



Mississippi's Official Saltwater Conventional Tackle Records



SPECIES	WEIGHT		DATE	ANGLER
Amberjack, Greater	114 lb.	3.2 oz.	03/18/11	Troy Helwig
Amberjack, Lesser	5 lb.	8 oz.	05/24/04	Jack Paul Edwards, IV
Barracuda, Great	50 lb.	1 oz.	08/01/05	Tommy O'Brien
Bigeeye	2 lb.	1.12 oz.	08/28/04	Jeffrey Newbury
Black Driftfish	15 lb	7.2 oz.	08/13/07	Lenny Maiolatesi
Bluefish	16 lb.	6 oz.	00/00/84	Joe Krebs
Bonefish		4 oz.	11/04/99	Scott Floyd
Bonnethead	13 lb.	8.64 oz.	04/29/12	Austin Fox
Brotula, Bearded	17 lb.	3 oz.	07/04/08	Jack Paul Edwards IV
Burrfish, Striped	1 lb.	4 oz.	06/07/08	Joe Davis Sr.
Catfish, Hardhead	3 lb.	.32 oz.	06/08/05	Josh Holmes
Catfish, Gafftopsail	9 lb.	9.92 oz.	08/26/00	Shane Ardis
Chub, Yellow	9 lb.	10 oz.	07/30/92	Melvin Raymond Jr.
Cobia	106 lb.	13 oz.	05/02/96	Randy McDaniel
Creolefish	1 lb.	8.69 oz.	05/08/11	Cecily O'Brien
Croaker, Atlantic	4 lb.	12 oz.	11/11/90	Tom Pellegrin
Cubbyu	2 lb.	6.72 oz.	05/28/05	John Smith
Cutlassfish, Atlantic	2 lb.	9.44 oz.	07/16/11	Jonathan Stanley
Dolphin	62 lb.		1981/1985	D.L. Siegel/Leo Muldoon
Dolphin, Pompano	1 lb.	.80 oz.	05/22/05	Tom O'Brien
Drum , Black	70 lb.	5.00 oz.	03/12/05	Eddie Hansen
Drum, Blackbar	2 lb	13 oz.	02/08/08	Lenny Maiolatesi
Drum, Red	44 lb.		1970/1973	L.E. Renike/J. Hughes
Eel, Conger	12 lb.	8.2 oz.	08/03/02	Stephen E. Wilson
Eel, King Snake	37 lb	4 oz.	08/24/07	Steve Strickland
Flounder, Southern	10 lb.	4.66 oz.	03/03/07	Karen A. Good
Frogfish, Ocellated	6 lb.		08/10/08	Adam Perrigin
Gag	58 lb.	4.8 oz	08/21/01	Kenny Kuhn
Grouper, Black	11 lb.	0.16 oz.	03/24/01	Michael L. Allen
Grouper, Marbled	12 lb.	8 oz.	12/3/2010	Phillip King, Jr.
Grouper, Red	14 lb.	8 oz.	04/29/07	Brian Pelton
Grouper, Snowy	24 lb.	3.2 oz.	02/19/10	William A. Scarborough Jr.
Grouper, Warsaw	250 lb.		07/17/04	Paul Gallop
Grouper, Yellowedge	32 lb.		08/10/08	James Necaize III
Grouper (unclass.)	47 lb.	14.2 oz.	00/00/80	Dr. Kenneth Ramsey
Hind, Rock	3 lb.	4.8 oz.	08/17/07	Tommy O'Brien
Hogfish, Spotfin		10.4 oz.	06/01/08	Thomas Riley Hunt
Houndfish	1 lb.	0.01 oz.	07/03/08	Wes Harvey
Jack, Almaco	32 lb.	10.56 oz.	09/30/06	Donald Simmons Jr.
Jack, Black	16 lb.	4.8 oz.	08/03/07	Dennis L. Henry
Jack, Crevalle	48 lb.	0.5 oz	07/19/85	Brian D. Pelton
Jack, Horse-eye	22 lb.	15.52 oz.	06/11/04	Justin Russell
Kingfish, Gulf	1 lb.	15.36 oz.	06/21/09	Tony Fimiano
Kingfish, Southern	1 lb.	14 oz.	11/12/85	Scott A. Walter
Ladyfish	3 lb.	9.28 oz.	09/30/08	Chris Hill
Leatherjacket		3.34 oz.	07/29/08	Dick Wilson
Little Tunny (Bonito)	29 lb.	8.8 oz.	04/15/94	Jean A. Thornton
Longtail Bass	5 lb	6.4 oz.	07/12/07	Lenny Maiolatesi
Lookdown	2 lb.	9.6 oz.	06/04/06	Scott Floyd
Mackerel, King	74 lb.	1.6 oz.	11/20/09	Barrett McMullan
Mackerel, Spanish	8 lb.		00/00/84	Ron Dillistone
Mako, Shortfin	550 lb.		01/08/12	Tim King
Marlin, Blue	1,054 lb.	9.6 oz.	06/07/02	Barry D. Carr
Marlin, White	80 lb.	3.2 oz.	09/15/00	Joseph Guidry
Moonfish, Atlantic	1 lb.	14.38 oz.	06/05/06	Scott Floyd
Moray, Blacktail	5 lb.	11.84 oz.	07/04/05	Dick Wilson
Moray, Purplemouth	3 lb.	1 oz.	07/04/03	Dick Wilson
Moray, Reticulate	6 lb.	15.84 oz.	08/06/04	Stephen E. Wilson
Oilfish	50 lb.	0.32 oz.	03/24/02	Kenneth Saxman
Permit	2 lb.	4 oz.	08/29/06	Jonathan David Floyd
Pigfish	1 lb.	1.76 oz.	08/28/04	Lorielyn Newbury
Pinfish	3 lb.	5.6 oz.	09/04/92	William D. Fountain
Porgy, Longspined		9.92 oz.	06/06/04	Stephen Wilson
Porgy, Red	3 lb.	11.68 oz.	06/22/07	Donald L. Bosarge II
Porgy, Whitebone	2 lb.	5 oz.	07/02/04	Jack Paul Edwards
Pompano, African	36 lb.	4 oz.	06/23/97	Lawrence F. Pichon
Pompano, Florida	4 lb.	15.7 oz.	02/09/02	Jack Alexander
Puffer, Smooth	5 lb.	.04 oz.	05/06/00	Shawn Hyter
Remora	5 lb.	5 oz.	07/02/06	Ross Maxwell
Runner, Blue	7 lb.	14.99 oz	06/15/08	Carlton Neal
Runner, Rainbow	18 lb.	12 oz.	07/30/94	Paul A. Parnigoni
Sailfish	62 lb.		00/00/63	Eddie Jones

