

**AGENCY USE ONLY**

Applicant's name

Joel E. Duck  
First name Middle initial Last name

Date of catch

9/11/2023  
MM/DD/YYYY

Date application received

9/12/2023  
MM/DD/YYYY

Division of entry (check one):

MEN  WOMEN

Species common name

Spot

Genus and species

Leiostomus xanthurus

Current record weight:

N/A  
Pounds Ounces

Entry weight:

1.02  
Pounds Ounces

Weight needed:

N/A  
Pounds Ounces

REVIEW COMMITTEE

	Approve NEW Record	Approve TIE Record	Disapprove Record	Approve Outstanding Catch	Disapprove Outstanding Catch
Tyler Jones Program Coordinator				<u>TJ</u>	
Paul Medders Program Advisor	<u>PM</u>				
Jared Flowers Research and Surveys	<u>JF</u>				
Carolyn Belcher Chief of Marine Fisheries	<u>CNB</u>				
Doug Haymans Division Director	<u>DH</u>				

Notes

Not a currently listed species in rules. -TJ  
 SC, NC, and several other states have records for spot. We have a pintfish record - JF

## GEORGIA SALTWATER GAME FISH RECORDS PROGRAM

### APPLICATION FOR STATE RECORD

Prior to completing this application, please read the Georgia Saltwater Game Fish Records Program rules and regulations at [CoastalGaDNR.org/SaltwaterRecords](http://CoastalGaDNR.org/SaltwaterRecords). This application must be accompanied by photographs as specified in the Program's rules and regulations. Incomplete applications may be rejected or take longer to process. By completing this application, you agree to allow the Georgia Department of Natural Resources to release to the public photos and relevant information regarding a new record, tie record, or outstanding catch.

#### I. ANGLER IDENTITY

Angler name (as you would wish it to appear on your state record certificate): Joel E Duck Date of Birth: [REDACTED]  
First name Middle initial Last name MM / DD / YYYY

Permanent address:  
[REDACTED]  
Street  
BWR Glynn GA 31523  
City County State ZIP

Phone number: [REDACTED] Email address: [REDACTED]@gmail.com  
Including area code

Fishing license information: [REDACTED] Division of entry (check one):  MEN  WOMEN Fishing club affiliation (if any): N/A  
Georgia fishing license number

Saltwater Information Program (SIP) Permit expiration date: [REDACTED]  
MM / DD / YYYY (Note: A valid SIP permit is required by law, O.C.G.A. 27-2-20.1)

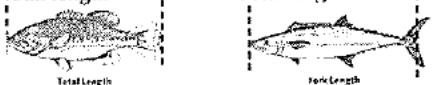
Note: You do not need a fishing license or SIP permit if you are covered under a Georgia Charter/Guide License. To be eligible, you must have been on a paid charter trip when you caught your fish, and the guide must be appropriately licensed. Be sure to include the charter guide's information in Section "TV Vessel".

#### II. CATCH INFORMATION

Species (common name): Spot Date of catch: 9/11/23

Place of catch (be specific): ~~BWR~~ BWR River Method of catch: Hook & Line  
Trotting, casting, fly fishing, et cetera

Weight: 1.02 Length (in inches): 12.5 Girth (in inches): \_\_\_\_\_  
Pounds Ounces Total length Fork length Distance around the thickest part of body



III. EQUIPMENT

Rod:

Uglystick 7'  
Make and length

Reel:

PODIO  
Make

Line:

Stren 15 lbs  
Make and test

Name of lure or type of bait:

dead shrimp

Terminal rig description:

Number of hooks, type, arrangement

IV. VESSEL (IF APPLICABLE)

Vessel name:

N/A

Vessel captain:

First and last name

Captain's permanent address:

Street Apartment/Unit

City County State ZIP

Captain's phone number:

Captain's signature:

Including area code

X

V. SCALES

Weighmaster's name

Donna McDowell  
First and last name

Scale owner:

GA PNR  
Name of business, fishing club, etc cetera

Physical address of scale:

GA PNR Coastal Regional HQ  
Street Unit

City County State ZIP

Agency of scale certification:

POA  
i.e. Georgia Dept. of Agriculture

Date of last scale certification

May '23  
MM / YYYY

Weighmaster's phone number:

912 284 7218  
Including area code

Weighmaster's signature:

X Donna McDowell

VI. EYEWITNESS TO CATCH

Name of eye witness to catch (other than angler or captain):

N/A  
First and last name

Phone number:

Including area code

Signature of eye witness to catch:

