

**§6863. Cultchless American oyster growers license**

A person may not grow cultchless American oysters in the State unless licensed under this section, except that a person who is the holder of a lease issued under section 6072, 6072-A or 6072-B that authorizes the culture of American oysters or a license issued under section 6072-C that authorizes the culture of American oysters is not required to obtain a cultchless American oyster growers license. [PL 2013, c. 509, §10 (AMD).]

**1. Definitions.** For the purposes of this Part, the term "cultchless" means the absence, at the shell hinge, of foreign material or a scar and the term "American oyster" means the genus and species *Crassostrea virginica*.

[PL 1991, c. 876, §2 (NEW).]

**2. License.** The commissioner shall establish by rule the criteria for a cultchless American oyster growers license.

[PL 1991, c. 876, §2 (NEW).]

**3. Fee.** The annual fee for a cultchless American oyster growers license is \$12.

[PL 2009, c. 213, Pt. G, §43 (AMD).]

**4. Penalty.** A person who violates this section commits a civil violation for which a forfeiture of not less than \$100 and not more than \$500 may be adjudged.

[PL 1999, c. 771, Pt. B, §11 (NEW); PL 1999, c. 771, Pt. D, §§1,2 (AFF).]

**SECTION HISTORY**

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