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## ***Mississippi Red Snapper season reopening***

BILOXI, Miss. – The Mississippi Department of Marine Resources (MDMR) will reopen the recreational Red Snapper season on Friday, Oct. 1, 2021, at 12:01 a.m. The season will be open seven days a week. Check Tails n’ Scales for the most up to date closure information.

Private recreational anglers can fish out to 200 nautical miles. Vessels with state for-hire permits can fish in state territorial waters, which is nine nautical miles south of the barrier islands. A size limit of 16 inches total length with a possession limit of two per person, per day will be enforced.

One angler per vessel, per trip is required to report through the MDMR Tails n’ Scales system. Anglers are encouraged to report additional information for Greater Amberjack while Mississippi’s Red Snapper season is open. As a reminder, Marine Patrol officers encountering anglers harvesting or possessing Red Snapper without a trip authorization number will result in fish confiscation and fines.

Anglers may register their account through a smartphone app available in the Apple App Store and Google Play Store or online at [tailsnscales.org](https://tailsnscales.org). Returning users must download the newest Tails n’ Scales app update prior to obtaining any 2021 trip authorizations. Tails n’ Scales administrators can be contacted for assistance by email at [snapper@dmr.ms.gov](mailto:snapper@dmr.ms.gov) or by phone at (228) 325-1585.

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