X

VII. EYEWITNESS TO WEIGHING

Name of eye witness to weighing (other than weighmaster):

Tyler Jones GA DNR  
First and last name

Phone number:

Including area code

Signature of eye witness to weighing:

X [Signature]

VIII. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

Fighting time, equipment used, additional witnesses, et cetera:

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\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

IX. ANGLER AFFIDAVIT

I, the undersigned applicant, hereby take oath and attest that the fish described in this application was hooked, fought, and brought to gaff by me without assistance from anyone, except as specifically provided in the rules and regulations of the Georgia Saltwater Game Fish Program, and it was caught in accordance with the Program's rules and regulations. I further declare that all information in this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature of angler applicant:

X [Signature]

Date of signature:

9/12/23  
MM/DD/YYYY

Applicants who lack a valid Georgia fishing license, active Saltwater Information Program Permit, or other necessary permits will be disqualified. The Georgia Department of Natural Resources Law Enforcement Division will check permits as part of this application.

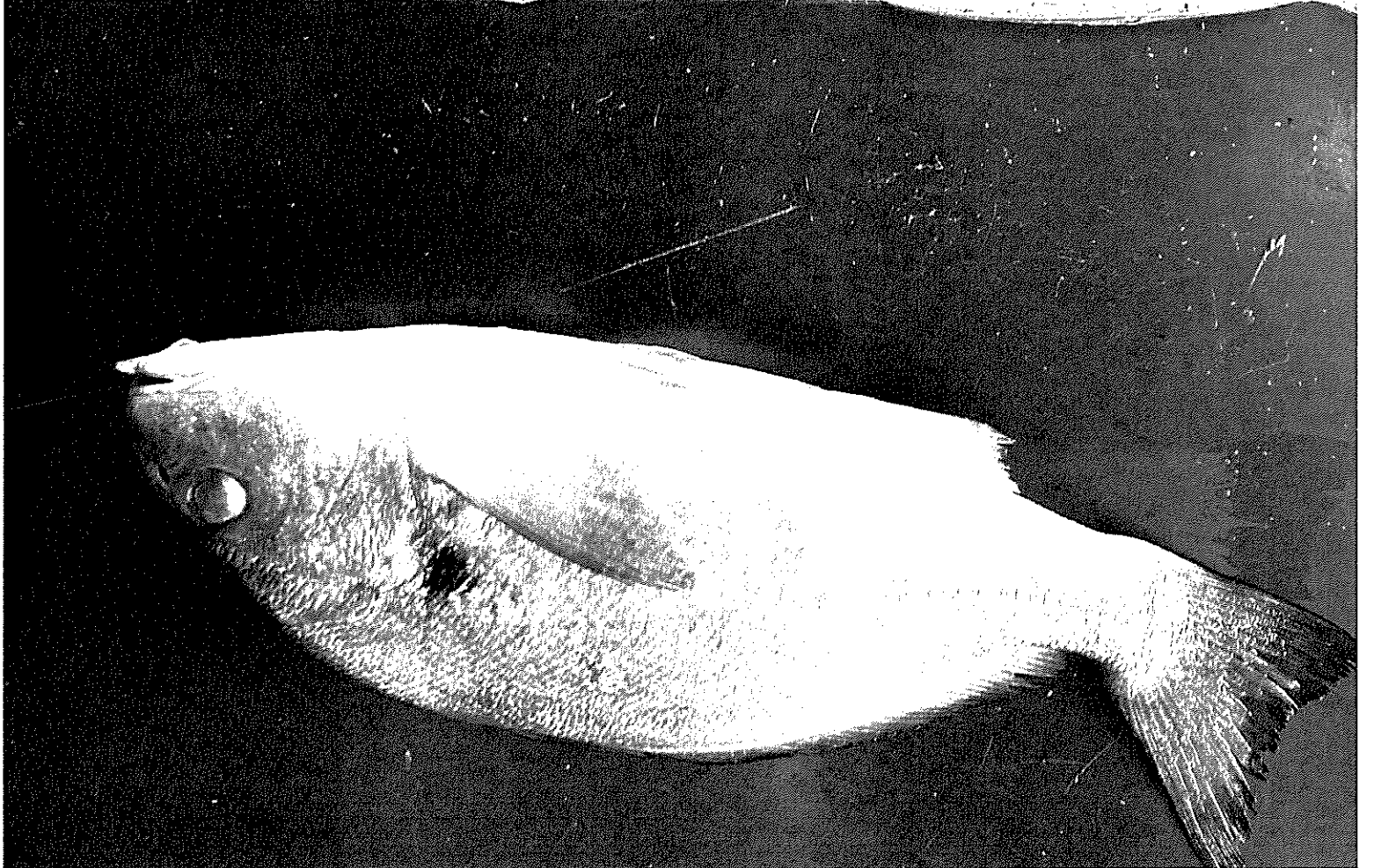
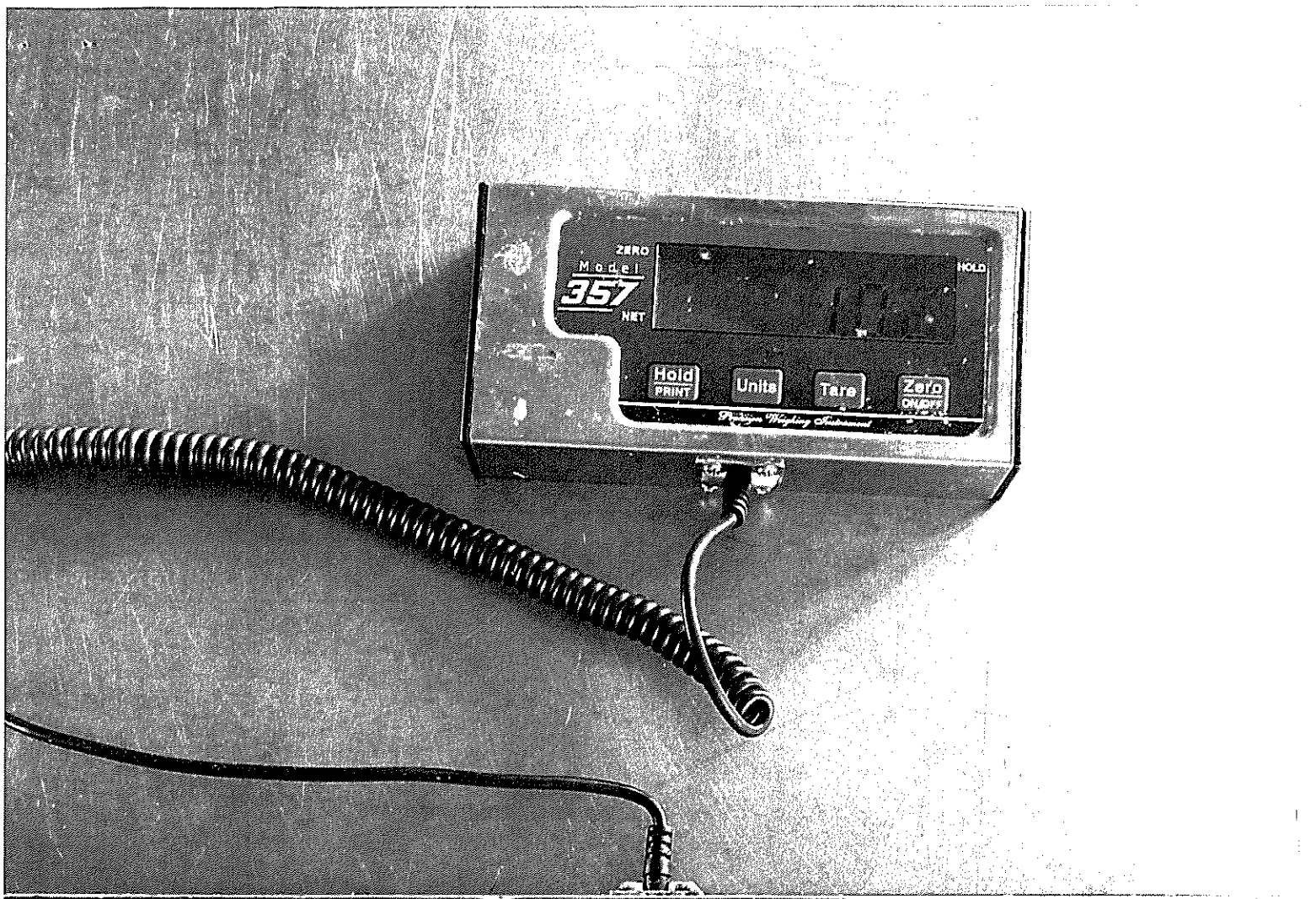
When this application is completely filled out and signed, mail it with the necessary photos to:

