

SCHEDULE 3

Regulation 3

CONDITIONS FOR PRODUCTION AREAS

PART 1

class a areas

An area from which live bivalve molluscs can be gathered for direct human consumption provided such molluscs satisfy the requirements specified in Schedule 5.

PART 2

class b areas

An area from which live bivalve molluscs may—

- (a) be gathered but only placed on the market for human consumption after treatment in a purification centre or after relaying, or
- (b) used for relaying providing such relaying is followed by purification, or
- (c) be heat treated by an approved process in an establishment approved for the purposes of the Food Safety (Fishery Products) Regulations 1992.

Conditions in relation to a class B area

1. Prior to relaying or treatment in a purification centre or heat treatment, live bivalve molluscs from these areas must not exceed in 90% of samples the limits of either—

- (a) a five-tube, three-dilution MPN-test of 6000 faecal coliforms per 100 grammes of flesh, or
- (b) 4,600 E.Coli per 100 grammes of flesh.

2. After relaying or purification such molluscs must satisfy the requirements specified in Schedule.

PART 3

class c areas

An area from which live bivalve molluscs can be gathered but placed on the market for human consumption only after—

- (a) a relaying period of at least 2 months, whether or not such relaying is combined with purification, or
- (b) intensive purification.
- (c) heat treatment by an approved process in an establishment approved for the purposes of the Food Safety (Fishery Products) Regulations 1992.

Conditions in relation to a class C area

1. Such molluscs must not, prior to relaying and any periods of purification or heat treatment, exceed the limits of a five-tube, three-dilution MPN-test of 60,000 faecal coliforms per 100 grammes of flesh.

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2. For the purpose of this Schedule “intensive purification” means purification at an approved purification centre for a period and in accordance with such operating conditions as may have been previously approved by the Ministers.

3. Such molluscs must, after relaying and any period of purification, satisfy the requirements specified in Schedule 5.

PART 4

relaying areas

An area of either Class A or Class B areas from which live bivalve molluscs can be gathered.