



COASTAL RESOURCES DIVISION

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COMMISSIONER

DOUG HAYMANS
DIRECTOR

September 11, 2026

MEMORANDUM

TO: Members, Board of Natural Resources

FROM: Doug Haymans

SUBJECT: Briefing on Proposed Amendments to the Rules of the Georgia Department of Natural Resources, Saltwater Fishing Regulations, Rules 391-2-4-.16 and 391-2-4-.17

The Coastal Resources Division is proposing to amend Rules 391-2-4-.16 and 391-2-4-.17 in accordance with Georgia Senate Bill 420 which established the framework for the creation of a state reef and migratory species endorsement for recreational anglers. Under Senate Bill 420, Code Section 27-2-23 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated was amended to: (1) create the endorsement; (2) provide for associated fees; (3) provide for reporting of information; and (4) provide for the retention of certain fees.

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I respectfully submit these items for your consideration. The Coastal Resources Division looks forward to presenting these at the September meeting.

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Attachments



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September 22, 2026

NOTICE OF PROPOSED REGULATION CHANGES

TO: All Interested Persons and Parties

FROM: Doug Haymans

SUBJECT: Proposed Amendments to the Saltwater Fishing Regulations, Rules 391-2-4-.16 and 391-2-4-.17

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to authority contained in O.C.G.A. §§ 27-1-4, 27-2-23, 27-2-23.2, 12-2-24, and 27-4-10, the Board of Natural Resources proposes to amend the Saltwater Fishing Regulations, Subject 391-2-4. The proposed amendments will establish a recreational reef/migratory fish endorsement, provide for recreational angler reporting requirements and reporting elements.

Written public comments will be received through Friday, October 30, 2026. Mailed comments must be postmarked by October 30th, and e-mailed comments will be accepted through close of business (4:30 pm) on October 30th. Comments should be legible, concise, and limited to the proposed rule change.

Following this comment period, the Board of Natural Resources will consider the proposed rules on Tuesday, December 1, 2026, at 9:00 AM at the Lake Blackshear Resort, 2459 US-280 West, Cordele, GA 31015.

Mail or email comments to: Julie Califf
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Additional information is available at www.coastalgadnr.org.

**BACKGROUND AND SYNOPSIS OF
PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE RULES OF THE
GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES**

**CHAPTER 391-2
COASTAL RESOURCES**

**SUBJECT 391-2-4
SALTWATER FISHING REGULATIONS**

Background

The Marine Recreational Information Program (MRIP) is a federal-state partnership which consists of two surveys that are used to estimate recreational fishing effort and catch. Current sampling efforts work fairly well for producing estimates for inshore fish species (e.g., Red Drum, Spotted Seatrout), however, the survey does not provide accurate estimates for reef/migratory species such as snappers, groupers, and cobia. The lack of precision and a paucity of information about the number of recreational anglers who participate in saltwater fishing activities in the Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ) confound the survey's ability to produce reliable catch estimates. Regardless of the precision of the catch and release estimates produced, the numbers are included in stock assessments which are used to set catch levels.

Beginning with the 2025 legislative session and concluding with the passage of SB420 in 2026, Georgia's Coastal Conservation Association sought the creation of a Reef and Migratory Fish endorsement. The endorsement will better define the universe of anglers fishing beyond three miles and thus refine the effort estimation. More importantly, the endorsement supports direct trip-level reporting by anglers fishing for any of the nine species found in Rule 391-2-4-.04 that are caught primarily in federal waters. This 'census' will support better management.

This proposed rule will implement SB420 which was signed by Governor Kemp May 11, 2026. The endorsement will become available January 1, 2027, at an annual cost of \$10 for residents and \$20 for non-residents. Per. O.C.G.A. 27-2-3.1, 27-2-4, and 27-2-4.2, respectively, lifetime sportsman licensees, honorary and discounted licensees, and paralyzed or disabled licensees will not pay the fee, however, they will still be required to obtain both the Saltwater Information Program (SIP) permit and the endorsement on an annual basis. Currently, CRD plans to implement the mandatory reporting aspect of this proposed rule in 2028. The timing for implementation has been considered in light of a potential NOAA Fisheries issued Exempted Fishing Permit (EFP) for Red Snapper. The EFP requires mandatory angler trip reporting and to require both could be confusing.

Purpose

The proposed amendments will implement a recreational reef/migratory fish endorsement allowing for state data collection that will improve estimates of offshore saltwater fishing effort and the associated catch for nine reef/migratory fish species. This will allow state, interstate, and federal fishery managers to make better decisions by providing them with more accurate, precise, and timely information than they are currently receiving through MRIP.

