

ment the sum of five dollars (\$5.00), and the Department shall then certify on the license that it has been validly transferred and the transfer fee paid.

(e) *Measurement of rig*—Each boat or rig shall have but one conveyor or elevator for taking soft shell clams. Each boat or rig may be equipped with not more than one blade and one water manifold, the width between the exterior jets thereon not to exceed thirty-six (36) inches. The water jet pipe at each end of the manifold shall be set parallel to, or inclined inward toward, the median vertical longitudinal plane of the dredge.

(f) *Mufflers*—All hydraulic or mechanical clam dredges operating under the provisions of this section shall have properly installed mufflers on all engines used in the operation of said boat or hydraulic or mechanical clam dredge. The Department may require such modifications to the hydraulic or mechanical clam dredge and/or licensed dredge boats as may be demonstrated to be in the public interest. ~~through research in the Department of Research and Education and recommended for adoption by the latter agency.~~

(g) *Display of license*—The captain, master or operator of any licensed or mechanical dredge boat or rig for the taking of soft shell clams shall always have such license on board his boat while the same is in operation and shall exhibit the same whenever it shall be requested by any duly authorized officer or employee of the Department.

(h) *Daily catch limitation*—

It is unlawful for any person who is licensed in the State to take or catch soft shell clams and for any boat or rig licensed in the State for or used in the taking or catching of soft shell clams to take or catch more than forty (40) bushels of soft shell clams in any calendar day. The provisions of this section and of the other applicable sections of this subtitle shall be effective as to any clams landed in the State regardless of where the clams were taken or caught. Whenever the Potomac River Fisheries Commission under its regulatory powers establishes a daily catch limitation different from that set in this section or whenever in the judgment of the Department the interest of conservation or the clamming industry or both so require, the Department is authorized by regulation to change the daily limitation provided herein. The limitation imposed under this section is applicable to all clams caught or taken within the geographical limits of the State of Maryland.

(i) *Minimum size of soft shell clams*—It shall be unlawful for any person to have in his possession soft shell clams which contain more than five per centum (5%) per bushel of such clams measuring less than two (2) inches along the longest dimension across the shell.

(j) *Time for taking and landing*—It shall be unlawful for any person to take or catch, or attempt to take or catch, soft shell clams on Sunday, or between sunset and sunrise on any other day, or to land soft shell clams earlier than one hour before sunrise or later than one hour after sunset.

(k) *Prohibited areas*—It is unlawful to take or catch, or attempt to take or catch, soft shell clams with any hydraulic or mechanical dredge, or with any other type of gear, as follows: