

# Kelp Harvest



The surface layer of kelp is harvested by mowing it with a blade similar to a lawn mower's. Below is a picture of a kelp mower. Can you see where the kelp has been mowed?



- ☛ The harvested kelp is brought to land and processed to become a gelatinous substance called algin.
- ☛ Algin is used as a thickening agent in many products such as ice cream, cosmetics, paints, animal food, pharmaceuticals, latex rubber, and even welding rods!
- ☛ The kelp plant will regenerate, and be ready to harvest again.



Close-up of a kelp mower

