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To all interested parties:

### **Updated Classifications of the Bivalve Mollusc Production Areas in England & Wales for 2018-19**

The Food Standards Agency wishes to notify you of the following update to the classifications of bivalve mollusc production areas for the classification year July 2018 to June 2019:

### **Reclassifications**

#### **Helford – East of Groyne Point (*C. gigas* and *O. edulis*) B034Q**

This bed is currently listed as declassified B-LT note 7. The Local Authority has advised that there is renewed commercial interest in this site and have recommenced regular sampling. This site has been on the declassified list since May 2017, so just exceeded the two-year limit prior to monthly sampling recommencing. Historical compliance for this site is very good at Class B. Monitoring over the past four months are all within class B limits. This bed is therefore reclassified at class B (it no longer meets with B-LT criteria) note 1.

#### **Helford – South of Porth Navas Bar (*C. gigas* and *O. edulis*) B34AG**

This bed is currently listed as declassified B-LT note 7. As above, the local authority has advised that there is renewed commercial interest here and so they have recommenced regular sampling. Sampling has been moved to the RMP at Pedn Billy, which was designated during the sanitary survey conducted in 2014. This site has also been on the declassified list since May 2017, so just exceeds the two-year limit prior to monthly sampling recommencing. Monitoring over the past four months are all within class B limits. This bed is therefore reclassified at class B (it no longer meets with B-LT criteria) note 1.

### **Declassifications**

#### **Upper Fal – Turnaware Pontoon/South Wood (*Mytilus* spp.) B033Z**

The Local Authority has requested this bed (currently class C) is added to the declassified list as it is no longer commercially active. Quarterly sampling will be maintained. This bed is added to the declassified list as C note 2.

## Beds now meeting B-LT criteria

Data from the following beds now meet with the criteria for long term B classification, therefore they are all given B-LT status:

- At least 40 results available over the last 5-year period
- Sites must show 90% or better compliance with 4,600 *E. coli*/100g
- Sites must not have returned a result >46,000 in the last 5-year period

RMP	Production Area	Bed Name	Council	Species	Classification	Total no of results (1 Year)	Total no of results (5 Years)	Max Ecoli	% Compliance with 4600 1Year	% Compliance with 4600 3 Year	% Compliance with 4600 5 Year
B076N	Swale	Swale Inner North	Swale BC	<i>C. gigas</i>	B	51	10	13000	90.0	96.7	90.2
B076O	Swale	Swale Inner South	Swale BC	<i>C. gigas</i>	B	51	10	7900	100.0	100.0	98.0
B13AE	West Mersea	Tollesbury – Old Hall Creek	Maldon DC	<i>C. gigas</i> , <i>O. edulis</i> & <i>M. mercenaria</i>	B	62	13	2300	100.0	100.0	100.0
B014A	Blackwater	St Peters & Batchelor	Maldon DC	<i>O. edulis</i> and <i>C. gigas</i>	B	59	11	780	100.0	100.0	100.0
B014U	Blackwater	Osea South	Maldon DC	<i>O. edulis</i> and <i>C. gigas</i>	B	59	12	14000	100.0	97.2	93.2
B014Y	Blackwater	Ray Channel	Maldon DC	<i>O. edulis</i> and <i>C. gigas</i>	B	58	12	780	100.0	100.0	100.0
B15AA	Crouch	Fambridge	Maldon DC	<i>C. gigas</i>	B	57	11	7900	90.9	93.9	93.0
B73AE	Roach	Middleway	London PHA	<i>Mytilus</i> spp., <i>M. mercenaria</i> , <i>C. gigas</i> & <i>O. edulis</i>	B	62	13	13000	100.0	97.2	93.5
B26BH	Exe	Dawlish to Starcross	Teignbridge DC	<i>Mytilus</i> spp.	B	57	10	24000	90.0	93.9	91.2
B27AC	Teign	Gas Works	Teignbridge DC	<i>Mytilus</i> spp.	B	56	11	7900	90.9	97.0	96.4
B033E	Fal (Upper)	Grimes Bar	Cornwall PHA	<i>O. edulis</i> and <i>C. gigas</i>	B	60	11	35000	90.9	91.7	90.0

B033Y	Fal (Upper)	R Pontoon/Tregothnan	Cornwall PHA	<i>Mytilus</i> spp.	B	58	11	24000	90.9	94.3	94.8
B33BK	Fal (Lower)	St Just	Cornwall PHA	<i>Mytilus</i> spp.	B	50	10	16000	90.0	96.4	96.0
B33BL	Percuil	Percuil Relay	Cornwall PHA	<i>Mytilus</i> spp.	B	56	11	4900	90.9	96.8	96.4
B36AB	Taw/Torridge	Outer Estuary (Main Beds)	Torridge DC	<i>Mytilus</i> spp.	B	58	11	22000	100.0	97.1	91.4
B36AD	Taw/Torridge	Zeta Berth	North Devon DC	<i>C. gigas</i>	B	58	11	5400	100.0	100.0	98.3
B36AE	Taw/Torridge	Westleigh	North Devon DC	<i>C. gigas</i>	B	59	11	7900	100.0	100.0	98.3
B038T	Burry Inlet	Whiteford Point	Swansea C&CC	<i>C. edule</i>	B	57	12	16000	100.0	91.7	93.0
B038Z	Burry Inlet	Pwll	Carmarthenshire CC (Carmarthen)	<i>Mytilus</i> spp.	B	56	11	13000	90.9	97.0	98.2
B044T	Conwy	Conwy Bridge	Conwy CBC	<i>Mytilus</i> spp.	B	56	11	13000	100.0	97.1	98.2
B058R	Liverpool Bay	Leasowe and New Brighton	Mersey PHA	<i>C. edule</i>	B	44	18	35000	94.4	92.5	93.2
B48AX	Morecambe Bay - Roosebeck	Roosebeck Bed 1	South Lakeland DC	<i>C. gigas</i>	B	47	12	17000	100.0	97.1	97.9
B48AY	Morecambe Bay - Roosebeck	Central West	South Lakeland DC	<i>C. edule</i>	B	43	11	3300	100.0	100.0	100.0
B48AZ	Morecambe Bay - Roosebeck	Central East	South Lakeland DC	<i>C. edule</i>	B	48	11	7900	100.0	100.0	97.9

## DESIGNATED BIVALVE MOLLUSC PRODUCTION AREAS IN ENGLAND AND WALES

### Reclassifications

Production Area	Bed Name	Species	Class	Comment	Food Authority
Helford	East of Groyne Point	<i>O. edulis</i> & <i>C. gigas</i>	B	1	Cornwall PHA
Helford	South of Porth Navas Bar	<i>O. edulis</i> & <i>C. gigas</i>	B	1	Cornwall PHA

### Declassifications

Production Area	Bed Name	Species	Class	Comment	Food Authority
Fal (Upper)	Turnaware Pontoon/ South Wood	<i>Mytilus spp.</i>	Declassified C	2	Cornwall PHA

These amendments have been made under Regulation (EC) 854/2004 and take immediate effect.

The classification list will be updated shortly on the FSA website:

<https://www.food.gov.uk/enforcement/monitoring/shellfish/shellharvestareas>

If you require further information or wish to discuss these amendments further, please contact Catherine Miller or David Cracknell on the details below.

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