



Town Of Sandwich Beach Information 2019

Beach stickers can be purchased at the Tax Collector's Office, Town Hall Annex, 145 Main Street, during office hours starting March 1st. They also will be available for purchase online at www.capecodbeachstickers.com

Fees - Town of Sandwich Resident

First Vehicle: \$35.00 each (all Sandwich beaches plus Sandy Neck beach lot)

Second Vehicle: \$20.00 each (must be registered at same address as First Vehicle)

Third Vehicle: \$35.00 each (must be registered at same address as First Vehicle)

Fees - Non Resident *

\$105.00: **All Town of Sandwich beaches**

\$70.00: **Ryder Conservation Area Only** (can be purchased at the Ryder gate)

***Bourne residents** can purchase Sandwich beach stickers at the **resident rate**, but it does **NOT** include access to Sandy Neck or Snake Pond. Limit of 200 stickers per year are sold. We need proof of Bourne residency (car registration or tax bill) to purchase.

** **NOTE: ALL NON- RESIDENT Stickers do NOT include Sandy Neck parking**

Daily and Weekly Rates**

Daily Rate: \$20.00

Weekly Pass (7 Consecutive day sticker) : \$50.00 (can be purchased at the gates)

Buses - 15 passengers or less - \$30

16 passengers or more - \$50

****Purchased at the beach gatehouses**

****Stickers do NOT include Sandy Neck parking**

Ocean Beaches:

Town Neck Beach/Boardwalk: Town Neck Road to Wood Avenue, Sandwich. (No Lifeguards)

First Beach: Corner of Freeman's Ave and Town Neck Road (No Lifeguards - Pay station maybe available)

East Sandwich Beach: Ploughed Neck Road to North Shore Boulevard, East Sandwich. (No Lifeguards)

Sandy Neck Beach: Route 6A to Sandy Neck Road, Barnstable. Four-wheel drive permits are available through the Gatehouse at Sandy Neck Beach, (508) 362-8300, or through the Barnstable Department of Natural Resources (508) 790-6272.

Fresh Water Beaches:

Snake Pond Beach: Route 130 to Snake Pond Rd, Forestdale. (Lifeguards from June 28th - Sept 2nd 10 am to 4:30 pm)

Wakeby Lake at Ryder Conservation: Cotuit Rd to South Sandwich Rd. (Lifeguards from June 28th - Sept 2nd, 10 am to 4:30pm)

Peters Pond at Oakcrest Cove: 34 Quaker Meetinghouse Rd, Forestdale. (Lifeguards from June 28th - Sept 2nd, 10 am to 4:30)

Please note: Beach staff including Lifeguards are on duty where available based on staffing and need.

Beach Stickers / Passes will be required

Starting weekends on May 24th at Town Neck , First Beach and Boardwalk parking lots

Daily at ALL BEACH locations on June 28th

from 9:00AM to 4:00 PM

Ryder Conservation Gate from 9:00 AM to 7:00 PM

For Beach Sticker inquires please call the Tax Collector's Office at 508-833-8012.

For Beach/ Gate questions or concerns please contact the Recreation Department at 508-888-4361.



