

PUBLIC NOTICE
The Maryland Department of Natural Resources
Fishing and Boating Services
Opening of Wicomico Middleground Oyster Bar (Charles County) — Effective 10/3/2026

WHAT THIS NOTICE DOES

The Secretary of the Maryland Department of Natural Resources announces that effective at 12:01 a.m., October 3, 2026, a portion of Wicomico Middleground oyster bar is open to oyster harvest. This notice supersedes all previous public notices opening or closing the described area.

AREA OPENED

All of the waters of Wicomico Middleground oyster bar (Charles County) enclosed by a line beginning at a point defined by Lat. 38° 17.468' N, Long. 76° 50.180' W, then running 269° True to a point defined by Lat. 38° 17.466' N, Long. 76° 50.352' W, then running 335° True to a point defined by Lat. 38° 17.770' N, Long. 76° 50.535' W, then running 71° True to the green 7W marker at a point defined by Lat. 38° 17.855' N, Long. 76° 50.217' W, then running 176° True to the point of beginning.

PURPOSE OF THIS OPENING

This area is being opened to allow the harvest of market-sized oysters. This opening was requested by the Charles County Oyster Committee. Based on Department survey work, there are enough market-sized oysters to support this opening.

WHO THIS NOTICE AFFECTS

This opening applies to all individuals who catch oysters recreationally or commercially.

AUTHORITY

Code of Maryland Regulations 08.02.04.11G

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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