

Bivalve Mollusc Production Areas in England and Wales: Sampling Plan

Production Area: North Kent Coast

Local Authority: Canterbury CC

Classification

Classification zone	RMP	RMP name	NGR	Latitude & Longitude (WGS84)	Species	Growing method	Harvesting technique	Sampling method	Tolerance	Frequency
Hampton Pier (mussels & Pacific oysters)	B17CB	Hampton Pier	TR 1570 6805	51°22.23'N 01°05.85'E	<i>Mytilus</i> spp.	Wild	Hand	Hand	50m	Monthly
Swalecliffe (mussels & Pacific oysters)	B17CC	Swalecliffe	TR 1349 6766	51°22.07'N 01°03.94'E	<i>Mytilus</i> spp.	Wild	Hand	Hand	50m	Monthly
Westbeach (Pacific oysters & native oysters)	B17BS	WOCO Westbeach	TR 1029 6690	51°21.73'N 01°01.16'E	<i>C. gigas</i>	Wild/ cultured	Hand	Hand	100m	Monthly
Not currently classified	B17CL	Tankerton East	TR1148 6744	51°22.00'N 1°2.20'E	<i>C. gigas</i>	Wild/ cultured	Hand	Hand	20m	Monthly
Not currently classified	B17CM	Tankerton West	TR 1087 6729	51°21.93'N 01°1.67'E	<i>C. gigas</i>	Wild/ cultured	Hand	Hand	20m	Monthly
Whitstable Bay (Pacific oysters & native oysters)	B17CE	Whitstable Bay	TR 0915 6743	51°22.04'N 01°0.19'E	<i>C. gigas</i>	Wild	Dredge	Dredge	100m	Monthly from July to April inclusive
Off Leysdown (native oysters)	B17CF	Off Leysdown	TR 0793 7295	51°25.05'N 00°59.34'E	<i>O. edulis</i>	Wild	Dredge	Dredge	100m	Monthly from July to April inclusive

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Kentish Flats (native oysters)	B17AL	Btwn Leysdown & Spaniard	TR 0970 7410	51°25.63'N 01°00.90'E	<i>O. edulis</i>	Wild	Dredge	Dredge	100m	Monthly from July to April inclusive
Pollard (cockles and Manila clams)	B17CG	Pollard	TR 0699 6561	51°21.11'N 00°58.27'E	<i>C. edule</i>	Wild	Hand	Hand	50m	Monthly
Swale Entrance (cockle & Manila clams)	B076H	Swale BC/8	TR 0560 6840	51°22.64'N 00°57.17'E	<i>Mytilus</i> spp.	Wild	Dredge	Dredge	100m	Monthly

Biotoxin monitoring

Classification zone	RMP	RMP name	NGR	Latitude & Longitude (WGS84)	Species	Frequency of flesh sampling	Frequency of water sampling
Westbeach (Pacific oysters) and Westbeach (native oysters)	B17BS	WOCO Westbeach	TR 1029 6690	51°21.73'N 01°01.16'E	<i>C. gigas</i>	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**

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<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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