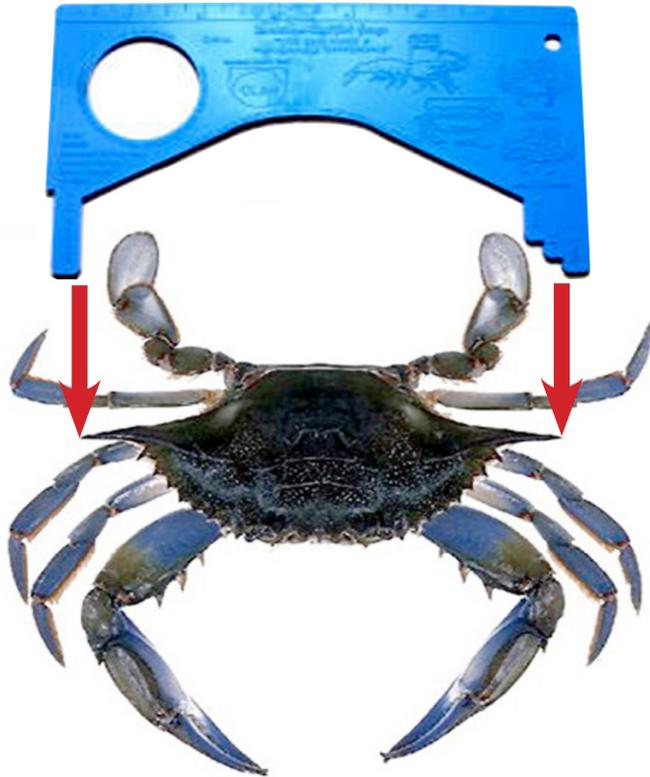
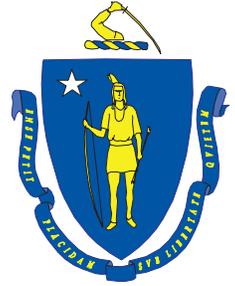




BLUE CRAB REGULATIONS



 **Minimum Legal Size = 5 inches carapace width—from point to point.**

 **Daily limit is 25 crabs per person for commercial or recreational.**

 **The use of 6-sided traps/pots (lobster traps or Maryland-style blue crab traps) is illegal.**

 **The use of open-top traps that close when retrieved are permissible (e.g. star traps)**

 **No permit required.**

 **Night fishing is allowed.**

 **The taking of egg-bearing blue crabs is prohibited.**

 **Closed season: Jan. 1- April 30.**

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Mature Female



Egg-Bearing Female



Male