



BLUE CLAW CRAB ALERT NEWARK BAY REGION



DO NOT CATCH! DO NOT EAT!

The New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection has found that **blue claw crabs** from the Newark Bay region are contaminated with harmful levels of dioxin and polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs). Eating **blue claw crabs** from this region may cause cancer and harm brain development in unborn and young children. Fish consumption advisories in this region for **blue claw crabs** are **DO NOT CATCH! AND DO NOT EAT!**

The Newark Bay region is composed of Newark Bay, the Hackensack, Passaic, Elizabeth and Rahway Rivers and the Arthur Kill and Kill Van Kull. **Please see reverse side for towns in the Newark Bay Region.**

The New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection is committed to protecting your health and has launched a public awareness campaign. We are partnering with local and county health departments, community-based organizations, municipal governments, schools, conservation organizations and various other civic organizations throughout the Newark Bay region.

People found catching and eating crabs, in this region, are subject to a fine from the State of New Jersey. Fines range from \$100 to \$3,000 for the first offense (NJAC 7:25-14, 18A).

For more information call toll free 1-866- DEP-KNOW.



Towns in the Newark Bay Region

Arthur Kill / Kill Van Kull

Bayonne
Carteret
Hillside
Linden
Newark
Perth Amboy
Woodbridge

Elizabeth River

Hillside
Union

Hackensack River

Bogota
Carlstadt
East Rutherford
Hackensack
Jersey City
Leonia
Little Ferry
Moonachie
New Milford
North Bergen
Oradell
Paramus
Ridgefield Park and Borough
River Edge
Secaucus
South Hackensack
Teaneck

Newark Bay

Bayonne, Elizabeth,
Jersey City, Newark

Rahway River

Clark
Rahway

Passaic River

Belleville
Clifton
Garfield
Harrison
Kearny
Lodi
Lyndhurst
North Arlington
Nutley
Passaic
Paterson
Rutherford
Wallington