

Mississippi Boaters' Telephone Directory

Mississippi Department of Wildlife, Fisheries, & Parks Administrative Building

1505 Eastover Drive
Jackson, MS 39211
Phone: 601-432-2400

Boat Registration Department/Titling

601-432-2065

Boating Safety

Law Enforcement
601-432-2182

Boating Education/ Hunter Education Class Schedules/Questions or Call your Local Regional Office

1-800-354-5033

License/Hunting & Fishing

601-432-2055

Law Enforcement Bureau

601-432-2174

Fisheries Bureau

601-432-2200

Game Bureau

601-432-2199

Mississippi State Parks

1-800-GO PARKS

To Report Hunting, Fishing, or Boating Violations

1-800-BE SMART

To Order Hunting/ Fishing License by Visa/ MasterCard

(7 days/24 hours)

1-800-5GO HUNT

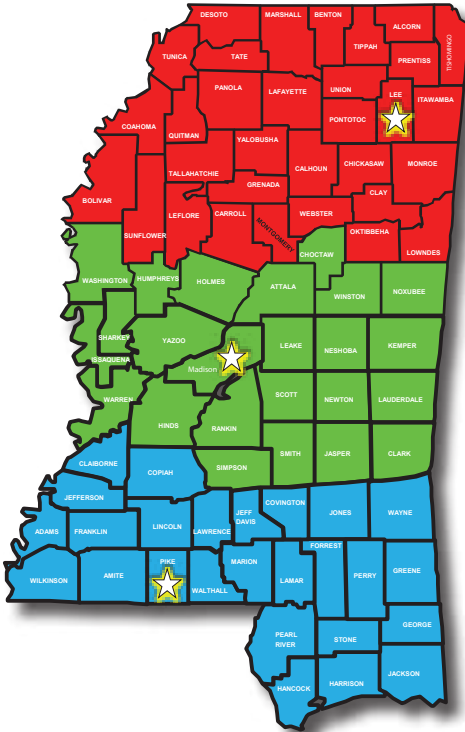
"Mississippi Outdoors" Magazine & TV Show

601-432-2250

Museum of Natural Science

601-354-7303

Mississippi Department of Wildlife, Fisheries, & Parks Regional Offices



North Region
 Tupelo
 662-840-5172
 272 CR995
 Tupelo, MS 38804

Central Region
 Turcotte
 601-859-3421
 506 Hwy. 43 South
 Canton, MS 39406

South Region
 Magnolia
 601-783-2911
 1201 N. Clark Ave.
 Magnolia, MS 39652

Lakes

- Tippah County
- Elvis Presley
- Lamar Bruce
- Monroe
- Oktibbeha County
- Neshoba County
- Kemper County
- Tom Bailey
- Claude Bennett
- Simpson County

- Prentiss Walker
- Calling Panther
- Mary Crawford
- Bill Waller
- Columbia
- Walthall
- Mike Conner
- Jeff Davis
- Bogue Homa
- Perry

Reservoirs

- Arkabutla
- Enid
- Grenada
- Sardis
- Ross Barnett
- Okatibbee

Protecting Mississippi's Waterways

Aquatic Nuisance Species

Introducing non-native species into Mississippi waters can upset the balance of the ecosystem, thereby harming the environment. Aquatic nuisance species, such as zebra mussels, quagga mussels, milfoil, and hydrilla, most often are spread between waterways by hitching a ride on vessels and trailers. When transplanted into new waters, these organisms proliferate, displacing native species and damaging water resources.



How You Can Help

Here's what you can do to prevent spreading aquatic nuisance species:

- ✓ Inspect your vessel and trailer, and remove any plants and animals you see before leaving the area.
- ✓ Drain your motor, live well, and bilge on land before leaving the area.
- ✓ Empty your bait bucket on land. Never release live bait into a body of water or release aquatic animals from one body of water into another.
- ✓ Rinse your vessel, propeller, trailer, and equipment.
- ✓ Air-dry your vessel and equipment for as long as possible.

Required Equipment Checklist

	PWC	Boat Less Than 16 Ft.	Boat 16 Ft. to Less Than 26 Ft.
Boating Education Certificate	✓ 1	✓ 1	✓ 1
Certificate of Number On Board	✓	✓	✓
Validation Decals Displayed	✓	✓	✓
PFDs: Type I, II, III, or V	✓ 2	✓ 3	✓ 3
PFD: Type IV			✓
Ignition Safety Switch	✓ 4		
Type B-I Fire Extinguisher	✓	✓	✓
Backfire Flame Arrestor	✓	✓ 5	✓ 5
Ventilation System	✓	✓	✓
Muffler	✓	✓	✓
Horn, Whistle, or Bell	✓	✓	✓
Daytime Visual Distress Signals			✓ 6
Nighttime Visual Distress Signals	7	✓ 6	✓ 6
Navigation Lights	7	✓	✓

1. Applicable if operator is born after June 30, 1980. See page 26.
2. Those on PWCs must *wear* a Type I, II, or III PFD at all times.
3. Those 12 years old and younger must *wear* a PFD at all times when underway in a vessel less than 26 ft. in length.
4. When boating on Mississippi marine waters south of Interstate Highway 10 (I-10).
5. Required on inboard and stern drives only.
6. When boating on federally controlled waters.
7. It is strongly recommended that PWCs are not operated after dark. However, if a PWC is operated at night, it has the same requirements for visual distress signals and navigation lights as a boat less than 16 feet long.

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