

Bivalve Mollusc Production Areas in England and Wales: Sampling Plan

Production Area: Liverpool Bay

Local Authority: Mersey PHA

Classification

Classification zone	RMP	RMP name	NGR	Latitude & Longitude (WGS84)	Species	Growing method	Harvesting technique	Sampling method	Tolerance	Frequency
Leasowe & New Brighton cockles	B058R	Harrison Drive East	SJ 2953 9425	53°26.42N 3°03.74W	<i>C. edule</i>	Wild stocks	Hand (rake)	Hand (rake)	100m	Quarterly

Biotoxin monitoring

Classification zone	RMP	RMP name	NGR	Latitude & Longitude (WGS84)	Species	Frequency of flesh sampling	Frequency of water sampling
Leasowe & New Brighton cockles	B058R	Harrison Drive East	SJ 2953 9425	53°26.42N 3°03.74W	<i>C. edule</i>	None currently	None currently

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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