

Welcome:

Thank you for your interest in Sandy Neck Beach Park. This 4,700-acre park is owned and managed by the Town of Barnstable. We have five primitive camping sites and a camping lean-to available for your use. Detailed information is available at the Gatehouse located at:
425 Sandy Neck Road,
West Barnstable, Massachusetts
Phone: (508) 362-8300.

To Reach the Camp Sites:

You must hike 3.3 miles to the primitive camp sites or 2.3 miles to the lean-to campsite with your tenting equipment! You must start hiking to the sites before 7pm. Sandy Neck provides primitive camping. This means that you must pack in your equipment and supplies. You must pack out all your garbage. We do not allow vehicle access, even if you have a Sandy Neck ORV permit.

Authorized sites only:

Camping out of the designated tenting areas or lean-to is prohibited (Violations will result in a \$200 fine and the immediate removal from the premises).

Vehicle Parking:

Overnight parking is permitted in the public lot. However, if your vehicle is in a parking space during paying business hours, you will be responsible for a non-refundable daily fee.

Drinking Water and Facilities:

Sandy Neck provides water to the sites. There is a portable toilet available for use within the tent-camping area as well as the lean-to site.

Alcohol:

Sandy Neck regulations prohibit alcoholic beverages within the park (Violations will result in a \$200 fine and the immediate removal from the premises).

Tent Camp Fires:

Open fires are **NOT** allowed within the camping area (violations will result in a \$100 fine and the immediate removal from the premises). Only contained portable stoves with a cover, using man-made fuel and charcoal grills, are allowed within the camping area. We do allow open fires on the front beach after 7pm. Sandy Neck will deliver fire wood to the front beach, inquire at Gatehouse. **Collection of native vegetation for firewood is prohibited (Violations will result in a \$200 fine and the immediate removal from the premises).**

Lean-to Camp Fires:

Fires at the lean-to camping site are allowed **ONLY** in the provided fire ring and cannot exceed two feet in height. All other fire restrictions apply. **Collection of native vegetation for firewood is prohibited (Violations will result in a \$200 fine and the immediate removal from the premises).**

Pets:

Due to the sensitivity of the beach and marshlands, pets are not permitted within the designated camping areas.

Ticks/ Poison Ivy:

Many species of ticks are common in the park so check yourself carefully. Poison Ivy is also widespread. Be able to identify and avoid it.

Endangered Birds and Other Wildlife:

At times, the Piping Plover (a federally threatened species) and other rare species nest on the beach. It is important that they are not approached or disturbed. In addition, Sandy Neck is home to many species of animals including coyote, deer, fox, and diamondback terrapins. **Feeding, harassing, or disturbing wildlife is prohibited (Violations will result in a \$200 fine and the immediate removal from the premises).**

Hiking & Private Property:

There are many privately owned cottages located throughout Sandy Neck. Many of them, including the lighthouse, are on privately owned property. Please be considerate of these residents and consult your map for the property boundaries. **Hike on designated trails only and remain off of all dunes.**

Obtaining a Permit:

You must have a reservation to camp on Sandy Neck. Reservations may be made through the Sandy Neck website.
www.townofbarnstable.us/sandyneckpark/

You must start hiking to the camp sites before 7pm.

Fees are as follows:

\$20 a night per site for primitive camping (non-refundable)

Sites are limited to five individuals with a maximum of two tents. Maximum stay is two consecutive nights.

\$20 per person for lean-to camping (non-refundable)

Lean-to is limited to five individuals. Maximum stay is two consecutive nights.

Emergencies:

Camp at your own risk! During the summer months, Natural Resource Officers will patrol the camping area, but are not constantly present. It is highly recommended that you carry a cell phone when camping.

Sandy Neck Gatehouse: 508-362-8300

Note: The Town of Barnstable reserves the right to prohibit or restrict access to the tent camping and lean-to sites at management's discretion.