Sandfish, Belted		1 oz.	07/03/11	Eddie Kopszywa
Scamp	24 lb.	0.48 oz.	05/25/01	Doug Nelson Jr.
Scrawled Filefish		4.8 oz.	6/11/2011	Derrick Saucier
Sea Bass, Rock		14.72 oz.	08/20/92	Robert Bell
Searobin, Bighead	1 lb.	.32 oz.	05/24/05	David Hise Jr.
Seatrout, Sand	6 lb.	9.6 oz.	03/12/09	Chris Denton
Seatrout, Spotted	10 lb.	7.66 oz.	05/13/08	Eric T. Quave
Scorpionfish, Spinycheek	3 lb.	8.56 oz.	03/13/11	Pete Atwood
Scorpionfish, Spotted	2 lb.	2.24 oz.	08/22/04	Dick E. Wilson
Shark, Atlantic Sharpnose	12 lb.	9.5 oz.	07/17/12	Paul Greenwood
Shark, Blacknose	20 lb.	13 oz.	07/03/09	Andrew B. Odom
Shark, Blacktip	98 lb.	9.6 oz.	04/20/05	Thomas W. Barnes
Shark, Bull	130 lb.	7.36 oz.	06/12/09	Lane Russell
Shark, Finetooth	22 lb.	9.66 oz.	07/19/09	Nickolas Vaughn
Shark, Great Hammerhead	436 lb.	14 oz.	07/05/02	Robert J. Garrett
Shark, Nurse	98 lb.	7 oz.	07/03/06	Tony Delatorre
Shark, Scalloped Hammerhead	268 lb.		08/08/98	Warren V. Jones
Shark, Sandbar	125 lb.	8 oz.	12/16/06	Strom Smith
Shark, Spinner	159 lb.	4.80 oz.	06/04/04	Carlton Neal
Shark, Tiger	173 lb.	12 oz.	10/19/10	Dwayne L. Armes
Shark (unclass.)	885 lb.		00/00/83	Bruce Bartling
Sharksucker	2 lb.	15.20 oz.	10/03/04	Michael "Buck" Buchanan
Sheepshead	19 lb.	10 oz.	00/00/66	Roy Groue Jr.
Silver Perch		4 oz.	05/18/02	Samantha Goodfellow
Smooth Dogfish	18 lb.	14.4 oz.	06/24/07	Leonard Maiolatesi
Snapper, Dog	15 lb.		07/10/04	Chris Russell
Snapper, Gray	13 lb.	12 oz.	07/03/04	Tom O'Brien
Snapper, Lane	8 lb.	3.2 oz.	08/25/01	Stephen E. Wilson
Snapper, Red	37 lb.	11.2 oz.	08/24/95	John J. Bullock
Snapper, Vermillion	5 lb.	1 oz.	10/11/01	David Kuehn
Snapper, Yellowtail	7 lb.	3.52 oz.	06/10/11	Jacob Edwards-Faucette
Soapfish, Whitespotted		6.2 oz.	07/20/11	David Kuehn
Spadefish, Atlantic	8 lb.	1.0 oz.	05/15/03	Destin P. O'Brien
Stingray, Southern	158 lb.	1.6 oz.	07/04/07	Rick Grimstead
Swordfish	75 lb.		08/26/07	Lorenzo Owen
Tilefish	14 lb.	8 oz.	06/12/11	Mike Salvetti
Tilefish, Goldface	2 lb.	15 oz.	11/09/07	Leonard Maiolatesi Sr.
Tilefish, Sand	2 lb.	1 oz.	02/08/08	Leonard Maiolatesi
Toadfish, Gulf	2 lb.		02/18/02	Marty Wilson
Toadfish, Leopard	1 lb.	5 oz.	07/02/09	Michael Fournier Jr.
Tomtate		12.96 oz.	05/01/04	Stephen E. Wilson
Tarpon	167 lb.		05/19/01	Dr. Keith Goodfellow
Trigger, Gray	9 lb.	7.33 oz.	08/05/07	Matthew L. Larmore
Trigger, Ocean	3 lb.	2.8 oz.	05/16/09	Lee Westmoreland
Trigger, Queen	7 lb.	6.4 oz.	07/21/07	Brandon Bosarge
Tripletail	37 lb.	12 oz.	00/00/72	B. Gibson
Tuna, Blackfin	33 lb.	0.8 oz.	05/07/11	Mark Herrmann
Tuna, Bluefin	837 lb.	1.6 oz.	06/11/99	Bob Struwe
Tuna, Bigeye	203 lb.	14 oz.	07/11/11	Chip Temple
Tuna, Skipjack	26 lb.	4 oz.	06/21/03	Thomas L. Reynolds III
Tuna, Yellowfin	205 lb.	12.8 oz.	06/09/01	Robert Landingham
Wahoo	111 lb.	3.2 oz.	05/16/98	Jeffery A. Lee

