**§6731. Mahogany quahogs**

**1. License required.**  Except as provided in subsection 3, a person may not engage in the activities authorized under this section without a current mahogany quahog license.

[PL 2001, c. 421, Pt. B, §42 (AMD); PL 2001, c. 421, Pt. C, §1 (AFF).]

**2. Licensed activities.**  The holder of a mahogany quahog license may:

A. Fish for or take mahogany quahogs in any harvesting area indicated on the license; [PL 1989, c. 828, §2 (NEW).]

B. Possess or transport mahogany quahogs within the State; or [PL 2005, c. 434, §7 (AMD).]

C. Sell mahogany quahogs that the holder has taken to a wholesale seafood license holder certified under section 6856 or an enhanced retail certificate holder under section 6852, subsection 2‑A. [PL 2011, c. 598, §32 (AMD).]

The license authorizes crew members aboard the licensee's boat to undertake these activities when engaged in dragging for mahogany quahogs if the licensee is present.

[PL 2011, c. 598, §32 (AMD).]

**3. Personal use exception.**  A person may take or possess no more than 3 bushels of mahogany quahogs for personal use in one day without a license.

[PL 2001, c. 421, Pt. B, §42 (AMD); PL 2001, c. 421, Pt. C, §1 (AFF).]

**4. Fee.**  The fee for a mahogany quahog license is $128. Fees collected pursuant to this section must be deposited in the General Fund.

[PL 2009, c. 213, Pt. G, §20 (AMD).]

**5. Conditions.**  Each licensee may participate in the monitoring program established in section 6731‑A within the harvest area indicated on the license. The holder of a mahogany quahog license shall comply with all other conditions of licensing established by the commissioner.

[PL 1989, c. 828, §3 (NEW).]

**6. Violation.**  A person who violates this section commits a civil violation for which a forfeiture of not less than $100 nor more than $500 may be adjudged.

[PL 2001, c. 421, Pt. B, §42 (NEW); PL 2001, c. 421, Pt. C, §1 (AFF).]

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