	HT	HT	HT	HT		
HT	HS		DR		PT		By Hand	
Hand Tong	Hand Scrape		Dredge		Patent Tong			
* harvest ends at noon/ 11am in October					Online Mandatory Reporting Codes HT = OT HS = OSCR DR = OYDRD PT = PTOYS BY HAND = OYHND			
Bushel Limits								
8 bushel limit HS/DR/PT - 16 BU. Vessel limit								
14 bushel limit HT/By Hand - 28 BU. Vessel limit								
https://webapps.mrc.virginia.gov/harvest/								

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