

**15A NCAC 030 .0211 FISHING GEAR REQUIREMENTS FOR SHELLFISH LEASES AND FRANCHISES**

(a) It shall be unlawful to use any trawl net, long haul seine, swipe net, dredge, or mechanical method for shellfish on any shellfish lease or franchise except:

- (1) for a holder of a Permit to Use Mechanical Methods for Shellfish on Shellfish Leases or Franchises; or
- (2) for the purpose of placing and retrieving cages, bags, or other aquaculture gear within any shellfish lease or franchise.

(b) Permits to Use Mechanical Methods for Shellfish on Shellfish Leases or Franchises shall be issued by the Division of Marine Fisheries in compliance with 15A NCAC 030 .0500.

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