

OCEAN GROVE BEACH 2012 SEASON BADGE ORDER FORM

_____ Early Bird Season @ 65.00_____ (available through May 19)
_____ Regular Season @ 70.00_____
_____ Youth Season @ 35.00_____ (for use by 12-17 year olds)
_____ Senior Citizen @ 40.00_____ (for use by 65+ year olds)
 Shipping @ 7.00_____ (if badges are to be mailed)

TOTAL _____

I am not ordering beach badges at this time but please keep my name on the mailing list.

NOTE: If no badges are purchased for the 2012 season, names will be removed from the beach mailing list unless this option is checked.

Return with check payable to **OGCMA** at Ocean Grove Camp Meeting Assoc., P.O. Box 248, Ocean Grove, NJ 07756

Badges will be available at the beach office on or after May 26th. Prior to May 25th badges will be available at 54 Pitman Avenue.

Badges may be mailed to your address below if you enclose the shipping fee. Canceled check will serve as receipt until badges are picked up.

NAME _____

I HAVE READ THE BACK OF THIS CARD AND AGREE TO FOLLOW ALL OF THE OCEAN GROVE BEACH RULES AND REGULATIONS.

MAILING ADDRESS _____

SIGNATURE _____

DATE _____

PHONE _____

PLEASE INDICATE SUMMER CONTACT INFORMATION ON THE REVERSE SIDE OF THIS CARD.

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I herewith make application for season beach bathing privileges for the 2012 season and in consideration of the granting of such privileges agree to comply with all rules and regulations of the Ocean Grove Camp Meeting Association (OGCMA) relating to the use of the beach and to assume all risks by reason of the granting of bathing privileges. I understand that season badges must be displayed at all times and be shown to any officer, life guard or other representative of the OGCMA when such request is made. The privilege to use the bathing beach is granted, only provided lifeguards are on duty at the designated bathing beaches, and may be suspended at any time when it is considered unsafe to bathe, or the bathing beaches are closed due to weather conditions or emergencies. I understand that season badges are not transferable outside my immediate family. I have received and agree to follow all of the Ocean Grove Beach rules and regulations. The OGCMA reserves the right to revoke beach privileges without refund for cause.

I UNDERSTAND THAT THERE WILL BE NO REFUND FOR LOST OR STOLEN BEACH BADGES.

SUMMER ADDRESS _____

SUMMER PHONE _____



BEACH REGULATIONS

A. GENERAL BEACH AND BATHING REGULATIONS

1. Entrance to the beach shall be gained through entrances provided in the boardwalk railing.
2. Bathing at guarded beaches only.
3. All persons on beach over age 11 must display valid Ocean Grove beach tag. Children under age 12 must be accompanied by a responsible adult.
4. Beach hours: 9 AM - 5:30 PM daily except Sunday from 12:30 PM - 5:30 PM. No one shall be permitted on the beaches from 9:00 AM to 12:30 PM on Sundays commencing with the Sunday after Memorial Day until the Sunday after Labor Day.
5. No refunds in the event of inclement weather or rough surf; no refunds for lost or stolen beach tags.
6. Place all litter in receptacles in accordance with recycling directions.
7. Obey lifeguards.
8. Ball playing, frisbees, sports activities permitted as conditions allow.
9. Use of SCUBA equipment and spear guns prohibited.
10. No person shall offer for sale, or sell any article, commodity, beverage, food or perform any service for which such person anticipates payment either on boardwalk, sidewalk or ocean front park area except with the written permission of the OGCMA. All such activity is also under and subject to zoning and mercantile license regulations of the Township of Neptune.
11. The Ocean Grove Beach is a totally smoke-free zone.

NOTE 1: United States Coast Guard regulations define all waters inshore of the outer limits of seaward extending rock groins as bathing areas in which the operation of any motorized vessel is prohibited.

NOTE 2: Nothing in these regulations shall be construed as to restrict or impede access to the ocean to persons engaged in sport fishing at locations not being used for recreational bathing and surfing. Bathing tags are not required of persons engaged in sport fishing.

B. PROHIBITED ACTIVITIES

1. Alcoholic beverages (also prohibited by Neptune Township Ordinance).
2. Use of electronic devices (radios, tape/cd players, amplifiers, etc.) unless played through headsets.
3. Flying kites over beach or boardwalk.
4. Fishing in bathing areas; use or presence of spear guns.
5. Surfing at other than designated surfing area.
6. Motor vehicle on boardwalk or beach. (exception: emergency and beach support vehicles.)
7. Throwing of sand.
8. Open fires (NJ State Regulation). Charcoal/Propane cookers.
9. Bicycles, skateboards and skates except between 3 am and 10 am (Neptune Township Ordinance).
10. Digging holes in sand deeper than waist of smallest participant, not to exceed 18" deep. Holes must be filled when activity is complete.
11. "Burying" persons below grade or in standing position.
12. Disrobing or changing clothes.
13. Dogs on beach or boardwalk except service dogs. Water and shelter from sun must be provided for such dogs.
14. Launching of any vessel not specifically permitted by these regulations. Lifeguard, Police and Emergency Management vessels are permitted at times.
15. Camping, sleeping overnight.
16. Activity which directly or indirectly endangers the safety of others.

