

Off Road Vehicle (ORV) Campers: Frequently asked questions

I just bought a new camper. How do I get a permit?

In addition to the seven (8) items of required equipment, self-contained vehicles must carry the following:

1. 30' measuring device. Examples are: piece of rope 30' long, measuring tape 30' long.
2. Your vehicle must have **permanently fixed** separate gray and black tanks.
3. An operational carbon monoxide detector.
4. Permanent toilet. No compost or chemical toilets allowed.
5. No tow-behind campers or fifth wheel campers allowed.
6. Any 2-wheel drive camper that is **new to you** is required to have a 2-wheel drive test, even if it has been previously been on the beach. 2-wheel drive tests can be scheduled by calling the Gatehouse for an appointment. Tests are given Monday through Thursday, excluding holidays. **Two-wheel drive tests are \$25 (A onetime fee for as long as you own the camper).**

Note: The 30' measuring device can be a piece of rope or string or a measuring tape or anything measuring 30'. This measuring device is used to make sure campers leave a 30' right of way for entering and exiting the beach.

How long can I stay on the beach?

All self-contained vehicles, with appropriate permits, are allowed to stay on the beach for up to 96 hours. In season, there will be a charge per night for this opportunity: Barnstable Residents, slide-on camper \$12 per night. Non-Residents, slide-on camper \$24 per night. Resident motorhome camper, \$16 per night. Non-Resident motorhome camper, \$32 per night. Campers must come off the beach for **24 hours** before coming back to stay overnight on the beach. Reservations are made for the **current week** on Mondays, starting at 4pm. Reservations are made online through our website: <https://townofbarnstable.us/sandyneckpark/>

I have friends staying with me at my Camper; can they sleep on the beach in a tent?

Everyone who spends the night on the front beach must sleep in the camper, no exceptions. Only camper and chase vehicles are allowed on the beach after curfew.

What is a chase vehicle and how much does the permit cost?

All chase vehicles are required to purchase an ORV permit at the regular price. In addition, chase vehicles must have their own six items of required equipment. Once permitted, the chase vehicle may be assigned to a camper. The chase vehicle will receive a circle permit at no extra charge that shows that the chase belongs with that camper. **Only one chase vehicle is allowed per camper** and that vehicle is allowed to stay overnight on the beach with the camper. A separate charge of \$7 per night fee is required in order for the chase vehicle to stay out on the beach overnight. In addition, no one is allowed to sleep in the chase vehicle.