

Pursuant to the provisions of M.C.A. §25-43-3.102 and §25-43-3.103, the Mississippi Commission on Marine Resources has proposed the rule change below for adoption by the Commission.

Changes to Sections of Title 22 – Mississippi Department of Marine Resources, Part 6 Rules and Regulations for Live-Bait Shrimping in the State of Mississippi: Chapter 5 Section 100 Subsection 100.09 It shall be unlawful for any minnow fishermen or live bait catcher boat to have in possession in excess of five (5) pounds of dead mullet. The commercial minimum length limit for mullet (10 inches) in Title 22 Part 07 Chapter 09 Section 100.05 shall not apply to resident licensed minnow fishermen, licensed live bait catcher boats fishing below the CSX or licensed live bait dealers selling mullet for bait. Minnow fishermen shall only sell mullet to licensed Mississippi live bait dealers or Mississippi recreational fisherman. It shall be unlawful to possess mullet north of the CSX railroad while engaged in minnow fishing; Chapter 5 Section 100 Subsection 100.12 clarifies that live bait catcher are not restricted to the commercial size limit set for mullet; Chapter 5 Section 100 Subsections 100.10 through Subsection 100.15 renumbered.

A public hearing has been scheduled for:

Harrison County: May 10, 2012, Bolton Building 1141 Bayview Avenue, Biloxi, MS 39530 at 6:00 p.m.

A complete copy of Title 22 Part 6 and the proposed changes are available at [www.dmr.ms.gov](http://www.dmr.ms.gov).

Public comments on the proposed regulation changes will be accepted through May 14, 2012. All comments should be mailed to the MDMR, Attn: Joe Jewell, 1141 Bayview Avenue, Biloxi, MS 39530 or emailed to Joe Jewell at [joe.jewell@dmr.ms.gov](mailto:joe.jewell@dmr.ms.gov) and delivered by 5:00 PM on May 15, 2012.