

Barrier Beach ORV Vehicle Management Policies

ORV Vehicle Management Policies provide guidance related to the vehicle carrying capacity, parking and access limitations on Chapin Beach and Crowes Pasture beach. These policies are in addition to the Town of Dennis Rules & Regulations for Beach Vehicles adopted in 2020 by the Dennis Conservation Commission. Policies may be amended by the Conservation Commission as a result of changing beach conditions.

General Policies

1. **No Refund Policy:** No refunds will be granted for any circumstances which result in beach closures including, but not limited to, personal emergencies, foul weather, evacuations, limitations on access, beach conditions, insects (greenhead flies, etc.) and water temperature.
2. Pedestrian access is allowed landward of the posted travel corridor only in non-restricted areas. Sensitive resource areas are designated by symbolic fencing and signage. No pedestrian access is allowed in these fenced areas or in the dunes.
3. Periodic beach closures will occur during times of high tides, plover nesting and ramp repairs. Closure dates and times will be posted on the Town of Dennis Natural Resources Department web page; www.town.dennis.ma.us/dept/naturalres/natresources.htm
5. The Natural Resource Officers shall enforce the provisions of the Town of Dennis Regulations for Beach Vehicles. ORV permits will be revoked if the vehicle is being operated in a reckless, unsafe manner and posing safety issues to other beach users.

Crowe's Pasture Additional Policies:

1. The number of vehicles allowed on the beach at one time is dependent on weather, tides and beach conditions. The beach may be subject to complete closure to vehicle traffic when any portion of the vehicle corridor is flooded. The Natural Resource Officer will make a determination as to how many vehicles may access the beach on a daily basis.
2. At times of high tides, the east dune road may be subject to flooding. At that time, vehicle traffic will be required to enter and exit the beach from the west access point only. A Natural Resource Officer will make the decision based on weather, tides, and beach conditions.
4. Parking along the frontal beach may be restricted and vehicles required to relocate depending upon plover nesting, tide elevations, weather and beach conditions. Parking may be prohibited in specific locations. Driving and Parking in intertidal areas at the east end near Quivet Creek is prohibited (including the tidal flats) and may result in sticker revocation.
5. Portions of the eastern "point" may be closed to vehicle travel and parking depending on the beach profile. Little Beach is closed to vehicle parking per the Order of Conditions. Vehicles found parked and/or travelling in these unpermitted areas will have their stickers revoked for the remainder of the year and will be required to exit the beach immediately.
6. When the vehicle numbers reach capacity, waiting lines will be limited to no more than 10 vehicles. No parking, standing or waiting is allowed along South Street outside the limits of the waiting line.
7. **NO PARKING, STANDING, OR WAITING** is allowed along both sides of South Street and within the Quivett Cemetery property unless the vehicle is part of the designated waiting line of 10 vehicles.

8. All ORVs are required to enter the Vehicle Staging Area designated along South Street to allow for equipment inspection by the Natural Resource Officers.
9. The Speed Limit on South Street Extension is 10 MPH. Vehicles are required to stay on the road surface and use pulloff areas to allow for two-way traffic when necessary. Driving off the road surface into adjacent vegetated areas is not permitted.
10. Upland Parking is allowed in designated parking areas only (see map). Vehicles parked in undesignated areas, on upland vegetation or along the roadway will be ticketed.

CROWES PASTURE PARKING AREAS

MAIN PARKING AREAS ARE DESIGNATED WITH A 'P' SIGN.
 THE NUMBER OF AVAILABLE SPACES IS LISTED ON THE SIGN POST.
 DO NOT ATTEMPT TO PARK ADDITIONAL CARS WITHIN THE PARKING LOTS.

DO NOT CREATE ADDITIONAL SPACES.

NO PARKING IS ALLOWED IN VEGETATED AREAS. DO NOT BLOCK PEOPLE IN.

PARKING TICKETS WILL BE ISSUED FOR PARKING IN UNAUTHORIZED AREAS.

WHEN IN DOUBT, ASK A NATURAL RESOURCE OFFICER.