Beach Rules and Regulations

- 1 In order to enable the public to enjoy the beach facilities at and about the common landing places within the Town of Sandwich, the Board of Selectman have adopted the following rules and regulations pursuant to the provisions of the General Laws, Chapter 88, Section 19, as amended.
- 2 No littering is allowed and all refuse shall be placed in trash containers provided. No household refuse shall be disposed of in town containers. No glass containers will be allowed on beaches or in parking lots at any time. This includes bottles, drinking glasses, jugs etc.
- 3 No person shall engage in business, sell or expose for sale or give away any goods or circulars unless suitably licensed and then only in the public parking areas in accordance with applicable laws except by concessionaires under contract with the Town of Sandwich.
- 4 All persons utilizing the area shall comply with the directives of any Police Officers, Natural Resources Officers, Recreation Director, town lifeguards, property manager or agents of the town at all times.
- 5 No person or persons shall possess or consume any alcoholic beverages or any illegal substances on any public beach or beach parking area at any time. Disorderly or unlawful conduct will not be permitted at any time.
- 6 The Town of Sandwich assumes no liability for injury, death or loss of personal property. Children under the age of 12 may not attend any beach or adjacent facility unless accompanied by an adult. Any minor child on a beach of the Town is the responsibility of the minor child's parents and or guardian or other person/persons who may be in charge of minor children and in the case of group events (e.g. field trips) or any other group functions.
- 7 Groups of more than five (5) persons who plan to use any town beach or parking lot for any function or group activity shall complete and submit application and fee as per the Town of Sandwich Coastal Area Use Regulations, adopted by the Board of Selectmen (04/2000;Rev. 03/2002)
- 8 Ball playing, tossing of Frisbees or other tossed objects, flying kites, or other wide-ranging activities shall be permitted only with the express condition of the town staff in such areas designated by them. Use of rafts, inflatable, umbrellas etc. may be prohibited at the discretion of town staff at any time.
- 9 All town beaches shall be closed from 10:00 PM to 7:00 AM daily. Fishermen may be granted permission to use Town Beach during closed hours, first securing a permit from the Natural Resources Department. No overnight camping, tenting, or sleeping shall be permitted. (For Oak Crest Cove, Boyden Farm and Ryder Conservation Lands reference their separate regulations)
- 10 **Open Fires**, often referred to as cook fires, shall be prohibited on all town beaches or parking lots at all times. Cooking shall only be conducted on gas or charcoal grills. Charcoal shall be properly disposed of, not dumped on the ground or buried anywhere on any beach, dune bank or in any area around the parking lots. Possession or discharges of fireworks are not allowed at any time unless the Sandwich Fire Department and Board of Selectmen authorize a public display.
- 11 Vehicle parking is allowed in designated areas only. Hazardous vehicle operation is prohibited; all vehicles must not exceed a 15 MPH speed limit in any beach parking lot or access road. All terrain vehicles (ATV) and cycles (ATC), snowmobiles, hovercraft, beach buggies, off road vehicles are prohibited from operating on any town beach, coastal dune, bank or parking lot at any time. Any vehicle operating on a town beach(s) are subject to an additional **\$ 200.00** fine as per the Town of Sandwich Bylaws, Chapter 3, Section 3.75, Part 1. All state motor vehicle laws are applicable in beach parking lots.
- 12 No person shall cut, break, remove, deface, defile or ill use any structures, fence, sign, poster gate, barrier or any natural feature or have in possession of any thereof. Growing trees, bushes, plants or flowers shall not be defaced, defiled, or cut. No trails may be marked or cut, or dams or other structures, such as lean-tos, bridges, towers, docks, piers or handrails may be constructed. No postings or signs are to be attached to any tree or structures. No person shall bait or feed wildlife on the property at any time.
- 13 Sanitary facilities will be available during the regular beach season (end of June to Labor Day).
- 14 No Person or vehicle of any kind will be permitted on coastal dunes except in designated cross over areas. Please assist with beach conservation efforts and keep everyone including children off the dunes.
- 15 From **April 1 to September 15**, pets (e.g., dogs, horses) are prohibited on any salt water public beach including dunes and beach parking areas. From **May 15 to September 15**, pets (e.g., dogs, horses) are prohibited on all other public beaches including beach parking areas. Owners are responsible for keeping their dogs under close control and picking up their pet's waste and disposing of it properly. From **April 1 to September 15**, no person or their pets shall enter areas marked for the purpose of protecting critical habitat for state and federally-listed shore birds.
- 16 All persons are prohibited from walking upon or entering onto any area that may interfere with or harass resident or migratory endangered species or species of special concerns as designated by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts or the US Fish and Wildlife Service. Agents of the Town typically delineate these areas. Please follow their directions. Persons shall avoid all activities that irreparably alter and/or damage any salt marsh, dune, beach or any tidal area.
- 17 Violations hereof shall be punishable by a fine of \$25.00 for the first offense, \$50.00 for the second offense, and \$100.00 for the third and subsequent offenses of any of these regulations, as specified by the Town of Sandwich Bylaws or subject to criminal prosecution. Littering, discarding, dumping or placing of rubbish, or other foreign materials on any portion of any town beach may result in criminal prosecution under M.G.L. Chapter 270 S 16. Fines up to \$5,000.00 or loss of driver's license for up to one year may be incurred.

The Town of Sandwich reserves the right to amend, alter or revise these regulations at any time following a public hearing.

Note: In the case of Town Beach, the beach from the westerly boundary of "Horizon's Beach" to the Old Harbor Inlet, including the entire barrier beach (along Cape Cod Bay and along Mill Creek), is subject to these regulations.

**Questions about a town beach?
Contact the Recreation Department at (508) 888-4361**