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IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE MAINE REVISED STATUTES ANNOTATED,
TITLE 3, SECTION 163-A, SUBSECTION 4.

Augusta, Maine
2025

- D. The records and reports of purchases, shipping and transporting of shellfish and whole scallops;
- E. The labeling or marking of shipments of shellfish and wholesale scallops;
- F. The protection of public health; and
- G. Endorsements under subsection 2-B.

Rules adopted pursuant to this subsection must be based on the particular operational requirements of each activity, the most recently adopted federal sanitation standards and the most recent generally accepted research data and must be designed to protect the public health and safety while allowing reasonable use of shellfish and whole scallops. Rules adopted pursuant to this subsection are routine technical rules as defined in Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A.

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this legislation takes effect when approved.

Effective May 23, 2025.

CHAPTER 83

H.P. 513 - L.D. 806

An Act to Amend the Scope of Practice for Expanded Function Dental Assistants

Emergency preamble. Whereas, acts and resolves of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, the current licensing requirements for an expanded function dental assistant require passage of a separate dental radiologic technique and safety examination, which is the same examination required for licensure of dental radiographers; and

Whereas, this legislation eliminates the requirement that an expanded function dental assistant must be separately licensed as a dental radiographer and instead provides for exposing and processing radiographs under the assistant's scope of practice; and

Whereas, this legislation must be enacted immediately so that expanded function dental assistants are not required to pay an additional license fee; and

Whereas, in the judgment of the Legislature, these facts create an emergency within the meaning of the Constitution of Maine and require the following legislation as immediately necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety; now, therefore,

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

Sec. 1. 32 MRSA §9854, sub-§3, ¶A, as amended by PL 2015, c. 429, §19, is further amended to read:

A. A dentist, dental hygienist, expanded function dental assistant or dental radiographer licensed under chapter 143;

Sec. 2. 32 MRSA §18373, sub-§1, ¶L, as amended by PL 2021, c. 223, §10, is further amended to read:

L. Supragingival polishing using a slow-speed rotary instrument and rubber cup; ~~and~~

Sec. 3. 32 MRSA §18373, sub-§1, ¶HH, as enacted by PL 2021, c. 223, §10, is amended to read:

HH. Contour or finish restorative materials using a high-speed, power-driven handpiece or instrument; ~~and~~

Sec. 4. 32 MRSA §18373, sub-§1, ¶II is enacted to read:

II. Expose and process radiographs.

Emergency clause. In view of the emergency cited in the preamble, this legislation takes effect when approved.

Effective May 23, 2025.

CHAPTER 84

S.P. 384 - L.D. 895

An Act to Support Immersive Outdoor Education by Establishing the Outdoor School for All Maine Students Program

Emergency preamble. Whereas, acts and resolves of the Legislature do not become effective until 90 days after adjournment unless enacted as emergencies; and

Whereas, this legislation establishes an immersive outdoor education program that provides interdisciplinary and experiential education in an outdoor setting, and this legislation creates equitable opportunities for students across this State to have outdoor experiences; and

Whereas, many children in this State lack opportunities to enjoy and learn about the outdoors because of home circumstances, lack of access or transportation or a deficiency of suitable school or community-based programs; and

Whereas, the Outdoor School for All Maine Students Program will prepare children in this State for future success, will build self-awareness and confidence and will be an opportunity to instill the importance of