

Shellfish Farm Environmental Plan (SHEP)

Self-Assessment¹

Member Name:	
Land File Number:	
Tenure Location:	

Floatation			
Objective: The member must ensure that if expanded polystyrene foam is used for floatation, that it is securely wrapped in containment material so that it remains intact. Any floatation material that is degrading or not in use is to be removed from the farm site. All new floatation must be made of heavy duty durable rigid material e.g. plastic, concrete or aluminium. The objective is to ensure that expanded polystyrene foam does not escape the farm site.			
1) Do you have floatation on your site?		YES ☐	NO ☐
2) If NO skip to “Debris” Section next page; If YES, describe floatation by completing Table below.			
3) List all types of floatation present on your site.			
Structure	Number	Floatation (e.g. bare foam, Tyvek wrapped, hard case wrapped foam, air filled billet, mixed)	Age (Yrs)
Culture Rafts			
FLUPSYs			
Work Floats			
Other (please describe)			
4) Comparing your above answers to the stated objective above do you believe this site is in compliance with the SHEP program?		YES ☐	NO ☐
5) If the answer is NO please indicate what your plan is to bring the entire site into compliance, under what time frame and if you need assistance to do so.			
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Debris			
Objective: The member must not store debris or leave any aquaculture equipment or structures on their farmed site unless the equipment or structures are to be used in that farm's current crop production cycle. The objective is to ensure that shellfish farms are not a source for the release of debris and are maintained in clean safe and sanitary manner.			
1) Do you have production equipment stored on site?		YES	NO
		☐	☐
2) List the types of equipment in your current crop production cycle (e.g. Trays, baskets, FLUPSY bins)			
3) Do you intend on using <u>all</u> the above equipment in your current crop production cycle?		YES	NO
		☐	☐
4) Do you have non-aquaculture equipment or boats stored or moored on your site?		YES	NO
		☐	☐
5) Are your structures in a good state of repair?		YES	NO
		☐	☐
6) Is your site kept in a neat and tidy state and visually acceptable for a working farm?		YES	NO
		☐	☐
7) Is this report for a lease with an intertidal (beach component)?		YES	NO
		☐	☐
8) If you answered YES above, are you storing equipment on untenured land above the high-water mark?		YES	NO
		☐	☐
9) Comparing your above answers to the stated objective above do you believe this site is in compliance with the SHEP program?		YES	NO
		☐	☐
10) If the answer is NO please indicate what your plan is to bring the entire site into compliance, under what time frame and if you need assistance to do so.			
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Predator Control							
Objective: The member must ensure that predator exclusion devices are constructed and maintained to prevent entrapment and avoid potential injury to fish species or wildlife. The objective is to eliminate harm or injury to fish or wildlife.							
1) What number <u>and</u> types of predator control devices do you have?							
2) How are your nets secured (e.g. dug around edge, round top pins etc.)?							
3) If you have crab prevention measures please describe how they are constructed (e.g.12" high plastic mesh fence)?							
4) Do you have regular visits from sea lions on top of equipment/rafts etc.?			<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>YES</th> <th>NO</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>☐</td> <td>☐</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	YES	NO	☐	☐
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5) If the above answer was YES, please indicate if you have any measures in place to prevent access and what measures those are.							
6) Do you have any other predator control measures which may cause entanglement or harm to wildlife?	<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>YES</th> <th>NO</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>☐</td> <td>☐</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>			YES	NO	☐	☐
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8) If the answer is NO please indicate what your plan is to bring the entire site into compliance, under what time frame and if you need assistance to do so.							

Attestation		
I confirm that all the information provided above is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge		
Signature of Farmer	Print Name	Date

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