

115-17-8. Commercial harvest of mussels; legal equipment, taking methods, and general provisions. (a) Legal equipment and taking methods permitted for commercial harvest of mussels shall be the following:

- (1) By hand; and
 - (2) by other methods as approved by the secretary.
- (b)(1) Boats with or without mechanical propulsion methods may be used.
- (2) Depth-recording or fish-locating devices may be used.
 - (3) Underwater breathing equipment may be used while taking mussels, if a diver's flag is prominently displayed while using the underwater breathing equipment.
 - (4) Holding bags, holding baskets, and holding cages may be used if the name and permit number of the permittee are attached to each such bag, basket, and cage.

(c) No mussels may be commercially harvested on and after January 1, 2003 through December 31, 2022, unless a mussel salvage order has been issued by the secretary through public notice or posting the area open to mussel salvage. (Authorized by and implementing K.S.A. 32-807 and K.S.A. 32-941; effective Jan. 1, 1991; amended Nov. 22, 2002; amended April 18, 2003; amended July 20, 2012.)