Main Features

The primary features of the proposed amendment are:

Modify Rule 391-2-4-.16 Saltwater Fishing Guide and Saltwater Fishing Pier Operator Reporting. Incorporate reporting for recreational anglers participating in the Saltwater Information Program who also have the reef/migratory fish endorsement.

Modify the Purpose of Rule 391-2-4-.17 to include recreational endorsements as well as stipulate the requirements under the Reef/Migratory Fish endorsement.

Differences

An Endorsement would be added to the sport fishing license which would carry a \$10 fee for state residents and a \$20 fee for non-residents. Additionally, lifetime sportsman licensees, honorary and discounted licensees, and paralyzed or disabled licensees will be required to obtain both the SIP and the endorsement on an annual basis for no fee.

391-2-4-.16 Saltwater Fishing Guide and Saltwater Fishing Pier Operator Reporting. Proposed amendment changes the name of Rule to Reporting; Saltwater Fishing Guide and Saltwater Fishing Pier Operator; Certain Endorsement Holders. Additional proposed changes include:

- 1) 391-2-4-.16(2) Persons required to report. Adds persons holding reef/migratory fish endorsements to those required to report data as required by the Department.
- 2) 391-2-4-.16(3) Methods. Modified language to specify methods of required reporting for each reporting group. Added “saltwater fishing guides and saltwater fishing pier operators shall submit...”. Removed “monthly”. Added requirement that reef/migratory fish endorsement holders shall electronically submit records for species listed under the endorsement via an electronic application provided by the Department.
- 3) 391-2-4-.16(4) Times. Modified language to provide specific record reporting times. For saltwater fishing pier operators, monthly records must be submitted by the 10th of the subsequent month; for saltwater fishing guides weekly records must be submitted by the following Tuesday; and for reef/migratory fish endorsement holders, daily electronic reports must be provided within 24 hours of a completed trip.

391-2-4-.17 Commercial fishing Species Endorsements. Proposed changes include modifying the title for this section to Fishing Species Endorsements. Additional proposed changes include:

- 1) 391-2-4-.17(1) Purpose. Remove ‘commercial’
- 2) 391-2-4-.17(2) Endorsements. Add language requiring individuals with a recreational fishing license and a SIP permit to also have a reef/migratory fish endorsement to land species listed in 391-2-4-.17(2)(m).
- 3) Created 391-2-4-17(2)(m) Reef/Migratory Fish. List of landed species considered under the endorsement. Includes: Amberjack, Black Sea Bass, Cobia, Dolphin, Gag Grouper, King Mackerel, Red Porgy, Red Snapper, and Spanish Mackerel.

Date, Time, and Place of Board Action

Board Action: Tuesday, December 1, 2026, at 9:00 AM at the Lake Blackshear Resort, 2459 US-280 West, Cordele, GA 31015.

Public Participation Plan

Amendments to Saltwater Fishing Regulations, Rules 391-2-4-.16 and 391-2-4-.17

- September 22, 2026 - CRD presents proposed amended Rules 391-2-4-.16 and 391-2-4-.17 to the Board of Natural Resources, Coastal Committee.
- September 23, 2026 - Public Notice of the Proposed Rule is advertised through various print media, GovDelivery and on the CRD website. Additionally, the notice will be mailed to all persons who have requested in writing that they be placed on a mailing list which shall be maintained by the agency for advance notice of its rule-making proceedings and who have tendered the actual cost of such mailing as from time to time estimated by the agency.
- October 30, 2026 - Public comment period closes.
- December 1, 2026 - Consideration of public comment and final action on proposed amended rule.



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September 8, 2026

MEMORANDUM

TO: Board of Natural Resources

FROM: Doug Haymans

SUBJECT: Economic Impact of Proposed Amended Rule on Small Businesses:
Subject 391-2-4, Saltwater Fishing Regulations

The Administrative Procedure Act requires that during the formation and adoption of any rules, attempts should be made to reduce the economic impact of those rules on small businesses. This applies to businesses that are independently owned and operated, are not dominant in the field and employ 100 employees or less.

The reef/migratory fish endorsement was created through statute and rulemaking is required to ensure consistency between law and regulation. Individuals with recreational fishing licenses who are identified as participants in the Saltwater Information Program and harvest any of the nine species identified under the reef/migratory fish endorsement will be required to obtain the endorsement for a nominal fee. Though the approval of Senate Bill 420, the Georgia General Assembly indicated it did not consider the cost of the reef/migratory fish endorsement to be overly burdensome.

