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Red Tide on Savary Island, BC

Paralytic shellfish poisoning occurs from ingesting bivalve shellfish (such as mussels, oysters, and clams) that contain toxins. These toxins can cause severe and life-threatening neurological effects.

Can the colour of the tide tell you when shellfish are safe to eat? NO! [Check first to see if the beach is open for harvesting.](#)

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### Information for Health Professionals

- [Case definition of paralytic shellfish poisoning.](#)
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