

## RECOMMENDATIONS FOR BEACH DRIVING

- Check local tidal charts prior to arriving, low tide is ideal for driving.
- Friction may cause pressure to increase while you drive, making it necessary to stop and reduce pressure again. Your beginning tire pressure should not exceed 15 p.s.i.
- Avoid driving through the surf. Salt water is extremely corrosive.
- Most All Wheel Drive vehicles are not recommended due to low clearance.
- Right of Way & Safety: When two vehicles meet on the beach, the operator of the vehicle with the water on the right has the right of way. Riding on fenders, tailgate, roof, or any exterior portion of a vehicle is prohibited.

## SALT WATER FISHING

### Who needs the MA Recreational Saltwater Fishing Permit?

In order to fish recreationally for finfish in Massachusetts marine waters, including up to the first upstream bridge in rivers and streams that flow to the ocean saltwater fishermen must have: a MA Recreational Saltwater Fishing permit, or a recreational saltwater fishing permit from a state that has a reciprocity agreement with Massachusetts. As of February 17, 2011, Massachusetts has reciprocity agreements with: New Hampshire, Rhode Island, and Connecticut.

**What is the cost of the MA Permit?** The annual cost for both residents and non-residents is \$10 for ages 16 - 59, 60 & older - no fee

**Who does not need a permit?** No permit is required for: fishermen who are under 16 years of age; fishermen fishing on permitted for-hire vessels; fishermen who regardless of their age, otherwise meet the definition of a disabled person in M.G.L. c. 19C

**What about people 60 and older?** People 60 and older must obtain a permit but the permit is free for these individuals (although a small fee will be charged by the vendor to process the permit through the internet).

## DANGEROUS MARINE LIFE

Please remember that the ocean waters are home to a variety of potentially hazardous marine life to include seals, jellyfish, sharks, etc. In the past decade the Cape Cod region, especially Truro, has observed an increased population of grey and harbor seals. The region has become home to many of the seals for several months every year. The increased seal population has attracted great white sharks, which depend on seals as the staple of their diet. Please remember to use caution when swimming and follow some basic guidelines.

If you believe you view a shark and you're at a beach with a lifeguard, report the sighting to the lifeguard. If there isn't a lifeguard on duty, report the sighting to the local law en-

- Do Not Swim Near Seals
- Do Not Swim Alone
- Swim Close To Shore
- Avoid Swimming At Dusk/Dawn

forcement as soon as practical - Truro Police Department (508)487-8730. If someone is in the water, get their attention and call them out of the water.

## PROTECTING THE DUNES

Despite their hearty appearance, the dunes are remarkably fragile. Beach grass anchors the shifting sands of the dunes, protecting the beaches from erosion. Please keep to the established paths and observe the rights of private property owners. Climbing or biking on the dunes is dangerous and is prohibited on all of the Truro Town Beaches.

## WILDLIFE PROTECTION

Piping Plovers, Terns and other endangered birds nest along the beaches in Truro. Periodically, areas of beach and the O.R.V. corridor may be restricted to the public. All drivers in the O.R.V. corridor must obey posted signs. ABSOLUTELY NO DOGS OR OTHER ANIMALS ALLOWED IN PROTECTED AREAS. Piping plovers are protected by State and Federal Law. It is the intention of our town to provide a safe environment to help these endangered species. Your cooperation and respect is greatly appreciated. Refunds will not be granted due to limited driving corridor created by protected wildlife.

# TRURO O.R.V.



RECREATION & BEACH DEPARTMENT

### BEACH OFFICE

36 Shore Rd, Route 6A  
North Truro, MA 02652  
(508)487-6983

### OFFICE HOURS

8:00 AM - 4:00 PM  
Everyday  
2nd Sat. in June - Labor Day

Visit Town Hall (24 Town Hall Rd) to purchase the day after Labor Day - the 2nd Friday in June.

### Visit Us Online

[www.truro-ma.gov/recreation-beach-department](http://www.truro-ma.gov/recreation-beach-department)

### O.R.V. STICKER FEES

	Truro Residents	Non-Residents
Season	\$10.00	\$30.00

# Welcome to Truro...

The Town of Truro boasts eleven beautiful town beaches. Parking spaces at all town beaches are limited and is restricted to those vehicles bearing a valid Beach parking sticker. The Off Road Vehicle Corridor is located on the Bay side with access points at **Fisher Beach**, **Corn Hill Beach** and **Beach Point Landing** (seasonally). Properly affixed O.R.V. Stickers are required year round for all vehicles on the O.R.V. Corridor. From the third Saturday in June to Labor Day, access to the O.R.V. Corridor is permitted between the hours of 6:00pm - 9:00am. The day after Labor Day to the third Friday in June, access to the O.R.V. corridor is permitted 24 hours daily.