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ADDITIONS ARE UNDERLINED AND DELETIONS ARE
~~STRIKETHROUGH~~**

**RULES
OF
GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES**

**CHAPTER 391-2
COASTAL RESOURCES**

**SUBJECT 391-2-4
SALTWATER FISHING REGULATIONS**

**~~391-2-4.16 Saltwater Fishing Guide and Saltwater Fishing
Pier Operator Reporting~~**

**Reporting; Saltwater Fishing Guide and Saltwater Fishing Pier
Operator; Certain Endorsement Holders**

(1) **Purpose.** The purpose of these Rules is to implement the authority of the Board of Natural Resources to promulgate rules and regulations to set such times and manners for submitting records as may be required by the Department.

(2) **Persons required to report.** ~~Effective January 1, 2014 a~~ All persons licensed as salt water fishing guides and all persons operating licensed salt water fish piers pursuant to O.C.G.A. 27-2-23.2, and all persons holding reef/migratory fish endorsements per O.C.G.A. 27-2-23 and Rule 391-2-4.17 shall report such information as may be required by the Department.

(3) **Methods.** ~~Monthly records are to be submitted on forms supplied by the Department or on an alternate form approved by the Department. All requests for approval of an alternate form~~

~~must be submitted to the Department in writing with a copy of the proposed alternate form attached or included with the request. The alternate form must provide identical information and follow the same format as the Department form. Upon receipt of a request for approval of an alternate form, the Department will review the form for the required information within 5 days of the receipt of the request. All persons that use an approved alternate form shall be responsible for all costs associated with the printing and use of such forms.~~

(3) **Methods.** Records are to be submitted electronically, or on forms supplied by the Department, or on an alternate form approved by the Department. As permissible, information required by the Department may be hand delivered, or submitted via mail, or electronically. Information required by the Department shall be reported in the following manner:

(a) **Salt water fishing guides.** Shall submit records electronically, or on forms supplied by the Department, or on an alternate form approved by the Department.

(b) **Saltwater fishing piers.** Shall submit records electronically, or on forms supplied by the Department, or on an alternate form approved by the Department.

(c) **SIP holders with reef/migratory fish endorsement.** Reef/migratory fish endorsement holders shall electronically submit records for those species listed on the endorsement via a digital application provided by the Department.

(d) **Alternate reporting forms.** All requests for approval of an alternate form must be submitted to the Department in writing with a copy of the proposed alternate form attached or included with the request. The alternate form must provide identical information and

follow the same format as the Department form. Upon receipt of a request for approval of an alternate form, the Department will review the form for the required information within 5 days of the receipt of the request. All persons that use an approved alternate form shall be responsible for all costs associated with the printing and use of such forms.

~~(4) **Times.** If required by the Department, all salt water fishing guides and salt water fishing pier operators shall submit written monthly records of activity to the Department, whose address for the purpose of reporting shall be the Coastal Resources Division headquarters, by the tenth day of the subsequent month. These records may be hand delivered or submitted via mail, or electronically. Permission to submit records electronically must be obtained from the Department.~~

(4) **Times.** Records shall be submitted to the Department, whose address for the purpose of reporting shall be the Coastal Resources Division headquarters. Information required by the Department shall be submitted by the following deadlines:

(a) **Salt water fishing guides.** Shall submit written or electronic weekly records of activity by the following Tuesday for the preceding week.

(b) **Saltwater fishing piers.** Shall submit written or electronic monthly records of activity by the tenth day of the subsequent month.

(c) **SIP holders with reef/migratory fish endorsement.** Shall submit daily electronic reports within 24hrs of trip completion.

(5) **Penalties.** Pursuant to O.C.G.A. Sections 27-1-36 and 27-2-25, failure to comply with the provisions of this rule may result in a

civil penalty imposed by the commissioner of up to \$1000.00 and/or a suspension of or refusal to renew the license for up to two years.

Statutory Authority: O.C.G.A. Title 12, Secs. 12-2-24, 27-1-4, 27-2-23.2, 27-4-10.

391-2-4.17 ~~Commercial~~ Fishing Species Endorsements

(1) **Purpose.** The purpose of these Rules is to implement the authority of the Board of Natural Resources to promulgate rules and regulations to designate species of wildlife or species grouping of wildlife that require a ~~commercial~~ fishing species endorsement.

