



STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

Tate Reeves

Governor

MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF MARINE RESOURCES

Joe Spraggins, Executive Director

LEGAL NOTICE

**ORDER CLOSING THE 2025-2026 SHRIMP SEASON NORTH OF THE
INTRACOASTAL WATERWAY IN MISSISSIPPI TERRITORIAL WATERS**

By virtue of the authority vested in the Mississippi Department of Marine Resources (MDMR) under the provisions of §49-15-15 (1) (a) Mississippi Code of 1972 Annotated, the MDMR does hereby declare and order that:

All waters north of the Intracoastal Waterway in Mississippi territorial waters are hereby declared closed at 12:01 a.m., January 1, 2026 for shrimping as provided by law and the regulations of the MDMR.

All other Mississippi territorial waters remain open to shrimping as provided by law and the regulations of the MDMR.

All rules set forth in regulations of the MDMR are to be in full force and effect and all boats engaged in catching or transporting shrimp in or from the waters of the State of Mississippi must be licensed by the MDMR before beginning operations.

This order will take effect and be in force from and after 12:01 a.m., January 1, 2026. For further information contact the MDMR at 228-374-5000, the Mississippi Shrimp Information Hotline at 866-938-7295, or visit the website at www.dmr.ms.gov.

So ordered this the 19th Day of December 2025.

MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF MARINE RESOURCES,
JOE SPRAGGINS, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Traci Floyd". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Traci Floyd, Director
Office of Marine Fisheries