



## MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF MARINE RESOURCES

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### ***MDMR Marine Patrol Issues Citations for Possession of Red Snapper in Federal Waters***

BILOXI, Miss. —The Mississippi Department of Marine Resources (MDMR) Marine Patrol issued citations to 11 people on four boats for possession of red snapper during a closed season and over the daily bag limit in federal waters on April 27 and April 28. The citations were turned over to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's (NOAA) Office of General Counsel.

MDMR Marine Patrol Officers Will Freeman and Leo DeGeorge were working under the Joint Enforcement Agreement (JEA) with the U.S. Department of Commerce's National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, an agreement MDMR has with NOAA to provide law enforcement of federal regulations in both state and federal waters.

The Mississippi Department of Marine Resources is dedicated to enhancing, protecting and conserving marine interests of the state by managing all marine life, public trust wetlands, adjacent uplands and waterfront areas to provide for the optimal commercial, recreational, educational and economic uses of these resources consistent with environmental concerns and social changes. Visit the MDMR online at [www.dmr.ms.gov](http://www.dmr.ms.gov).



**Photo Caption:**

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