



***Massachusetts Aquaculture Association***

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Dear Consumer,

On behalf of the many grower/ farmers of Bay State shellfish and fin fish, the Massachusetts Aquaculture Association would like to thank you for your continued support of the industry.

The growers of Massachusetts have worked hard to provide the freshest and safest fish and shellfish available and we appreciate your confidence in our products. It is widely documented and accepted that shellfish aquaculture has very beneficial symbiotic relationships with the environment. Among these are: reduction in Nitrogen from the water ways, sequestration of carbon from the environment into the shells, enhancement of habitat via the “reef” effect and improvement of water clarity through algal and suspended solids filtration. The list of environmental benefits of our industry goes on and can be found on our website. Your support will aid in the enhancing environmental properties of our practices as well as aiding in keeping working waterfronts and the local economies of Massachusetts strong. As our industry grows to fill the gap of increasing consumer demand of sustainably grown fish and shellfish, we are devoted to expanding our industry in a responsible manner.

In recent years, because of the industries growth, the MAA has expanded its scope of services to better represent the industry by becoming more active in state and local government rules and regulations that pertain to aquaculture. In addition, we are actively promoting and will participate in an annual “Shellfish Festival” in Boston which you are invited to experience the fruits of our labor.

We ask for your consideration in becoming a non-grower member (\$25) of MAA. Membership includes: Bay State Farmed Shellfish decals, updates of the most pertinent industry news, access to member-only forums and a listing of all Massachusetts farmed fish and shellfish dealers as well as its growers. Your membership will help keep the industry sustainable, progressive and competitive.

Thank you for you continued support of Massachusetts’s sustainable seafood industry. A membership application is attached.

The Massachusetts Aquaculture Association



**MAA Membership Application  
for 2009**

(expires 12/31/09)

*Please support us by joining today, so that we can continue to support you!*

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**2009 Membership Application**

*Fill out the application below and return; please include a business card for advertising on our web site  
Please print or type*



**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Business Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City:** \_\_\_\_\_ **State:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Telephone:** (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

**Business Phone:** (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

**Fax:** (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

**Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

- Species Raised  Quahogs  Oysters  
 Soft Shell  Scallops  
 Tilapia  Other: \*

**\* If you are growing or selling other farm raised products, please list:**

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|---|----------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Associate Member (Non-growers, no vote)      | <b>\$25.00</b> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Growers Membership                           | <b>\$50.00</b> |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Restaurant / Dealer (advertising) Membership | <b>\$75.00</b> |

**Total Payment Enclosed:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

*Please make check payable to;  
Massachusetts Aquaculture Assoc. or "MAA"*

**THANK YOU!**

