



The Town of Barnstable

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Town of Barnstable Summer 2022 Beach Operations Update

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE (June 14, 2022) - Beginning Saturday, June 25th, Town of Barnstable beaches and ponds will be open seven days a week through Labor Day. All beaches will be open daily from 9AM through 9PM, excluding Hathaway's Pond (9AM- 4:30PM). Similar to many communities throughout the nation and on Cape Cod, the Town is experiencing significant lifeguard shortages this summer, which may impact our ability to provide lifeguard coverage at all 13 locations.

Ensuring public safety is our top priority. The Recreation Division is working to provide lifeguard staff at as many sites as possible. However, we advise the public that due to limited staffing, some sites may not have lifeguard coverage and swimmers will do so at their own risk.

At this time we anticipate having full staffing, including lifeguards, at the following beaches: Craigville Beach, Dowses Beach, Covell's Beach, Kalmus Beach, and Veteran's Beach. We are hopeful to potentially provide lifeguard staffing at additional locations. To assist the public with their summer plans, we will continue to communicate our staffing operations as we approach June 25th so the public is aware which sites have lifeguard coverage.

All beaches will have gate staff on site to ensure users have their annual parking permit to control equitable access.

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