

**Town Of Rockport
Regulations Applicable to
Public Beaches and Parks**

- 1) Parks and beaches are closed between the hours of 11:00 pm and 6:00 am.
- 2) No Fires allowed, except in a charcoal or propane burner, without permission of the Board of Selectmen and the Fire Chief.
- 3) No Tents allowed any time. Overnight camping is not permitted.
- 4) Dogs are not allowed on any public beach from June 1 to September 15. Dogs are not allowed in public parks unless on a leash or under voice control.
- 5) No vehicles, motorcycles, mopeds, or motorized bicycles will be permitted within beach or park areas without the permission of the Board of Selectmen, unless they are on official business for the Town of Rockport. Cars shall park in designated areas only.
- 6) Rubbish shall be placed in the receptacles provided. No bottles or glass or any kind is allowed on the beaches or parks. The placing of household refuse in a town owned litter barrel is prohibited.
- 7) Playing football, baseball or Frisbee or similar types of games on beach area is prohibited unless authorized by a lifeguard. Horseback riding is prohibited year round on Front, Back, and Old Garden beach: it is permitted between October 1st and May 1st on Cape Hedge, Long and Pebble beaches.
- 8) Jumping from rocks is prohibited from all beaches at all times.
- 9) No boats, airplanes or any kind shall land on or be launched from a beach except in an emergency.
- 10) No water skiing, spear fishing or boating shall be allowed within 150 feet of shore at low tide in beach areas.
- 11) No sea planning, surf-scooting, pizza boarding, skim boarding or similar activities are permitted. The use of any inflatable devices is prohibited on all beaches.
- 12) The use of Boogie Boards is allowed on all beaches with Lifeguard authorization.
- 13) No commercial activity shall be permitted on any beach or park without the express written permission of the Board of Selectmen. Commercial activity shall include, but not be limited to, bending of foods or goods of any kind where a fee is charged; for class or instruction, except for classes or instruction offered by the town or it's agents.

No organizational groups or large assemblies will be permitted, other than family members, to use any beach or park except with the permission of the Board of

Selectmen. No caterers or persons furnishing food shall accompany any group using these areas without permission of the Board of Selectmen.

- 14) Dressing or undressing in public view within these areas is prohibited.
- 15) Alcoholic beverages are prohibited on all beaches and parks.
- 16) Town beaches may be closed to public use by the Board of selectmen, Director of Public Works, the Fire Chief or Police Department when any conditions exist that could endanger public safety or public health
- 17) No person shall have in their possession, a spear and/or spear gun on any public beach between the hours of 8:00 am and 5:00 pm from June 15 to September 15.
- 18) Wind surfing and surfboarding is prohibited at front beach. Wind surfing and surfboarding is permitted at other beaches except between the hours of 8:00 am and 5:00 pm from June 15 to September 15.

Long Beach

All regulations applicable to public parks and beaches in the town apply to Long beach as well as the following Long Beach boating regulations:

- 19) No boats, except boats 12 feet or less with oars and hobby catamarans, shall be kept on the beach. Hobby catamarans will follow surfing hours and must be kept safely against the seawall when not being used. Use of anchors and/or lines on the beach is prohibited
- 20) Mooring for boats shall be located on the seaward side of the 150 foot markers, which will be set in an area designated by the harbor master.
- 21) No motor boats shall be operated under any circumstances within the 150 foot area. Water skiing is also prohibited within the 150 foot area.
- 22) Surfing and Wind surfing is confined to the posted area at Long Beach only. These activities are not allowed between the hours of 8:00 am and 5:00 pm and cease at sunset.