

#### HURRICANE PREPARATION AND RECOVERY PROGRAM

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## Marker Tags for Oyster Gear

- Commercially available, durable markers to tag and identify gear
- Available to oyster growers with 2018-19 aquaculture certifications in Bay, Gulf, Franklin and Wakulla Counties
- If there are multiple leaseholders on one lease, only one order form can be submitted
- Growers may choose from following tag options

This program was made available with Florida Sea Grant funding.



### NELCO Flag Markers

22 Riverside Drive, Pembroke, MA 02359 Phone: 800-346-3526 Website: www.nelcoproducts.com

- Consist of flags available in two sizes: 5/8" by 1-1/8" and 1-1/8 by 1-7/8"
- Space for hot stamping choice of name, phone number and AQ certificate identification in black lettering
- Small flag fits 3 lines of 13 characters each, mid-size flag fits up to 23 characters for each line
- Attached to a nylon cable tie (6" in length), weather resistant, ultraviolet protected, and rated for 120 lb tensile strength with a double locking feature.
- Color choices are orange or yellow, no setup costs



## AQUA BAG Tags

Pelican Oyster Company, 2779 Red Maple Rd, Tallahassee, FL 32301 Phone: 843-291-9322, Email: holler@pelicanoyster.com

- Plastic tags are waterproof and UV protected
- Approximately 1" by 2" in size with two mounting holes, tag attached to gear with hog rings or zip ties
- Comes in white or orange colors with black ink with 80 customized tags per sheet
- Maximum number of 5 lines allow for customized printing with up to 25 characters including spaces per line. Use the third line where mounting holes are located for aquaculture certification number (AQ#)



# TOP-ME Flat Tags

74 Orion Street, Brunswick, Maine 04011, Phone: 207-449-1180, Email: info@topmetags.com

- Flat tag (1.0" by 3.75") has raised molded lettering with choice of name, phone number, or AQ certificate identification (approximately 30 characters maximum)
- Theft warning text is molded on each tag and cannot be changed
- > Orange color, typically lasts over 10 years
- > Aluminum template is kept on file for 10 years.
- Tags can be attached to gear by cable ties or hog nose rings (not included)



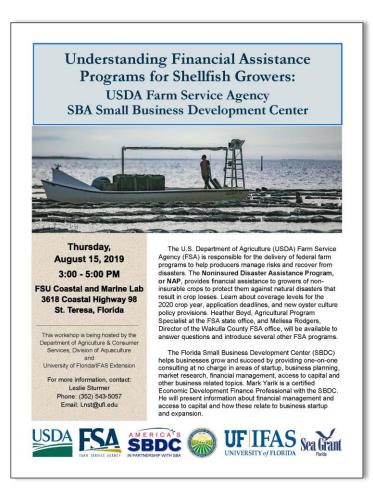
# Marker Tags for Oyster Gear Program

- Number of tags received will depend on the number of growers who participate and tag style selected
- All certified growers will be provided with at least 500 customized tags
- Samples made available at workshops on July 31 & August 15
- Once a tag style is selected, order form must be completed and submitted by <u>September 15, 2019</u>
- Tags shipped direct to grower within two months from the order date by supplier

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Mailing/Shipping Address	
Phone Number	Email Address
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	8, or by emailing the form or information to <u>Lnst@ufl.edu</u> . Ist be returned by September 15, 2019.

### Other Program Assistance

- Replaced missing AUZ marker poles, large signs, and navigational beacons
  - Funding from Cedar Key Aquaculture Association and UF/IFAS Shellfish Extension program
- Workshop on Financial Assistance Programs to be held August 15
- Assistance in gear cleanup efforts along Wakulla County coastline



#### **Breakout Session**

Develop storm plans, management practices for securing gear types, and recovery plans based on lessons learned from Hurricane Michael



- 1) What preparations did growers do (or didn't do) prior to Hurricane Michael?
- 2) Problems encountered, amount of time spent, time and labor involved?
- 3) Outcomes gear lost or damaged, oyster mortalities?
- 4) What would you do differently in the future?
- 5) Steps taken since the hurricane for recovery?
- Groups address each question 6-8 minutes
- Summarize group comments 8-10 minutes per group

