

Duxbury Beach Dog Control Program

The following rules shall be in effect on Duxbury Beach properties from April 1 to August 31, 2003.

1. A dog on Duxbury Beach properties shall be at all times leashed **and** under immediate and effective control of its handler. (**NOTE: "Immediate and effective control" is determined by Harbormaster / Coastal & Natural Resources Department personnel.**)
2. Any person wishing to take a dog onto Duxbury Beach properties shall register with the Town of Duxbury and obtain a permit. Registration and permits will be available at the Duxbury Town Hall between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 3:45 P.M., Monday through Friday. **The permit must be carried by the handler of that dog at all times while the dog is on Duxbury Beach properties.**
3. If in accordance with all rules and regulations, dogs are allowed on the Duxbury Beach properties between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and Sunset, unless these hours are amended by action of the Duxbury Harbormaster's Department. **In all events, dogs are prohibited on Duxbury Beach properties between the hours of Sunset and 8:00 A.M.**
4. Unless specifically amended by these rules or, if applicable, by action of the Duxbury Harbormaster / Coastal & Natural Resources Department, all other Duxbury, State or Federal Dog Control Regulations shall continue to apply. These include regulations under the "Special Dog Regulations contained within the General Beach and Motor Vehicle Regulations" pamphlet, Section 7.1 of the General By-laws of the Town of Duxbury, and Article 37 of the 2002 Duxbury Annual Town Meeting.
5. No dogs or their handlers are allowed in any protected, fenced or stringed area (s) at any time or for any reason.
6. Dog handlers are required at all times of the year to remove droppings from the Powder Point Bridge, beach parking lots and all beach areas.
7. All dogs are prohibited from the front beach, known as the Resident Beach, south to the poles delineating the start of the 4x4 beach. *May 1st to September 15th.*
8. All dogs are prohibited from the back beach north of the Powder Point Bridge adjacent to the Resident Parking Lot. *May 1st to September 15th.*
9. Any violation of these rules shall result in a non-criminal citation as authorized under Section 7.1 of the Duxbury General By-Laws, payable by the handler of the dog, and revocation of the applicable dog permit for the remainder of the season. If a dog permit is revoked for any reason, such revocation shall be recorded at the Duxbury Town Hall, and the person holding the permit and their immediate family members will not be eligible to re-apply for another dog permit until the following year.