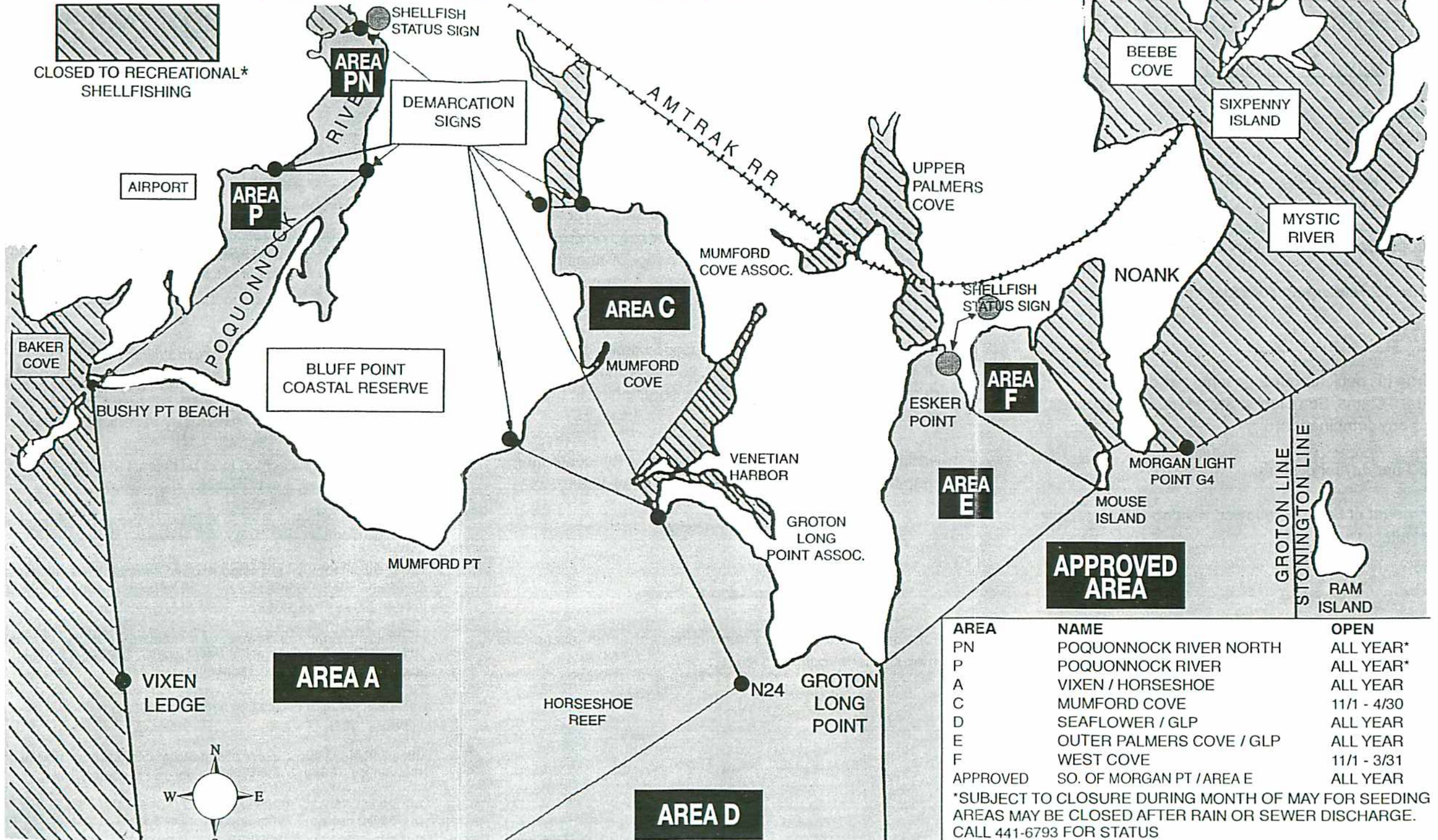


GROTON RECREATIONAL SHELLFISH AREAS

FOR STATUS CALL 441-6793



PERMIT FEES EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 1995

TIME PERIOD	RESIDENT	NON-RESIDENT
Daily	\$ 5.00	\$ 8.00
Weekly	10.00	15.00
Monthly	12.00	20.00
Yearly	25.00	35.00
Oysters (Daily)	5.00	8.00
Seniors (65 yrs.) (Yearly)	10.00	20.00

Scallops (Daily) Rate will vary depending on season.

Anyone 12 years of age or older must have a permit.

QUOTAS:

- One (1) peck (about 2 gallons) per day for Hard Clams, Sea Clams, Steamers, Blue Mussels, or any combination.
- 30 per day for oysters.
- Amount of Scallops allowed will depend on supply available.

TOWN OF GROTON SHELLFISH COMMISSION

This pamphlet contains regulations governing recreational shellfishing in the Town of Groton. The map on the reverse side shows the areas where recreational shellfishing is permitted. Commercial shellfishing is permitted in areas not readily accessible to recreational shellfishing provided the State and Town permits are obtained. Income to the Groton Shellfish Commission is used to defray the expense of mandated shellfish patrols and to support programs designed to enhance recreational shellfishing in the Town of Groton.

Additional Information may be obtained by contacting a member of the Shellfish Commission or by writing to:

Groton Shellfish Commission
Town of Groton
45 Fort Hill Road
Groton, CT 06340-4393

For the current status of recreational shellfish areas (see map on back) call: 441-6793.

REGULATIONS FOR HARVESTING CLAMS, MUSSELS, OYSTERS

Under the provisions of Chapter 492 Section 26-257a and 26-290 of the State of Connecticut General Statutes, The Groton Shellfish Commission has adopted the following regulations concerning the taking of clams, mussels, and oysters in the open and conditionally open waters of the Town of Groton.

It is illegal to offer shellfish for sale or barter or to be served to the general public.

No person shall take any clams, mussels, or oysters from town waters without first obtaining a permit issued by the Shellfish Commission. All persons 12 years of age and older need a permit.

Shellfish may only be taken from open or conditionally open waters. Call 441-6793 for status.

Shellfishing is permitted only between sunrise and sunset.

Daily limits for Recreational Shellfishing shall be one peck per day, per person, for Hard Clams, Steamers, Sea Clams, Mussels, or any combination. Daily limit for Oysters is 30 Oysters. Oyster season is closed from May 1 through August 31.

All clams (hard or steamer) must be at least 2" in length; i.e., can be retained on a 2" inside diameter ring.

All oysters must be at least 3" in length; i.e., can be retained on a 3" inside diameter ring. Daily limit of oysters is 30 oysters.

The shellfish permits and catch must be immediately available for inspection upon request of a shellfish warden, or enforcement officer of the Town of Groton or State of Connecticut.

All shellfish illegally taken must be immediately returned to waters at least 18 inches deep at low tide. Shellfish should be buried to avoid being eaten by water fowl.

No shovels or spades shall be used for digging any species of clams.

Taking of shellfish by Scuba Diving is prohibited unless special permission is granted by the Groton Shellfish Commission.

Any person who violated any shellfish regulation is subject to a fine of \$50.00 pre violation or imprisonment for not more than 30 days or both.