



## MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF MARINE RESOURCES

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# News Release

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### ***Shrimping waters north of Intracoastal Waterway to close temporarily***

BILOXI, Miss. – The Mississippi Department of Marine Resources is closing shrimping waters north of the Intracoastal Waterway in Mississippi territorial waters at 6 a.m. Thursday, June 18, 2015. See attached map.

This temporary closing will be in effect until MDMR sampling determines the shrimp count has reached the legal requirement of 68 per pound.

All other Mississippi territorial waters will remain open to shrimping.

All regulations set forth in Mississippi statute and titles of the MDMR will be in full force and effect, and all boats engaged in catching or transporting shrimp in or from Mississippi waters must be legally licensed.

For the latest updates, call the toll-free Shrimp Information Hotline at 1-866-WE-TRAWL (938-7295).

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 DMR online at [www.dmr.ms.gov](http://www.dmr.ms.gov).

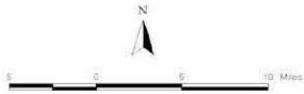
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**Mississippi Inshore and Territorial Seas  
Shrimping Grounds**



*Not for Navigational Use  
For Planning Purposes Only*



Based on U.S.G.S. 1:100,000  
Digital Line Graph Data.

May 2001

- Closed to all shrimping, inland and within 1 mile of Gulf Islands National Seashore shoreline
- Open to live bait shrimping only, within 1/2 mile of the shoreline
- Open to commercial & recreational shrimping on a seasonal basis until December 31
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- Exclusive Economic Zone and/or other state waters

- Intracoastal Waterway
- Colregs Demarcation Line

