

Mississippi Department of Wildlife, Fisheries and Parks

OFFICIAL "TROPHY FISH" APPLICATION

(NON ROD AND REEL OR FISHING POLE)

Please Print (See backside for special instructions)

Name of Angler _____ Date of Birth _____

Street Address _____ City _____

State _____ Zip _____ County _____ Telephone No _____

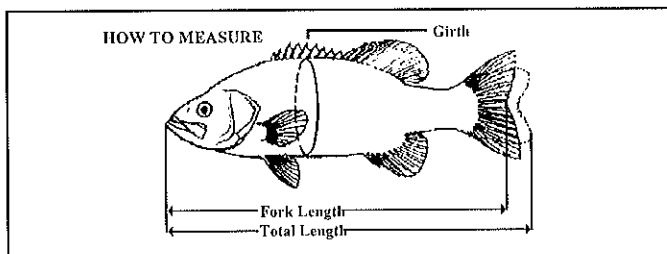
Species of Fish Caught _____

Certified Weight _____ lbs. _____ oz. Must be weighed on certified scales
(grocery store or meat market type)

Total Length _____ Inches

Fork Length _____ Inches

Girth _____ Inches



Method of Catch:

Trot line _____ Handgrabbing _____ Bow Fishing _____ Jug Fishing _____ Yo-Yo _____ Snagging _____

Other (describe) _____

Location of catch _____
Lake, Reservoir, River _____ Nearest Town _____

Date of Catch _____
Month _____ Day _____ Year _____

WITNESS TO THE WEIGHT:

Signature _____ Signature _____

Address _____ Address _____

City _____ Phone _____ City _____ Phone _____

WITNESS TO THE CATCH:

Signature _____ Signature _____

Address _____ Address _____

City _____ Phone _____ City _____ Phone _____

AFFIDAVIT OF APPLICANT:

I, _____, state that the fish described in this application was legally caught by me
by the above described legal method within the boundaries of the State of Mississippi.

Date of Application

Signature of Applicant



APPLICATION AND RULES STATE RECORD FISH

- RULE 1: Fish must be caught by a legal method other than traditional bait fishing with rod and reel or pole (this does not include commercial fishing gear).
- RULE 2: Fish must be weighed in the presence of MDWFP personnel on certified scales or scales legal for trade. The weighing must be witnessed by others, who **MUST** sign the application form. 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 desired (but not mandatory) to have signature(s) on the application form of witness(es), if any, to the actual catching of the fish.
- RULE 3: Two (2) photographs (preferably in color) should be taken of the proposed record fish.
- A. One (1) of the angler and fish.
 - B. One (1) showing a clear, close up side view of only the fish.
- RULE 4: Length of the fish must be measured using a flatboard and with fish mouth closed, from tip of snout to tip of tail (with tail squeezed together to give longest possible measurement) which gives the maximum overall measurement. Fork length measurement should also be taken from the tip of snout to the fork of the tail. (See diagram on application)
- RULE 5: Girth of the fish will be measured around the thickest portion of the body. (See diagram)
- RULE 6: Applications **MUST** be positively identified **AND** verified by a Professional Fisheries Biologist with the MDWFP.
- RULE 7: The Mississippi Department of Wildlife, Fisheries and Parks 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 fish application. **If the rules are not clear, PLEASE reread them. All rules will be strictly adhered to! The decision of the Mississippi Department of Wildlife, Fisheries and Parks will be final.**
- Return To: MDWFP
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