

Bivalve Mollusc Production Areas in England and Wales: Sampling Plan

Production Area: Blackwater

Local Authority: Maldon DC

Classification

Classification zone	RMP*	RMP name	NGR	Latitude & Longitude (WGS84)	Species	Growing method	Harvesting technique	Sampling method	Tolerance	Frequency
Osea South	B014U	North Double Buoy	TL 8970 0620	51° 43.00' N 00° 44.80' E	Pacific oyster	Wild	Hand/dredge	Bagged	10m	Monthly
Goldhanger	B014V	Goldhanger	TL 9116 0795	51° 44.26' N 00° 46.03' E	Pacific oyster	Wild	Hand/dredge	Hand	100m	Monthly
Central Blackwater	B014W	Ramsey Marsh	TL 9351 0601	51° 43.10' N 00° 47.90' E	Pacific oyster	Wild	Hand/dredge	Hand	100m	Monthly
Outer Blackwater	B014X	Bradwell	TL 9954 0858	51° 44.42' N 00° 53.33' E	Pacific oyster	Wild	Hand/dredge	Dredge	100m	Monthly
St. Peters Flats	B14AD	St Peters Flats South West	TM 0406 0768	51° 43.84' N 00° 57.21' E	Pacific oyster	Wild	Hand/dredge	Dredge	100m	Monthly
St Peters & Bachelor	B014A	Bachelor Spit	TM 0880 0590	51° 42.78' N 01° 01.26' E	Native oyster	Wild	Dredge	Dredge	100m	Monthly (excluding May and June)
Ray Channel	B014Y	Ray Channel	TM 0644 0142	51° 40.41' N 00° 59.06' E	Native oyster	Wild	Dredge	Dredge	100m	Monthly (excluding May and June)
Buxey Sands and Dengie Flats	B14AA	Buxey Sands	TM 0720 0080	51° 40.07' N 00° 59.69' E	Cockle	Wild	Suction dredge	Hand/dredge	100m	Monthly

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Goldhanger	B014V	Goldhanger	TL 9116 0795	51° 44.26' N 00° 46.03' E	Pacific oyster	Four weekly	1 st April to 30 th Sept – Fortnightly 1 st Oct to 31 st Mar – Four weekly
St. Peters Flats	B14AD	St Peters Flats South West	TM 0406 0768	51° 43.84'N 00° 57.21'E	Pacific oyster	Four weekly	1 st April to 30 th Sept – Fortnightly 1 st Oct to 31 st Mar – Four weekly

Additional sampling requirements:

Under certain circumstances it may be necessary to request additional samples for the purposes of either classification or biotoxin monitoring. The criteria for requesting additional samples can be found within the relevant protocols at the links below:

- **Classification**

<https://www.cefas.co.uk/cefas-data-hub/food-safety/classification-and-microbiological-monitoring/england-and-wales-classification-and-monitoring/>
("Classification Protocol for England and Wales")

- **Biotoxin Monitoring**

<https://www.cefas.co.uk/cefas-data-hub/food-safety/the-shellfish-partnership/>

(under Harmonised protocols – collection protocols, **Shellfish** "From classified areas (England, Wales and Scotland)"

Water "From classified areas (England & Wales)

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