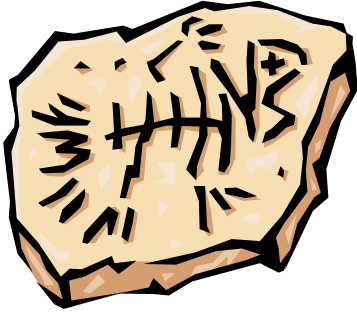


Applicable Rules Regarding Fossil Collecting on Oregon's Beaches

◆ **Oregon Administrative Rules 736-020-0035 Regulations for Removal of Natural Products of Ocean Shore:**

"In accordance with ORS 390.725, no sand, rock, mineral, marine growth, or other natural product of the ocean shore, other than fish or wildlife, agates or souvenirs, shall be taken by any person from the State recreation areas as described by ORS 390.635, without first obtaining a permit to do so from the Oregon State Parks and Recreation Department in accordance with the provisions hereof."



Oregon Parks and Recreation Department has not issued permits for the **commercial collection** [*emphasis added*] of fossils from the ocean shore.

"*Ocean shore*" is the state recreation area between extreme low tide and the line of established upland vegetation or the Statutory Vegetation Line as described in ORS 390.770, whichever is higher.

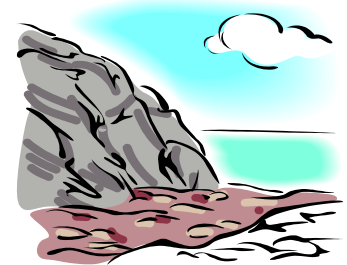
◆ **736-020-0035...Exceptions, Compensation**

"In accordance with ORS 390.725, natural products of the ocean shore, such as agates, small amounts of marine algae, driftwood or souvenirs of the ocean shore, may be taken by any person, **for their own, noncommercial use** [*emphasis added*], from the State recreation areas as described by ORS 390.635, without a permit, except that no person shall collect any amount of natural product of the ocean shore where prohibited by state or federal regulation or right of private ownership. "

Souvenir is not defined in the statute or rule, however, souvenirs **do not include** the collection of items for **resale** or for use as **part of a commercial product** [*emphasis added*].

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Additional note: Oregon beach areas **CLOSED** to fossil collecting include, all shorelines adjacent to State Parks, U S Forest Service, National Park Service and U S Bureau of Land Management natural areas, marine preserves, national monuments, forests, campgrounds, waysides and day-use areas.

CLOSED areas include sites such as Yaquina Head Outstanding Natural Area, Oregon Dunes National Recreation Area, Fort Clatsop, Beverly Beach State Park, etc.

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