

LAKE MARANACOOK BEACH AREA RULES AND REGULATIONS

Adopted by Winthrop Recreation Committee

On June 12, 1989

(Amended in February 2005)

1. Winthrop beach is restricted to Winthrop residents and their guests. Guests must be accompanied by a resident. Guest may bring a written permission from a resident to use the beach. Exceptions in extenuating circumstances may be granted by staff person in charge.
2. The beach is closed daily from 10:00pm to 6:00am
3. Any lifeguard employed by the Town and any police officer has the authority to ask individuals to confirm their residence or their right to use the beach as a guest of a resident. Any lifeguard or police officer has the right to enforce the duly adopted regulations regarding the use of the public beach including the right to require individuals to leave the premises for the remainder of the day for any violation of the beach regulations.
4. **When the lifeguards are on duty, floatation objects are not allowed in the swim area. This includes life preservers, bubbles, balls, noodles etc.**
5. Lifeguards are not responsible for those swimming outside of the roped area. Swimmers from inside the roped area are not to swim over the ropes.
6. Glass containers of any kind are not allowed on the beach at anytime. Absolutely no alcohol or drugs are allowed on the beach at any time.
7. Pets are not allowed on the beach at anytime.
8. Bicycles are not allowed on the beach, and should be parked near the rocks, or behind the benches.
9. Persons under eight (8) years of age are not allowed to the beach unless accompanied by a parent, guardian, or babysitter.
10. Running, pushing, flips, diving off the front, playing, jumping, or diving off the ladders, climbing on the platform or touching the life guarding equipment is prohibited on the dock. The lifeguard on the dock has the authority to enforce any rule he or she believes necessary for the safety of the patrons using the dock at that time.
11. Lifeguards have the authority to ask that loud music be turned down.
12. Lifeguards have the authority to ask that foul or offensive language be stopped.
13. Use of soap, shampoo, or other cleaning agents in the water is prohibited.
14. Babies dressed in disposable diapers are not allowed to swim in the roped area.
15. Lifeguards must clear the water at the first detection of thunder or lightening. The water and dock area must be closed and remain closed for at least twenty (20) minutes following the last occurrence of thunder or lightening. Lifeguards may also clear the water if rain inhibits the visibility enough to endanger those swimming at the beach.
16. During the summer program lifeguards will be on duty:
 - a. Monday to Friday 9:00am to 5:00pm
 - b. Saturday & Sunday 12:00noon to 5:00pm
17. **Winthrop Beach is a Tobacco Free Zone, smoking is prohibited on the Beach area**