

Notice

Shellfish Equipment Tagging Program for Baynes Sound

The Ministry of Agriculture and Lands and the BC Shellfish Growers Association (BCSGA) have implemented a new pilot program to help growers retrieve lost equipment and to provide the general public a method to assist return of this equipment to farmers.

Following storm events, shellfish culture equipment such as trays and clam net panels can become detached from rafts and securing pins respectively and be transported outside tenure boundaries. The new program involves the attachment of sequentially numbered plastic tags to all suitable culture equipment, e.g. trays, net panels, vexar netting, etc.

The tags are yellow in colour with black embossed letters; the first seven numbers identify the tag followed by the abbreviation "BC" and a tollfree phone number. Anyone finding stray equipment can note the tag number and call the tollfree phone number to report the type and location of the lost equipment. This information will be emailed to the BCSGA, who will then contact the farmer directly and forward the information so the equipment can be collected.

Diagram of Shellfish Equipment Tag



If you find equipment with this tag, call the 24 hour toll free line at 1-866-236-5255



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