

# SHELLSTOCK TAG INFORMATION REQUIREMENTS

The diagram shows a rectangular shellstock tag with the following fields and annotations:

- SALE TAG** (Header)
- ABC OYSTER CO.**  
123 Jones St.  
Seaside, NC 12345  
**NC 123 SP**  
Annotation: Dealer Name, Address, & Certification Number
- Original Shipper Cert. No.** TX-456-SS  
Annotation: Certification Number of original shipper of the shellfish *IF* that shipper is different from the shipper noted at top of tag.
- Harvest Date:** August 1, 2004  
Annotation: Harvest Date; may be mo/dy/yr, or Julian date (number of the day of the year).
- Harvest Area:** Cedar Creek, TX  
Annotation: Harvest Area may be a location name, number, letter, or combination of these, including initials of the state of harvest.
- Type & Quantity:** Oysters 1 bushel  
Annotation: Type of shellfish: oysters, clams, or mussels. Quantity can include number, volume, or weight.
- THIS TAG IS REQUIRED TO BE ATTACHED UNTIL CONTAINER IS EMPTY OR RETAGGED AND THEREAFTER KEPT ON FILE, IN CHRONOLOGICAL ORDER, FOR 90 DAYS. RETAILERS: DATE WHEN LAST SHELLFISH FROM THIS CONTAINER SOLD OR SERVED \_\_\_\_\_.**  
Annotation: 90 Day tag retention notice.
- KEEP REFRIGERATED**  
Annotation: Notice that product must remain refrigerated.
- CONSUMER ADVISORY**  
Eating raw, or undercooked oysters, clams, or mussels may cause severe illness. People with the following conditions are at especially high risk: liver disease, alcoholism, diabetes, cancer, stomach or blood disorder, or weakened immune system. Ask your doctor if you are unsure of your risk. If you eat raw, or undercooked shellfish and become sick, see a doctor immediately.  
Annotation: Consumer Advisory Notice.
- TO: Joe's Seafood NC 678 RS**  
Annotation: Space for Reshipper (receiving from dealer noted at top of tag) to add their name and certification number.

**ALL SHELLSTOCK TAGS MUST BE MADE OF WATERPROOF, TEAR RESISTANT MATERIAL, MUST CONTAIN LEGIBLE INFORMATION, AND MUST BE AT LEAST 5 1/4" X 2 5/8" or Tags be at least 13.8 square inches (89.03 cm<sup>2</sup>) in size.**

**TAGS MUST BE OF MANUFACTURED, PROFESSIONAL QUALITY. HANDMADE TAGS PRODUCED FROM SCRAPS OF PAPER OR OTHER MATERIAL ARE NOT ACCEPTABLE.**

**THE REQUIRED INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED ON TAGS MUST FOLLOW THE ORDER OF THE INFORMATION DISPLAYED ON THE EXAMPLE TAG SHOWN ABOVE. TAGS MAY HAVE INFORMATION CONTAINED ON ONE OR BOTH SIDES.**

**TAGS MAY BE PRINTED IN ANY COLOR AND ORIENTATION (VERTICAL OR HORIZONTAL).**

**THE SPACE ON THE TAG IN WHICH THE ORIGINAL SHIPPER'S CERTIFICATION NUMBER IS TO BE ENTERED CAN BE LEFT BLANK IF THE DEALER COMPLETING THE TAG IN QUESTION IS THE ORIGINAL SHIPPER (eg. THE DEALER DID NOT RECEIVE THE SHELLSTOCK FROM ANOTHER DEALER).**