(2) **Endorsements.** In addition to a commercial fishing license and commercial fishing boat license required by Code Sections 27-4-110 and 27-2-8, any person engaged in commercial fishing shall obtain a separate commercial fishing species endorsement for each species or species grouping listed in subparagraphs (a) through (l). ~~below:~~ In addition to a recreational fishing license and saltwater information program permit required by Code Sections 27-2-23 and 27-2-20.1 any person landing species listed in subparagraph (m) shall obtain the endorsement.

(a) **Bait Minnows (family Fundulidae).** A bait minnow endorsement is required of employees of a licensed bait dealer that are engaged in the harvest of bait minnows, other than those exempted by Code Section 27-4-171, but is not required of the licensed bait dealer.

(b) **Bait Shrimp (*Penaeus spp.*).** A bait shrimp endorsement is required of employees of a licensed bait dealer that are engaged in the harvest of bait shrimp, other than those exempted by Code Section 27-4-171, but is not required of the licensed bait dealer.

(c) **Cannonball Jellyfish (*Stomolophus meleagris*)**. A cannonball jellyfish endorsement is required of any licensed commercial fisherman employed on board a trawl vessel harvesting or landing cannonball jellyfish unless the fisherman is onboard a vessel having a trawler crew license issued pursuant to Code Section 27-2-8.

(d) **Catfish in Saltwater (families Ariidae and Ictaluridae)**. A catfish in saltwater endorsement is required of any licensed commercial fisherman harvesting or landing catfish in saltwater.

(e) **Crab (*Callinectes spp.*)** A crab endorsement is required of any licensed commercial fisherman employed by a commercial crab harvester or by a soft-shell crab-dealer, or employed on board a trawl vessel harvesting or landing crab, but is not required of a licensed commercial crab harvester or a licensed soft-shell crab dealer licensed pursuant to Code Section 27-4-150. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a crab endorsement shall not be required of a fisherman onboard a vessel having a trawler crew license issued pursuant to Code Section 27-2-8.

(f) **Eel (*Anguilla spp.*)** An eel endorsement is required of any licensed commercial fisherman harvesting or landing eel.

(g) **Finfish**. A finfish endorsement is required of any licensed commercial fisherman harvesting or landing finfish other than shad, catfish in saltwater or bait minnows. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a finfish endorsement shall not be required of a licensed commercial fisherman onboard a vessel having a trawler crew license issued pursuant to Code Section 27-2-8.

(h) **Food Shrimp (*Penaeus spp.*)** A food shrimp endorsement is required of any licensed commercial fisherman employed by a commercial shrimp castnet harvester or onboard a trawl vessel

unless the fisherman is onboard a vessel having a trawler crew license issued pursuant to Code Section 27-2-8.

(i) **Horseshoe crab (*Limulus polyphemus*)**. A horseshoe crab endorsement is required of any licensed commercial fisherman harvesting or landing horseshoe crabs unless the fisherman is onboard a vessel having a trawler crew license issued pursuant to Code Section 27-2-8.

(j) **Shad (*Alosa spp.*)** A shad endorsement is required of any licensed commercial fisherman harvesting or landing shad.

(k) **Shellfish (*Crassostrea spp.* and *Mercenaria spp.*)**. A shellfish endorsement is required of any employee of a master collecting permittee actively involved in the harvest or landing of shellfish and includes the master collecting permit holder.

(l) **Whelk (family *Busyconidae*)**. A whelk endorsement is required of any licensed commercial fisherman harvesting or landing whelk unless the fisherman is onboard a vessel having a trawler crew license issued pursuant to Code Section 27-2-8.

(m) **Reef/Migratory Fish.** A Reef/Migratory Fish endorsement is required of any licensed recreational fisherman landing the following species in Georgia, no matter the jurisdiction from which they were caught; Amberjack (*Seriola spp.*), Black sea bass (*Centropristis striata*), Cobia (*Rachycentron canadum*), Dolphin (*Coryphaena hippurus*), Gag grouper (*Mycteroperca microlepis*), King mackerel (*Scomberomorus cavalla*), Red Porgy (*Pagrus pagrus*), Red Snapper (*Lutjanus campechanus*), and Spanish mackerel (*Scomberomorus maculatus*).

Statutory Authority: O.C.G.A Title 12, §§ 12-2-24, 27-1-4, 27-2-23 27-4-10.

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CHAPTER 391-2
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SUBJECT 391-2-4
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391-2-4-.16 Reporting; Saltwater Fishing Guide and Saltwater Fishing Pier Operator; Certain Endorsement Holders

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