



Wildwood Crest POLICE DEPARTMENT

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VEHICLE INSPECTED BY: _____

APPLICATION FOR PERMIT TO OPERATE VEHICLE ON THE BEACH FOR SPORT FISHING

DATE: _____

1. Name of Applicant: _____
2. Address: _____
3. Telephone Number: (____) _____
4. Driver's License Number: _____ State: _____
5. Vehicle Make: _____ Model: _____ Year: _____ Color: _____
6. Vehicle Registration No. / State Issued: _____
7. Expiration Date of Vehicle Registration: _____ Vehicle License Plate: _____
8. Owner's Name (if different than Applicant): _____
9. Address: _____
10. Telephone Number: (____) _____
11. Does your insurance policy cover liability and property damage? Yes _____ No _____

(Note: A copy of your vehicle and/or homeowner's insurance declaration page shall be submitted with your application; failure to do so shall result in rejection of application.)

12. Hold Harmless Agreement / Acceptance of Responsibility: I agree to release, indemnify, and hold harmless the Borough of Wildwood Crest against any loss, damage, or liability, including Attorney's fees and expenses incurred as a result of or arising out of my operation of a vehicle on or about the beaches of Wildwood Crest or any entrances leading thereto. I do further agree to accept full and complete responsibility for any Borough property, which I may damage as a result of my operation of a vehicle on the beaches of the Borough or any entrances leading thereto. I understand and accept, in the event my vehicle should become disabled and can not be driven from the beach, that immediate action shall be taken by the owner to have the vehicle removed by a towing operator, at the owner's expense. If the owner does not take prompt action to have the vehicle removed, the Borough shall have full authority to have the vehicle removed and all costs for same shall be borne by the owner.

Signature of Applicant: _____ Date: _____

Signature of Owner
(if different than Applicant) _____ Date: _____

Operation of Vehicles on the Beach for the Purpose of Sport Fishing

RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. The Borough of Wildwood Crest permits vehicles to be operated on the beach during the period from October 1st through April 30th for the purpose of sport fishing only. The applicant must present his or her vehicle at the Wildwood Crest Police Department for inspection. The applicant must then fill out an application form and pay the requisite fee for the permit. The vehicle must contain specifically stated items before use on the beach. Upon meeting this requirement, a permit sticker will be issued to be placed on the approved vehicle on the rear window of the driver's side of the vehicle.
2. Permit Fees: \$25.00
3. Required Equipment in Vehicle: Tow rope, Jack with board, inflated spare tire, fire extinguisher, first aid kit, shovel, jumper cables, flashlight, and tools for changing a flat.
4. Prohibited Vehicles: Campers, all terrain vehicles, motorcycles, mopeds, and / or any other vehicles with eating or sleeping accommodations shall not be permitted on the beach.
5. Vehicle Requirements: The vehicle must be properly registered and bear a current inspection sticker issued by the state where the vehicle is registered. The vehicle must have current insurance and a copy of the declaration page must be submitted with the application for a permit.
6. Speed Limits: The speed limit for a vehicle operated on the beach and all approaches thereto shall not exceed ten (10) miles per hour. The speed limit while passing under the Wildwood Crest Fishing Club Pier shall not exceed five (5) miles per hour.
7. Points of Entrance / Exit: Cresse Avenue or Washington Avenue only.
8. Dates / Hours of Operation: October 1st through April 30th from 6:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
9. Areas of Operation: Except during actual entrance/exit from the beach, no vehicle shall be operated at a distance closer than fifty (50) feet from the then high tide line and no closer than fifty (50) feet to any sand dune or outfall pipe. Extreme care shall be taken to operate at a safe distance from any sand dunes, beach walkways, lifeguard stands, or other borough property.

NOTE: This handout is for your convenience and is not to be considered a complete set of rules and regulations, which set may be amended from time to time by the Borough to protect the safety and welfare of the beaches and all individuals utilizing same. Failure to strictly adhere to these rules and regulations, and any other provisions of the appropriate section of the Code of the Borough shall be sufficient cause for revocation of the permit issued and the Borough shall retain the full amount of the fee.

ORDINANCE NO. 862

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING AND AUGMENTING CHAPTER 8- BEACHES – OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF WILDWOOD CREST, SECTION 8-6 (Q), PROHIBITING OPERATION OF MOTOR VEHICLES ON THE BEACHES, AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 564 ADOPTED ON NOVEMBER 11, 1981, AMENDED JULY 20, 1987 BY ORDINANCE NO. 655, AMENDED MAY 10, 1989 BY ORDINANCE NO. 695, TO ALLOW THE OPERATION OF MOTOR VEHICLES ON THE BEACHES FOR SPORT FISHING AND TO ESTABLISH REQUIREMENTS AND SET FEES FOR THE OPERATION OF SAID MOTOR VEHICLES.

