

# NBIA 2021 Beach Rules & Activities

## GENERAL

The Beach Areas within Normandy Beach are private beaches operated by the Normandy Beach Improvement Association for the benefit of its membership. However, public access to the beaches is permitted in accordance with New Jersey State Laws and Regulations.

## KEEP OFF THE DUNES.

**IT IS A VIOLATION OF LAW TO CROSS OR ENTER THE DUNES AND TO DIG UP, PULL, OR OTHERWISE DAMAGE OR DESTROY DUNE VEGETATION AT ANY TIME.**

## BATHING BEACHES

All bathing beaches will open Saturday, June 26, 2021 and close Monday, Labor Day, September 6, 2021. Lifeguards are on duty seven days a week during bathing hours, weather and sea conditions permitting.

## OCEAN BEACHES

Bathing hours are 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Bathing beaches are located near street ends, and are designated by FLAGS positioned on each side of the lifeguard stand. Bathing is permitted between these flags ONLY. Depending on daily weather and sea conditions, the flags will be positioned to allow the maximum safe swimming area. Surf mats, tubes, rubber boats, and boogie boards are allowed but only at lifeguard discretion.

## BAY BEACH

Bathing hours are 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon and 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. The bathing beach is located between the street ends of 6th and 7th Avenues on Barnegat Bay. The bathing area is roped off, and bathing is permitted inside this area only. **Diving is permitted only from the float and the front of the dock facing the float. Launching of boats or other motorized craft from the Bay Beach is strictly prohibited.**

## ACCESS DURING BATHING HOURS : BADGES REQUIRED

For all persons 12 years of age or older, access is limited to those persons who have received badges through NBIA membership or purchased badges for public access. Such badges

must be prominently displayed. Badges can be purchased at the Bay Beach House (Broad and Seventh Ave.) (Telephone: [732-375-6240](tel:732-375-6240)).

### **BEACH ACCESS AFTER HOURS**

In general, Beach Access outside bathing hours is limited to the Membership of the NBIA and those who purchase beach badges in accordance with NBIA rules except that the public has a limited right to access the tidal areas of the beach to walk, fish, surf, and engage in similar recreational activities, and the right to reasonable, short rest periods in the foreshore.

### **BEACH EATING & DRINKING**

**NO COMMERCIAL food deliveries to the beach are allowed and drinking of ALCOHOLIC Beverages is STRICTLY PROHIBITED. SMALL Personal coolers** and plastic water bottles are permitted for snacking on the beach. As a condition for accessing the beach during bathing hours, patrons agree to permit Lifeguards and Badge Checkers to check the contents of all coolers. If garbage is not disposed of properly and rules are not followed, this privilege will be discontinued. **GLASS is NOT ALLOWED** on the beaches at any time.

### **BEACH CLOSINGS**

When there are unsafe sea conditions or inclement weather, the Ocean and Bay beaches will be designated "CLOSED" by RED flags at all of the bathing beaches. When swimming is "SAFE" it will be designated by GREEN flags. When YELLOW flags are displayed, it designates "CAUTION," see the lifeguards.

### **DIGGING ON THE BEACH**

Digging of large sand holes on the beach is not allowed. There is a danger of collapse and people have fallen in them at night.

### **SMALL CHILDREN**

Children less than 10 years of age are not allowed in the water at any bathing beach unless accompanied by an adult.

## **SURFBOARDS**

Surfboards are allowed only at the Ocean beaches and in the areas permitted by lifeguards and only when sea conditions permit. **SHOCKCORDS** are required to be used on all surfboards. If you have any questions, speak to a lifeguard.

## **SMALL BOATS AND JET SKIS**

The launching of sailboats, jet skis and small motorized boats from the Ocean beach is only permitted under safe sea conditions and at the discretion of the lifeguards and in specified areas designated by them. No motorized boat is to operate within 50 feet of any swimmer, nor more than 5 M.P.H. in the surf zone. No launching of boats or other motorized craft from the Bay beach.

## **FISHING**

Surf fishing from the Ocean beach is allowed during bathing hours only in areas designated by the lifeguards. Crabbing and fishing from the Bay beach are allowed at the discretion of the lifeguards.

## **SPORTS AND OTHER ACTIVE RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES ON THE BEACH**

Playing any sports and games on the beach is only permitted in open areas of the beach where it will not disturb others and solely at the discretion of the Life Guards.

## **SIGNAGE**

The posting of signs at the entrances to the beaches is not allowed unless prior approval has been given by the NBIA Board of Directors.

## **BIKES**

Bike riding is not allowed on any of the beach entrance walkways or mats.

## **VEHICLES**

No motorized vehicles are allowed on any beach between June and September.

## **FIRES**

No fires are allowed on any beach at any time.

## **SMOKING**

Smoking on the Beach is prohibited.

## **PETS**

**No dogs, cats or other pets are allowed on any beach at any time between June and September.** All dogs must be on a leash when on the beach off-season. Township ordinances require that you pick up after your pet and failure to do so can result in fines being assessed.

## **CAFRA**

The Coastal Area Facility Review Act is designed to protect our vital shore areas. Removal of sand from the beaches for personal use is prohibited under the Act and subject to a civil administrative penalty.

## **GENERAL PROHIBITIONS**

No overnight sleeping on beaches or in cars. No disrobing on beaches or in vehicles. No parking on Ocean Terrace at any time. No household garbage in any NBIA trash cans. Do not leave household garbage or trash at the Ocean or Bay beaches before Memorial Day or after Labor Day. There is no pick-up. The garbage is unsightly and blows around and the neighbors have to clean it up.

## **TENTS / CANOPIES**

No Tents, Tarps or Canopies are allowed on the beach at any time between June and September. **The only exception would be Baby Tents** no larger than 36" wide and 36" deep.

## **DRONES**

No drones are allowed on the beach during bathing hours.