Shellfish harvesters and growers who sell for human consumption are limited to harvesting only from ODA classified shellfish areas. Each of these areas has been evaluated for water quality and pollution sources, and each has sections that can be harvested from and sections that are prohibited. Prohibited areas have either not been evaluated or they fail to meet required water quality and pollution standards that could cause the shellfish to be unsafe to eat. Typical causes for prohibited areas include sewage outfall zones, failing onsite septic systems, dense livestock or wildlife populations, industrial or chemical pollution from businesses, ports and marinas, etc. Areas that are currently prohibited include: Columbia River, Nehalem Bay, Siletz River, Alsea Bay, Siuslaw River and the Coquille River.

**Classified commercial shellfish harvest and growing areas:**

1. Clatsop Beaches
2. Tillamook Bay
3. Netarts Bay
4. Yaquina Bay
5. Umpqua River and Triangle
6. Coos Bay
7. South Slough