C. SURFING/KAYAK REGULATIONS

1. Surfing only at designated surfing beach. Location of designated area subject to change dependent upon surf and beach use conditions.
2. Surfers must have valid Ocean Grove Beach tag during bathing hours.
3. Surfers are subject to requirement of demonstrating swimming skills to supervising lifeguard or other OGCMA personnel prior to entering waters.
4. Tether required.
5. Lifeguards have final authority on use of any equipment and swimmer/surfer in surfing waters.
6. Personal kayaks permitted in surfing waters. Kayak use must conform to pattern established by surfers.
7. Kayak operators must wear Coast Guard approved personal flotation device (PFDs or life jackets).
8. OGCMA is not responsible for surfer/kayak/windsurfer users who enter water via Ocean Grove Beach and subsequently surf/wind surf or paddle into neighboring jurisdictions or eastward beyond supervision of lifeguards.
9. No aquatic activity is permitted within 150 feet of the fishing pier. Includes: swimming, surfing, kayaking.

D. FLOTATION DEVICES

1. Aquatic recreational devices other than personal flotation devices (PFDs) or closely fitting body tubes used must have some device that prevents separation from the user (a tether or surf leash). The use of a tether is required on all surfboards, boogie boards, belly boards, and similar devices that are in use in water of any significant depth. Significant depth means other than at the water's edge. Users of these implements must be kept segregated from casual bathers and are therefore not permitted within the central area on the bathing beaches that are delineated by parallel bathing ropes extending seaward. Lifeguards have the authority to forbid the use of any and all such implements when surf or wind conditions warrant.
2. Surf rafts used must have safety ropes on all four sides installed using securely mounted grommets or similar fastener so that the user will have access to a safety rope no matter what side of the implement is presented in an emergency. Air mattresses are not permitted in water.
3. Surfboards (rigid, fiberglass covered, with tether), kayaks, and wind surfers are permitted only on the designated surfing beach. Such users must adhere to the tether and personal flotation device requirements as outlined above, have valid Ocean Grove beach badge and demonstrate adequate swimming ability. Beach management reserves the right to ban surfboard use on a beach normally designated for surfing and to open any area for general bathing to alleviate overcrowding on the regular bathing beaches. Fiberglass surfaced or similar rigid devices are not permitted elsewhere on the beachfront.
4. Use of a recreational flotation device wider than 28 inches is not permitted. The use of multi-passenger craft, life rafts, large inner tubes or similar multi-user inflatable is not permitted.
5. Personal flotation devices, tubes, bubbles, "swimmies", etc. may only be used in water depth no greater than the user's waist. The presence of an accompanying adult does not eliminate this depth requirement.
6. The launching of any catamaran, outboard, personal water craft, sail boat or other water craft other than emergency rescue or lifeguard equipment from the Ocean Grove beachfront is not permitted.

NOTE: Many bathers, most of them children, have had to be rescued by lifeguards because they have been carried into deep water by ocean currents or off shore breezes while depending upon inadequately designed inflatables or flotation devices - or when aboard larger devices capable of carrying several people. At other times, bathers have been injured by recreational implements that have become self-propelled missiles when separated from their users by some aquatic mishap. Current aquatic management principles - and our insurance carriers - are not as forgiving of these incidents as they were in the past. In the interests of a high standard of safety for all our bathing patrons, the preceding regulations regarding flotation devices are in effect on the Ocean Grove Beaches. The intent of these regulations is not to restrict causal play at the water's edge by very small children; only to invoke the requirements when the device is used in any manner that includes the possibility it might be swept away from the user, strike another bather, or leave the user stranded in water of significant depth.

E. POTENTIAL RESTRICTIONS

1. Rough surf conditions may cause restricted bathing or a ban on all bathing.
2. High and/or gusty wind conditions may cause a ban on the use of beach umbrellas.
3. Rough surf conditions may cause a restriction or ban on the use of flotation devices, rafts and other aquatic recreational devices.

F. SUMMARY

The use of the beach, boardwalk and general beachfront park area by the public is considered by the OGCMA as the extension of a privilege to the user. The OGCMA reserves the right through its authorized representative(s) to withdraw that privilege from any person (whether or not such person paid an entrance fee) who misuses that privilege by violating any of the above rules, or for indecent exposure, inappropriate display, abusive act or language directed to another user or a representative of the Association, destruction of property, conduct considered hazardous to other persons or property, or for any other conduct which is not generally considered compatible with the interest or purposes of the Association or interest of the community.

The standard for the application of the terms "indecent exposure", "inappropriate display", "abusive act or language" as used in the preceding sentence shall be generally accepted standard for the community of Ocean Grove in keeping with the stated purpose of the Association being to provide and maintain "for members and friends of the Methodist Episcopal (now United Methodist) church, a proper, convenient and desirable permanent Camp Meeting Grounds and Christian seaside resort."