



EAST HAMPTON TOWN TRUSTEES 36th ANNUAL LARGEST CLAM CONTEST RULES

1. Contest is open to town residents who hold a valid **Town of East Hampton Town Shellfish License**. Parents may enter clams for their children between the ages of 4 and 12. Parents/Guardians must write their child's name and age on the entry form. Parents must also write their own Shellfish license permit number and phone number on entry tag.
2. All entries must include the following written on the shellfish tag: Name, Harbor of capture, Phone number, Shellfish License number and Adult or Junior Category. Junior category only open to children ages 4-12.
 1. Contest will be held on **Sunday, October 4, 2026, 12:00 pm – 3:00 p.m.**
No early birds
 2. An entry fee of **\$5.00** will be collected from each contestant.
 3. Only Hard Clams, *Mercenaria mercenaria* are eligible to be entered.
 4. All clams must be caught in the CERTIFIED waters of Accabonac Harbor, Three Mile Harbor, Hog Creek, Napeague Harbor and Lake Montauk. The Harbor of harvest must be indicated on your entry form.
 5. Contestants must comply with all shell fishing regulations.
 6. **A maximum of One Clam per contestant may be entered.**
 7. Competing entries must be brought to any of the following locations during the specified time window:
 - Trustee Office, 267 Bluff Rd. in Amagansett – 9:30 am – 12:00 pm.
 - Trustee Office, 267 Bluff Rd in Amagansett – 3:00 pm – 5:00 PM
 - Contest Site, Amagansett Lifesaving Station – 9:00 am- 10:00 am.
 8. **All entries must be received no later than 10:00 am on Oct. 4, 2026.**
 9. When you get to the site all Entries will be placed in one of the red mesh bags provided. Tie the bag and attach your filled out shellfish tag to the bag. Write your **NAME, PHONE NUMBER, SHELLFISH LICENSE NUMBER, DATE OF HARVEST & HARBOR WHERE IT WAS HARVESTED** on the tag.. Staple the tag to the bag. Write **JUNIOR** if is a child's entry.
 10. If you would like to pick up a bag and tag to fill out prior to the contest day, you may pick one up from our office at 267 Bluff Rd. You may call ahead and we will have the materials ready for you. Our office number is 631-267-8688.
 11. There is a \$1 entry fee per clam. Place entry fee in your red bag.
 12. A panel of judges will choose the winners of the contest at the public judging on **October, 5th**, at the Amagansett Lifesaving Station, located at 160 Atlantic Ave in Amagansett, NY 11930.

Call the Trustees office for further information: (631) 267-8688