

2024 Shrimp King Qualifications

1. He must be a lifelong (no less than 20 years) participant working in the seafood industry. This must include all or part of his work specific to the shrimping industry in Biloxi.
2. He must be of good standing in the community. Consideration will be given to character, however, there will be no discrimination as to race, nationality, or religion.
3. He must be available to attend all of the events that take place for the 2024 Blessing of the Fleet, as well as the 2025 Shrimp King Coronation.
4. Must provide at least a 1 page biography of connection to the seafood industry.
5. Nomination form **must** be submitted in writing via e-mail to: stmichaelccbiloxi@gmail.com, or by mail to: Biloxi Blessing of the Fleet P.O. Box 523 Biloxi, MS 39533 no later than April 1, 2024.
6. Shrimp King is selected with careful consideration by the Blessing of the Fleet Committee.

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Responsibilities and Conduct

1. Must attend all of the following Blessing of the Fleet functions on time:
 - Poster Unveiling at St. Michaels FLC June 6th 6:00pm
 - Rehearsal at Biloxi Civic Center July 3rd 6:00pm
 - Mass honoring deceased fishermen at St. Michaels Church 6:00pm
 - Past Royalty Reception St. Michael FLC July 5th at 6:00pm
 - Luncheon at Mary Mahoney's July 6th 10:30am
 - Blessing Mass St. Michaels Church July 6th at 4:00pm
 - Coronation following Mass July 6th at the Biloxi Civic Center
 - Blessing of the Fleet on Sunday July 7th at noon.
2. You must conduct yourself in a manner worthy of "Royalty" at all times as you will be representing the well-respected title of Shrimp King.
3. Any appearances made in the capacity of Shrimp King will be subject to the advanced approval of the Blessing of the Fleet Committee.
4. The King's crown remains property of St. Michael Catholic Church and is only loaned to the King for official functions.

Signature/Date