

Commercial Size and Possession Limits for Mississippi

Species	Daily Bag	Possession	Minimum length in inches	Maximum length in inches
Red drum	Quota*	Quota*	18 TL	1 over 30 TL
Spotted seatrout	Quota**	Quota**	14 TL	
Mullet	No Limit	No Limit	10 TL	
Cobia***	2	2	37 TL	
Spanish mackerel	No Limit	No Limit	14 FL	
Red snapper	Quota	Quota	15 TL	

*There is a 35,000 lb annual commercial quota.

**There is a 40,000 lb limit.

***No commercial sale of cobia is allowed.

It shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to sell, offer for sale, barter, trade or purchase any red drum smaller than the minimum legal length established in Mississippi for red drum or red drum taken from the waters of the state of Mississippi during a closed commercial season for red drum.

Saltwater fishermen cannot use multiple-point hooks (*i.e.*, treble hooks) when fishing with live, dead, or cut bait.

Recreational Size and Possession Limits for Mississippi

Species	Daily Bag	Possession	Minimum Length (inches)	Maximum Length (inches)
Red drum*	3	3	18 TL	1 over 30 TL
Spotted seatrout	15	15	14 TL	No Limit
Cobia **	2	2	37 TL	No Limit
King mackerel	2	2	20 FL	No Limit
Red snapper	4	4	15 TL	

*The sale, offering for sale, purchase, barter or trade of red drum caught by saltwater sports fishermen is prohibited.

**The sale of cobia is prohibited.

Saltwater sports fishermen not fishing in the waters of the state of Mississippi may transport and land spotted seatrout and red drum with size and creel limits less than those above, provided such fish were legally taken in the waters under the jurisdiction of a state adjoining Mississippi and meet that state's minimum size and creel requirements. Said saltwater sports fishermen must possess a valid saltwater sports fishing license as may be required in the state where the fish were caught. In the absence of minimum size requirements in an adjoining jurisdiction, Mississippi law will prevail.

now required to purchase an additional license which costs an additional \$100.00. This license is a Commercial Fisherman's license. It is also required that each person on board the vessel actively engaged in fishing must also purchase a Commercial Fisherman's license.

Resident Menhaden Boat/Net - \$150.00

*Valid for recreational hook and line fishing south of U.S. Interstate Highway 10. Saltwater sport fishermen are not permitted to sell, barter, trade, or offer for sale any saltwater fish caught or landed in Mississippi.

SALTWATER NETS

Licenses

Resident Recreational (Hook and Line) - \$4.00*

Resident Gill & Trammel Net - \$100.00

Resident Charter, Party - \$200.00

Commercial Hook and Line - \$100.00 + \$100.00 for each person on board. Beginning July 1, 1999, the hook and line license fisherman is

Restrictions

Saltwater finfish may be taken from Mississippi waters by any of the following methods: hook and line, trotline, throwline, spear, gig, bow and arrow, cast net, and brail nets (less than 12' maximum radius; no freshwater species may be in possession while using cast or brail net), small-mesh beach seine (under 100' in length and with a maximum ¼" bar), Brill net, shrimp trawl, trammel net, gill net, wing net, beach and purse seines (all must be under 1,200' in total length and with a minimum