Saltwater Game Fish Records Program  
Coastal Resources Division  
Georgia Department of Natural Resources  
One Conservation Way  
Brunswick, GA 31250

or email the complete application and photographs to [tyler.jones@dnr.ga.gov](mailto:tyler.jones@dnr.ga.gov)

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COASTAL RESOURCES DIVISION  
ONE CONSERVATION WAY · BRUNSWICK, GA 31520 · 912-264-7218

WALTER RABON  
COMMISSIONER

DOUG HAYMANS  
DIRECTOR

Sept. 19, 2023

Mr. Joel E. Duck  


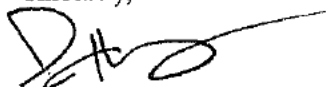
Dear Mr. Duck:

I wish to personally congratulate you on your new men's Georgia state record catch of a Spot (*Leiostomus xanthurus*), caught Sept. 11, 2023, in the Brunswick River in Brunswick, Ga. Enclosed is a certificate that serves to recognize not only the size of the catch, but your skill as an angler and the sportsmanship displayed in landing a record-setting game fish.

Your name will be added to the official record on our website at CoastalGaDNR.org and will appear in the 2024 edition of the Georgia Sport Fishing Regulations guide.

Again, congratulations on your achievement, and thank you for your participation in Georgia's Saltwater Game Fish Record program.

Sincerely,

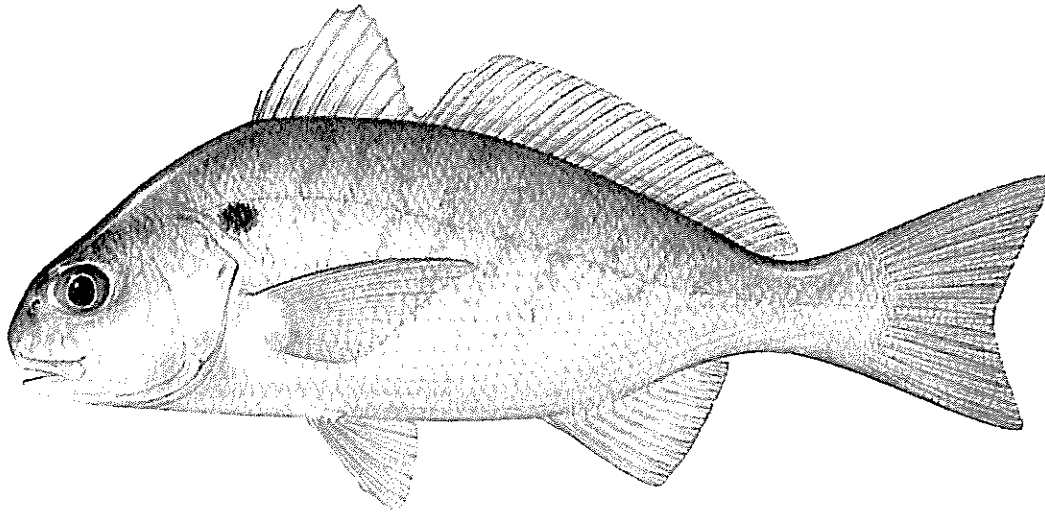


Doug Haymans  
Director  
Coastal Resources Division  
Georgia Department of Natural Resources

COPY

Enclosures: Records Review Committee package (copy), Georgia Saltwater Gamefish Record certificate





# STATE RECORD

## Georgia Saltwater Game Fish Records Program

The Georgia Department of Natural Resources hereby recognizes that

**JOEL E. DUCK** **COPY**

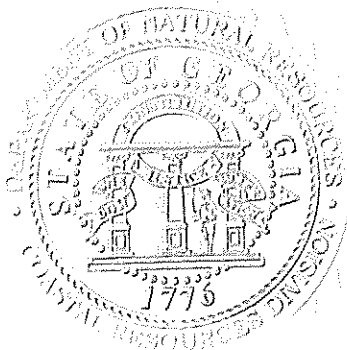
has been awarded the men's state angling record for a catch of the heaviest Spot (*Leiostomus xanthurus*) under the rules of the Georgia Saltwater Game Fish Records Program and in accordance with its regulations.

**SPOT**  
*Leiostomus xanthurus*

**1 POUND, 0.32 OUNCES**  
*0.463 kilograms*

**SEPTEMBER 11, 2023**  
*Date of Catch*

Witness, this day, September 19, 2023,



**GOVERNOR**  
*State of Georgia*

**COMMISSIONER**  
*Department of Natural Resources*

**DIRECTOR**  
*Coastal Resources Division*