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220-3-.87 Gulf Reef Fish Endorsement.

(1) Except as otherwise provided in this rule, pursuant to the authority of Section 9-12-9 of the Code of Ala. 1975, any person possessing, taking, or attempting to take species or groups of species of gulf reef fish (as defined in Rule 220-3-.46) shall purchase an Alabama Gulf Reef Fish Endorsement. Likewise, any person who is required to purchase a license for a commercial party boat or commercial fishing vessel from the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (Department) which is used for possessing, ~~or~~ taking, or attempting to take any species of gulf reef fish shall purchase an Alabama Gulf Reef Fish Endorsement.

(2) The annual fees and annual expiration dates for Alabama Gulf Reef Fish Endorsements shall be as follows:

(a)	Individual Anglers:	\$10.00
	Expiration Date:	August 31

(b) Individual Angler Lifetime: \$220.00

(c) Fees for commercial party boats shall be as follows and the endorsement for each shall expire on September 30.

1.	1-6 passengers:	\$150.00
2.	7-25 passengers:	\$200.00
3.	More than 25 passengers:	\$250.00

(d)	Commercial f Fishing v Vessel:	\$250.00
	Expiration Date:	September 30

(3) An endorsement for a commercial vessel must be maintained on the vessel. An endorsement issued to an individual angler must be in the possession of the angler when possessing, taking, or attempting to take gulf reef fish.

(4) The following persons are not required to purchase an Alabama Gulf Reef Fish Endorsement:

(a) An angler under the age of 16 years.

(b) An angler possessing, ~~or~~ taking, or attempting to take gulf reef fish while on a commercial fishing vessel or commercial party boat licensed by the Department and for which a Gulf Reef Fish Endorsement has been issued.

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Statutory Authority: Code of Ala. 1975, §§9-2-4, 9-2-7, 9-2-8, 9-2-12, & 9-12-9.

Penalty: As provided by law.

History: New Rule: Filed July 9, 2019; effective August 23, 2019. Published _____ . Effective _____ .

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**TRANSMITTAL SHEET FOR
NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION**

Control No. 220 Department or Agency: Conservation and Natural Resources

Rule No.: 220-3-.87

Rule Title: Gulf Reef Fish Endorsement

New Amend Repeal (of Existing Rule) Adopt by Reference

Would the absence of the proposed rule significantly harm or endanger the public health, welfare, or safety? YES

Is there a reasonable relationship between the state's police power and the protection of the public health, safety, or welfare? YES

Is there another, less restrictive method of regulation available that could adequately protect the public? NO

Does the proposed rule have the effect of directly or indirectly increasing the costs of any goods or services involved and, if so, to what degree? NO

Is the increase in cost, if any, more harmful to the public than the harm that might result from the absence of the rule? N/A

Are all facets of the rulemaking process designed solely for the purpose of, and so they have, as their primary effect, the protection of the public? YES

Does the proposed action relate to or affect in any manner any litigation which the agency is a party to concerning the subject matter of the proposed rule? NO

Does the proposed rule have any economic impact? YES

If the proposed rule has an economic impact, the proposed rule is required to be accompanied by a fiscal note prepared in accordance with subsection (f) of Section 41-22-23, Code of Alabama 1975.

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Certification of Authorized Official

I certify that the attached proposed rule has been proposed in full compliance with the requirements of Chapter 22, Title 41, Code of Alabama 1975 and that it conforms to all applicable filing requirements of the Alabama Administrative Procedure Division of the Legislative Services Agency.

Signature of Certifying Officer Juliana T. Osen
Secretary of Administrative Procedure

Date March 5, 2020

Department of Conservation and Natural Resources
Marine Resources

NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION

AGENCY NAME: Department of Conservation and Natural Resources

RULE NO. & TITLE: 220-3-.87 Gulf Reef Fish Endorsement

INTENDED ACTION: Amendment

SUBSTANCE OF PROPOSED ACTION: To give an individual angler the option to purchase a lifetime Gulf Reef Fish Endorsement for a one-time cost of \$220.00. To reorganize the section on Gulf Reef Fish Endorsement fees for commercial party boats.

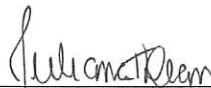
TIME, PLACE, MANNER OF PRESENTING VIEWS: Interested persons may present their views in writing to the Director of Marine Resources at any time during the period stated below, or orally if requested in writing 48 hours in advance to the Director of Marine Resources, and then by personally appearing at the Alabama Marine Resources Division Office located at 2 Iberville Drive, Dauphin Island, Alabama 36528 at 10:00 a.m., Tuesday, May 5, 2020.

If ADA accommodations are needed, please contact Daisy Perry at (334) 242-3165 or daisy.perry@dcnr.alabama.gov. Requests should be made as soon as possible but at least seven days prior to the date of a personal appearance to present views regarding the proposed rules.

FINAL DATE FOR COMMENT AND COMPLETION OF NOTICE:

Tuesday, May 5, 2020.

CONTACT PERSON AT AGENCY: Colonel Scott Bannon, Director, Marine Resources, P.O. Box 189, Dauphin Island, Alabama, 36528. (251)-861-2882.



Juliana T. Dean
Secretary of Administrative Procedure

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