



## 2020 CITY BEACH RULES & REGULATIONS

The 2020 Beach Season will look very different from past years.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts has issued COVID – 19 Safety Standards and Guidelines for Beaches. We ask for your patience while we abide by the new COVID – 19 Safety guidelines in addition to the standard beach rules for the summer.

All Framingham beaches are open and free to Framingham Residents from dawn to dusk, but not constantly guarded. Adjustments may be made depending on available resources, funding, and staff.

- **HOURS OF OPERATION:** Lifeguards will be on duty daily from 7/1/20 – 8/9/20, 10:00am – 5:00pm. Please remove your vehicle from the parking lot at 5:00pm.
- **WATER QUALITY:** Water quality tests are performed weekly from 7/1/20 – 8/9/20. Swimming may be prohibited for poor water quality as defined by the State Minimum Standards for Bathing Beaches: [https://www.mass.gov/files/documents/2016/07/th/105cmr445\\_0.pdf](https://www.mass.gov/files/documents/2016/07/th/105cmr445_0.pdf).
- **RESIDENTS ONLY:** Free Family Beach Pass and access for **FRAMINGHAM RESIDENTS ONLY**. Beach Tag & Resident ID required for registration and admittance. Please secure your free Family Beach Tag at [www.FraminghamRec.com](http://www.FraminghamRec.com). One Beach Tag required per family unit (maximum 10 people from same family unit) and must be presented upon arrival at the beach.
- **YOUTH: ALL YOUTH under 15 years must be accompanied by an adult over 21 years. All children who are not toilet trained MUST wear SWIM DIAPERS.**
- **MASKS / FACE COVERINGS:** Masks are required in common areas like parking lots, bathrooms, and walkways. You may remove masks in the designated visiting area and **must** remove when swimming.
- **SOCIAL DISTANCING:** Please keep 6' between you and another person – on land **AND** in the water. When in your designated area, please keep 12' from the next party.
- **VISITING AREAS:** There are 30 designated visiting areas available at each beach on a first-come-first served basis. Areas are located on the sand AND on the grass. Areas can accommodate up to 10 people from the same family unit. Areas may NOT be combined to form larger groups. Please stay in your designated visiting area when not enjoying the water.
- **GROUPS:** No groups larger than 10 people.
- **RESTROOMS:** Restrooms are only open during staffed hours. Restrooms are designated for 1 user at a time. Please maintain 6' between you and another person when in cue. **Please help keep our water clean and use the facilities when needed.**
- **SHOWERS & LOCKER ROOMS:** Showers/Locker Rooms are not available so please plan accordingly.
- **SWIM AREA:** Swim in designated area only. No diving or head entry into the water. No swimming in areas designated as non-swimming.
- **NON-SWIMMERS: Non-swimmers of all ages must remain in areas where they can stand and may be asked to perform, and pass, a swim test prior to being allowed in the deep end.**

- **DOCKS:** Docks are for Lifeguard Use Only. Please do not swim under, or hang off of the docks.
- **BATHING ATTIRE:** Bathing attire must be worn and is subject to the discretion of the lifeguard. No nudity allowed.
- **TRASH:** Please follow our **Carry-in/Carry-Out Policy** at all times. Barrels fill up quickly and are intended for small items only, not for picnic trash.
- **FLOTATION DEVICES:** Use of any flotation aides or swimming devices (including, but not limited to, PFD's, masks, fins, snorkels, floats, water wings, etc.) is **strictly forbidden**.
- **ALCOHOL:** **No alcoholic beverages allowed on City Property including the beaches.**
- **MUSIC:** **The use of car stereos is not allowed. Please use personal listening devices.**
- **PETS:** No dogs / pets allowed on beach or in bathhouse.
- **BICYCLES:** Bicycles must be left at the bicycle stands.
- **BALLPLAYING:** No ball playing of any kind allowed (including but not limited to; Frisbee, KanJam, catch, soccer, etc.)
- **PARKING / BEACH AREA:** No grilling / cookouts, loitering, or tailgating allowed.
- **SMOKING:** Smoking or vaping is not allowed on beach or in bathhouse.
- **FISHING:** Fishing (nets included) is not permitted.
- **BOATING:** Beach area and docks may not be used as a launching / unloading area for any boat or vessel.
- **Please BE KIND to staff at the beach. They do not set the policies and are here for your safety.**
- **Any abuse by an individual, or group, will result in loss of beach privileges.**
- The City of Framingham will not be responsible for any articles lost, damaged, or stolen during your visit.
- For more information and a full list of programs, rules and policies for summer, please visit [www.framinghamrec.com](http://www.framinghamrec.com)

***Have a safe summer and thank you for your cooperation!***