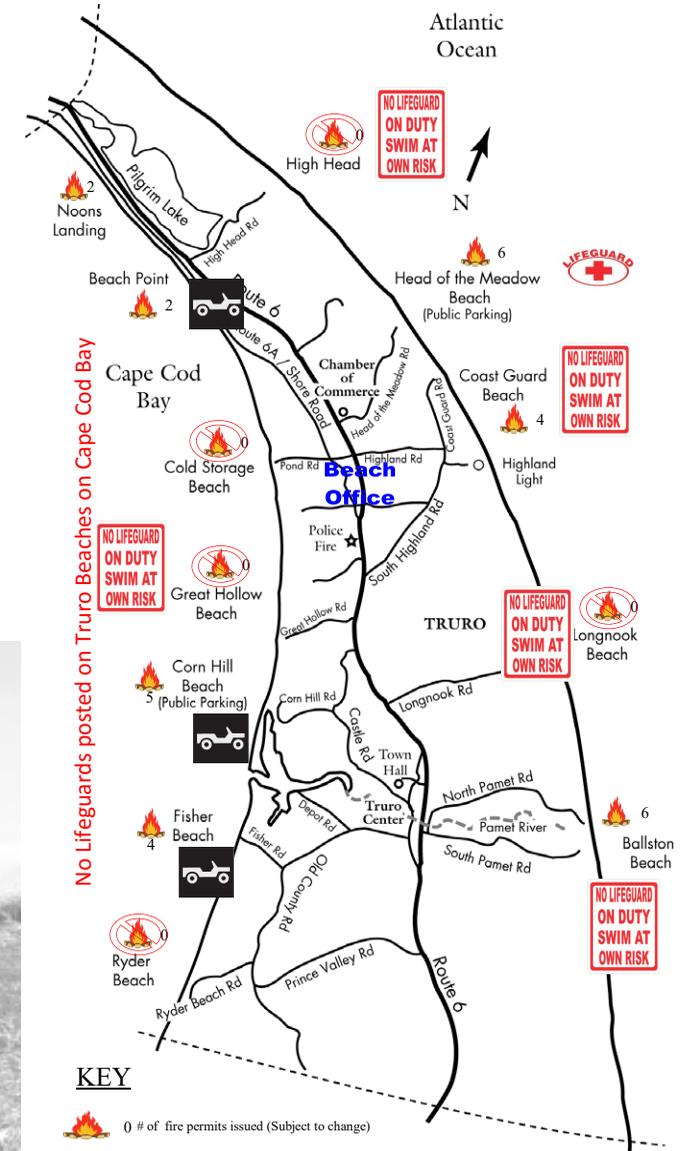
## O.R.V. RULES & REGULATIONS

- Drop tire pressure to 11 p.s.i prior to entering O.R.V. corridor.
- O.R.V. stickers required year round. Stickers must be permanently affixed to the driver's side, front bumper of the vehicle to which it is registered (stickers are non-transferable).
- Stickers which are altered, defaced, copied or made unreadable are not valid.
- If your vehicle becomes stuck in the sand, you are responsible for filling in all ruts or holes and removing debris used to extricate the vehicle.
- Dumping trash and other debris is prohibited. Please leave no trace by packing out what you pack in.
- The driving corridor is below the high tide water marks. At no time will a vehicle drive or park on beach grass, coastal dunes, coastal embankment, marsh or shorebird nesting area.
- Pedestrians and those who are sitting on the beach always have the right of way.
- Use caution at all times.
- Observe the speed limit - 15 MPH.
- **NO ATVS.**
- Pets are prohibited on the beach during the hours of 9:00am - 6:00pm.
- All pet waste must be disposed of. Pet waste dispensers are provided at the main entrances of most bayside beaches.
- Leaving pets in a hot vehicle may constitute criminal animal cruelty pursuant to Mass. General Laws Chapter 272 Section 77.
- No Camping or Sleeping on beaches or in parking areas.
- **NO FIRES** without a valid beach fire permit.

## PERMIT REQUIREMENTS

- **Tire Gauge with a minimum reading of 5lbs.**
- **Tow device 14 feet or greater in length. Minimum materials are as follows:**
  - \* Chain 5/16"
  - \* Cable 1/4"
  - \* Hemp 1"
  - \* Nylon 3/4"
  - \* Tow Strap 1 1/2" wide
- **Chain and cable must be equipped with suitable attaching devices on both ends.**
- **Jack support must be a minimum of 10" wide by 12" long. Thickness - Plywood: 5/8" or greater. Solid wood 1 1/2" or greater. Other materials must be at least as strong and durable as the standard wood support.**
- **Heavy Duty Shovel**
- **Standard Jack- Vehicle Manufacture's Jack**
  - 13" Rim = 185
  - 14" Rim = 195
  - 15" Rims or larger = 225
- **Minimum tire standards (spare tire must also meet these standards):**
  - All tires must have a minimum profile series of 70

**VIOLATION OF ANY OF THE ABOVE RULES AND REGULATIONS WILL RESULT IN THE LOSS OF STICKER(S), A FINE, OR BOTH.**



## FIRE PERMITS

In order to have a beach fire you must obtain a beach fire permit. Permits can be obtained online at [www.activityreg.com](http://www.activityreg.com) or at the Truro Beach Office at 36 Shore Rd, North Truro. See Fire Permit Rules & Regulations

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