Adventures in Food and Nutrition! © 2012 Chapter 22: Savory Seafood—Food Science Activity

Seafood Inspections

Seafood is a popular protein-rich food all over the world. Today, companies that process seafood are not required to participate in the seafood inspection program. The United States Department of Commerce provides voluntary seafood inspection. To learn more about this program, visit the following website:

http://www.noaa.gov

Activity Questions

1. What agency oversees fisheries in the United States?

2. What type of establishments can participate in the seafood inspection program?

3. What types of seafood can be inspected?

4. What is a benefit of participating in the seafood inspection program?

5. What does the U.S. Grade A mark on seafood signify?

6. Is the seafood inspection program free?

7. What are the names of two establishments in your state or a nearby state that are approved for sanitation and producing U.S. Department of Commerce inspected seafood?