

# Final Action on Regulations

## Symbol Key

- Roman type indicates text already existing at the time of the proposed action.
- *Italic type* indicates new text added at the time of proposed action.
- Single underline, italic indicates new text added at the time of final action.
- Single underline, roman indicates existing text added at the time of final action.
- ~~[[Double brackets]]~~ indicate text deleted at the time of final action.

## Title 08

# DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

## Subtitle 02 FISHERIES SERVICE

### 08.02.03 Blue Crabs

Authority: Natural Resources Article, §§4-215 and 4-803, Annotated Code of Maryland

#### Notice of Final Action

[25-283-F]

On March 10, 2026, the Secretary of Natural Resources adopted amendments to Regulation .14 under **COMAR 08.02.03 Blue Crabs**. This action, which was proposed for adoption in 53:2 Md. R. 63—64 (January 23, 2026), has been adopted as proposed.

**Effective Date: March 30, 2026.**

JOSH KURTZ

Secretary of Natural Resources

#### Notice of Final Action

[25-316-F]

On March 11, 2026, the Secretary of Natural Resources adopted:  
 (1) Amendments to Regulation .02 under **COMAR 08.02.05 Fish**;  
 (2) Amendments to Regulations .02, .09, and .12, and the repeal of existing Regulation .10 under **COMAR 08.02.15 Striped Bass**; and  
 (3) Amendments to Regulation .03 under **COMAR 08.02.25 Gear**.

This action, which was proposed for adoption in 53:2 Md. R. 64—68 (January 23, 2026), has been adopted as proposed.

**Effective Date: April 1, 2026.**

JOSH KURTZ

Secretary of Natural Resources

### 08.02.08 Shellfish—General

Authority: Natural Resources Article, §§4-743 and 4-11A-13, Annotated Code of Maryland

#### Notice of Final Action

[25-278-F]

On March 10, 2026, the Secretary of Natural Resources adopted amendments to Regulation .01 under **COMAR 08.02.08 Shellfish—General**. This action, which was proposed for adoption in 53:2 Md. R. 68 (January 23, 2026), has been adopted with the nonsubstantive changes shown below.

**Effective Date: March 30, 2026.**

#### Attorney General’s Certification

In accordance with State Government Article, §10-113, Annotated Code of Maryland, the Attorney General certifies that the following changes do not differ substantively from the proposed text. The nature of the changes and the basis for this conclusion are as follows:

As originally proposed in 08.02.08.01B, the Department updated the pronoun used from “he” to “they” but did not change the verb from “obtains” to “obtain”. The correct sentence is “A person may not import or possess within the State shellfish taken from waters outside the waters of the State for planting in the waters of the State, unless they first obtain a permit from the Department.” This change does not alter the meaning of the language originally proposed. For this reason, the change is nonsubstantive, and the regulation does not need to be repropoed.

#### .01 Importation of Shellfish.

A. (proposed text unchanged)

B. Permit Required. A person may not import or possess within the State shellfish taken from waters outside the waters of the State for planting in the waters of the State, unless *they* first ~~[[obtains]]~~ *obtain* a permit from the Department. The Department shall issue a permit if presented with proof satisfactory to the Department that the shellfish will not be harmful to Maryland shellfish.

C. (proposed text unchanged)

JOSH KURTZ

Secretary of Natural Resources

## Title 09

# MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

## Subtitle 03 COMMISSIONER OF FINANCIAL REGULATION

### 09.03.16 Virtual Currency Kiosks

Authority: Financial Institutions Article, §§2-105.1, and 12-1209, Annotated Code of Maryland

#### Notice of Final Action

[25-238-F]

On February 20, 2026, the Commissioner of Financial Regulation adopted new Regulations .01—.10 under new chapter, **COMAR 09.03.16 Virtual Currency Kiosks**. This action, which was proposed for adoption in 52:24 Md. R. 1201—1206 (December 1, 2025), has been adopted as proposed.

**Effective Date: March 30, 2026.**

ANTONIO SALAZAR

Commissioner