Mississippi Sportfishing Record Rules

To qualify for saltwater sportfishing record consideration anglers must complete an official application that may be obtained from the Mississippi Department of Marine Resources, and abide by the following rules:

- Fish must be hooked, fought, and brought to net or gaff by the applicant with no help from any person, except that another person may operate the net or gaff. Catches on handlines or other non-sporting equipment will not be considered.
 - Conventional Records:** Fish must be legally caught in a sporting manner on rod, reel and line or pole and line, and hooked with any legal hook or lure.
 - Fly Fishing Records:** Fish must be legally caught on a rod, reel, and line using conventional fly fishing tackle. The lure used must be a recognized type of artificial fly. Treble hooks are prohibited. The use of any other type of lure or natural bait, either singularly or attached to the fly is prohibited. The fly used must be submitted with the application.
 - Two (2) color photographs should be submitted with each application:
 - One (1) of angler and fish.
 - One (1) showing a clear, close-up side view of the fish.
- Photos become the property of the Mississippi Department of Marine Resources.
- Fish MUST be weighed on certified scales or scales legal for trade, i.e. grocery store scales, etc. The weighing must take place in the presence of two (2) witnesses other than the applicant, who MUST sign the application form or a separate statement attesting that they witnessed the OFFICIAL weight. NO provision for weight loss will be allowed. The actual weight of the fish AT THE TIME OF WEIGHING will be the OFFICIAL WEIGHT. It is also desirable to include signature(s) on the application form of the witness(es), if any, to the actual catching of the fish. Witnesses to the weight and catch CANNOT be the same persons. Rodeo entries are considered valid and acceptable weights.
 - Length of the fish must be measured in a straight line from the tip of the snout to the tip of the tail AND from the tip of the snout to the fork of the tail.
 - Girth of the fish will be measured around the thickest portion of the body.
 - Applications for saltwater species SHALL be positively identified AND verified by a Professional Fisheries Biologist and/or a Rodeo Weighmaster.
 - Only fish caught in Mississippi waters or fish caught in adjacent waters and landed in a Mississippi port will be considered.
 - The Mississippi Department of Marine Resources reserves the right to further check fish identification or verification of witnesses and to refuse any application that is questionable. It will be considered "Just Cause" for disqualification of current application and any previous records established by anyone who knowingly falsifies a Record Application. All rules will be strictly adhered to. The decision of the Mississippi Commission on Marine Resources will be final.

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