SUQUAMISH TRIBE INTERTIDAL CLAM HARVEST REGULATION

AFFECTED ORGANIZATIONS: WDFW, DOH,
REGULATION NUMBER: 26-100s clams & oysters
REGULATION SUPERSEDED/MODIFIED: None

DATE ADOPTED: June 15, 2026
EFFECTIVE DATE: Immediately

FISHERY TYPE: Ceremonial & Subsistence

SPECIES: Littleneck clams, Manila clams, Butter Clams, Horse Clams, Cockles, Pacific oysters, Varnish clams, Mussels

LEGAL GEAR: Hand held fork or rake or hand pick

QUOTA (all clams in-shell, per tribal member per day):
Littleneck and Manila Clams: 25 pounds
Cockles: 20 pounds
Horse Clams: 10 clams
Oysters: 3 dozen
Geoduck: 1 clam
Butter clams: 20 pounds
Varnish clams: 25 pounds
Mussels: 25 pounds

PERMIT REQUIREMENTS:
You do not need a permit to harvest clams or oysters on the beaches listed below for subsistence. Permits are required to harvest ceremonial quantities – please contact the fisheries office a few days in advance if you need a ceremonial harvest permit. **Reporting harvest totals is required**, and please report all totals to the fisheries office within 72 hours of harvest.

SHELLFISH BEACH AND CATCH AREAS OPENED UNDER THIS REGULATION:

- Jeff Head Beach # 260280 - Closed for Cockles
- East Indianola Beach # 260290 - Closed for Cockles
- Tribal Center Beach #260473 – Closed for Cockles and Oysters
- Anna Smith Children's Park #260517
- Clam Island (Dyes Inlet) # 260540
- Fay Bainbridge Park #260260
- South Pt. Monroe # 260262

- ~~Shine Tidelands #250512~~ Closed due to biotoxins
- ~~Wolfe Property State Park #250510~~ Closed due to biotoxins
- ~~Indian Island County Park #250410~~ Closed due to biotoxins
- Illahee State Park #260380

Ceremonial only (permit required):

- EP18 Paul Benjamin #26C/EP18

Openings are subject to biotoxin test results. Please check this regulation prior to harvesting for updates and beach closures due to biotoxin or growing area closure.

ACCESS: Access for all beaches is through public upland areas or by boat. Suquamish beaches are accessible through upland properties owned by the Tribe. Trespassing across private property strictly prohibited and will be enforced.

HARVESTING REQUIREMENTS:

- All shellfish harvests under this regulation are for subsistence use only; it is illegal to sell shellfish harvested for subsistence use.
- All diggers must have in their possession their fisher ID card with a current 2025 shellfish sticker and have paid all outstanding taxes in order to harvest.
- Displaced clams that are not kept must be returned in holes and all holes must be covered before harvesters leave the beach.
- It is unlawful to leave any litter on the beach.
- Harvesters must call the fisheries office to report their harvest or lack thereof.

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