

FACT SHEET

Mississippi Seafood Labeling Law (MS Code 69-1-55)

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On July 1, 2025, this new law obligates all wholesalers, processors, retailers and food service establishments in the state of Mississippi to properly label seafood and crawfish as either:

"Domestic"

if harvested, raised, and processed in the U.S.

or

"Imported"

if harvested, raised and/or processed outside the U.S.

THE LABELING TEXT must be in a font size at least equal to the product name to ensure visibility.

LABELS MUST APPEAR on menus, packaging, sales displays or any form of advertisement prominently available to the public where seafood or crawfish is being sold or promoted.

IF SERVING only Domestic or only Imported seafood or crawfish, then clearly visible signage located in a prominent location on the premises stating as such is allowed in lieu of labeling individual items.

COUNTRY OF ORIGIN LABELING may be used in lieu of the terms Domestic or Imported if it is in a font that is at least the same size as the name of the seafood or crawfish being sold or promoted.

IF MENUS ARE NOT ABLE TO BE ALTERED AT THIS TIME, and/or the origin of the seafood or crawfish frequently fluctuates, items can be labeled appropriately on menu inserts, daily specials menus, chalkboard signs, digital displays or any other form of signage, as long it is placed in a readily noticeable location that is accessible and clearly visible to customers.

ANY GOOD FAITH RELIANCE CLAIM must be supported by the appropriate evidence of the documentation from the supplier. The supplier is required to provide documentation to the wholesaler, processor, retailer or food service establishment indicating the country of origin of the seafood or crawfish.



MORE INFORMATION AND COMPREHENSIVE FAQ:

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