§ 13-0319. Shellfish regulations.

The department may adopt regulations with respect to the harvesting, transplanting, relaying, receiving, possessing, transporting, importing, exporting, processing, buying, selling of or otherwise trafficking in shellfish; the labeling or tagging thereof; the keeping of records of shellfish received, transported and distributed; the construction, operation and maintenance of all shellfish handling, processing and distributing establishments, including facilities and equipment and the cleaning, cleansing and water storage of shellfish. The provisions of this section relating to transplanting and relaying include but are not limited to the removal of shellfish from uncertified growing areas and transplanting to certified areas for subsequent harvest for market purposes and transplanting of scallops pursuant to section 13-0327. Such regulations may provide for payment of the reasonable costs of the department of supervision of removal of shellfish from uncertified areas, except where such removal is being undertaken by a municipality or political subdivision. Such regulations shall be drawn in such a manner as to provide adequate sanitary control over all shellfish offered for sale and distribution in the state. Such regulations shall not be less restrictive than the minimum requirements of any federal agency regulating the inter-state shipment of shellfish.