

Parking Summer 2021

In our continuing efforts to relieve parking issues due to summer time congestion, the Selectmen are again issuing a call for your help. The Select Board has appointed a Municipal Parking Constable to monitor, help and issue ticket violations in Town controlled parking areas.

As we all know, public parking is limited during the summer in the Mariner/Town Hall area. This year we have more cars and golf carts registered than ever before and many people still have not re-registered after the Covid extension. There are almost three times as many registered vehicles on Long Island than parking spots. You will find no community anywhere in Maine (probably in the nation) that has this type of parking on a waterfront. Please respect the situation and arrange to leave your car at home if off the Island for more than a couple of days.

We have repeatedly requested help from the community to help alleviate some problems by:

- Limiting long term parking - try to leave your car home or use a private service to take it home when off-island for greater than a week.
- Do not leave your vehicle in short term (day trippers/commuters) spaces overnight.
- Parking in designated parking areas only.

- Cars and trucks are not allowed in Golf Cart spaces.
- **The double row nearest the Community Center and the area under the embankment are to be used for golf carts only. Golf cart owners please use these spaces first.**
- Do not park in or block Handicapped parking without a permit - this is a State Law that must be strictly enforced. Please respect those with walking restrictions; they are your neighbors and one day it could be you!
- **Do not park in yellow stripped NO PARKING E-3 (Emergency Boat Captains) spot - rescue calls can be very time critical!**
- Do not block traffic at the head of the Wharf during boat time. Wait for your guest over by the Community Center or in front of the garage.
- Stay off the wharf with vehicles until all the foot traffic has cleared the area. Your freight can wait!
- Some areas by the Post Office and Island Store are posted for 1 hour only. Please observe this, as the area can be a very busy place during the day. There is **no overnight** parking in that area.
- South Beach parking will again be very busy. Long Island Fire and Rescue and nearby residents need full access to this area. **The Town has posted the SW side of Beach**

Avenue (right side when approaching the turnaround) as No Parking. Please unload at the turnaround and then park.

- **Fowler's Beach** Long Island Fire and Rescue, and residents beyond the beach area, need full access to get through. **LICA has posted the water side of Jerry Point Rd (right side when approaching the beach) as No Parking.** Please Park on the opposite side or unload and then park on the South side of Fowler Road heading up the hill.

Parking Stickers and Registrations

There are vehicles parking in the Town Lot that do not have Parking Permits and some vehicles are not displaying current registration stickers.

- Parking Stickers must be displayed to park in the municipal lot on a first come basis. Please make sure you have a current Parking Permit or you will be ticketed if in the Town Lot. **Please remember the stickers do not in any way guarantee a spot.**
- You must have a valid registration sticker (and current insurance card) or you will be subject to enforcement of State Law by the Sheriff's Department anywhere on Island Roads.
- Town Hall is open Tuesday and Thursday to update your vehicle. Check the Town Website for current hours.

Abandoned Vehicles (Junk Cars)

Owners of vehicles that are no longer of use are the responsibility of the last registered owner, unless the Town is notified of the ownership transfer.

Junk vehicles are not to be abandoned on any Town property including Mariner's parking lot and the access road to Boston Sand and Gravel. Any abandoned vehicle will be ticketed and if the owner does not remove the vehicle, the Town will remove it and bill the owner for all associated expenses. *(State Motor Vehicle statues; 29-A §1860.*

ABANDONMENT ON AN ISLAND)

Note: There are private contractors on the Island that you may contact to arrange to have your car removed from the Island for a fee. These are normally scheduled once or twice a year, but individual vehicles may also be removed in conjunction with CBL.

Another Note about Mariners

It is not the responsibility of Casco Bay Lines or the Town to remove your waste packaging material and pallets when you are done with them. CBL will take back good pallets that are stacked to go back to town. Odd sized/broken pallets, cardboard, plastic etc. are yours. Take them with you to the transfer station. The trash cans on the wharf are a courtesy to encourage day-trippers not to leave their trash behind.

They are not for your household trash when leaving for a week. The Town provides weekly residential pickup, 5 days a week attended transfer station hours (including weekends!) and neighbors that will bring in your trash can. When you are done emptying your freight carts, please roll them out of the pedestrian area.

Thank you.

Selectmen-Town of Long Island