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Commercial Red Drum season to open September 1

BILOXI, Miss. – The commercial fishing season for Red Drum (*Sciaenops ocellatus*) will open at 12:01 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 1, officials with the Mississippi Department of Marine Resources said today.

The annual total allowable catch for commercial Red Drum is 60,000 pounds. If the quota is reached before Dec. 31, the season will be closed until Jan. 1, 2019.

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 dmr.ms.gov.

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