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the Borough of Wildwood Crest, County of Cape May and State of New Jersey, is of the opinion that it is in the best interest of the public to permit the operation of motor vehicles on the beaches at specified time periods for the limited purpose of permitting sport fishing and to set, by ordinance, established fees and standards and procedures for the operation of said motor vehicles on the beaches,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Commissioners of the Borough of Wildwood Crest, County of Cape May and State of New Jersey as follows:

Section 1. Chapter 8 – Beaches – Section 8-6 (Q), shall be amended as follows:

It shall be lawful to operate a motor vehicle, licensed under the procedures and regulations contained herein, on the beaches of Wildwood Crest, as follows:

1. Purpose: Vehicles shall be operated on the beaches solely for the purpose of sport fishing.
2. Months of Operation: Sport fishing shall be permitted from October 1st through April 30th only.
3. Hours of Operation: Hours of operation of motor vehicles shall be restricted to 6:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
4. License and Fee Required: No motor vehicle shall be operated on the beaches without a license for sport fishing. Any person desiring to obtain said license shall complete an application for a license at the Wildwood Crest Police Department during regular business hours of 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Applicant must present motor vehicle to be licensed for sport fishing and said vehicle must have a current approved vehicle inspection sticker issued by the State in which the vehicle is registered. Applicants must also submit proof of current driver's license and insurance certificate and vehicle registration.

No application shall be issued to any person under the age of 17 or to any person who does not possess a valid driver's license in good standing for the operation of a motor vehicle, and if any applicant is under the age of 18, a parent or legal guardian must sign the application consenting to the issuance of the license.

5. The fee for license shall be paid prior to license being issued. Fees for said license shall be \$25.00.

6. The license must be displayed on the motor vehicle in the rear window driver's side of vehicle. Licenses are not transferable to other vehicles.
7. All motor vehicles operated on the beaches of Wildwood Crest must contain the following equipment: tow rope, jack with board, inflated spare tire, shovel, fire extinguisher, flashlight, first-aid kit and tools needed for changing flat tires of said vehicle.
8. Vehicles with Sleeping or Eating Accommodations Prohibited: No motor vehicle with either sleeping or eating accommodations or both shall be permitted to obtain a license to operate on the beaches of Wildwood Crest. No motor vehicle issued a license shall be permitted to be utilized for changing of clothes, sleeping or eating while being operated on the beaches of Wildwood Crest.
9. Speed Limits: No motor vehicle licensed to operate on the beaches of Wildwood Crest shall be operated in excess of 10 miles per hour.
10. Access: Access to and from the beaches shall be made only at Cresse Avenue and Washington Avenue. All vehicles must enter at the avenue closest to their destination and remain in that area, exiting from same point of entry.
11. Area of Access: Except during actual entrance to and exit from the beach at the appropriate access points, no vehicle shall operate at a distance of more than 50 feet from the then exiting high tide line and no closer than 50 feet to any sand dune or outfall pipe. Operation through the Fishing Club pier shall be through the designated marked area and the speed shall not exceed 5 miles per hour. Care shall be taken not to operate across or cause damage to any sand dunes. Operation **across** or **on** the pedestrian / bicycle path to enter or exit the beaches shall not be permitted.
12. Exclusions: The provisions of this ordinance shall not apply to emergency vehicles, vehicles operated by the Wildwood Crest Police Department, or vehicles operated by Borough of Wildwood Crest employees in performance of their municipal duties or for municipal-sponsored functions or events.
13. Alcoholic Beverage Use: The use of alcoholic beverages in any motor vehicle (s) licensed hereunder while operating on the beaches of the Borough of Wildwood Crest is expressly prohibited and violations hereof will result in revocation of license, in addition to other penalties as provided for herein.
14. Violations and Penalties: Suspension or Revocation of License or Permit: Any person violating any provision of this article shall, upon conviction, be punishable by a fine of not less than \$250.00 and not to exceed \$1,000.00 or imprisonment for a term not to exceed 90 days, or both, or to revocation or suspension of his or her license or permit with respect to any or all of his or her licensed registered motor vehicle, or to all or any of said penalties within the sole discretion of the municipal judge. The Chief of Police shall have the authority, in his discretion, to suspend the permit, license or the right of the offender to use the beaches pending a hearing before the municipal judge upon charges made. No license or permit holder shall be permitted to obtain a new license or permit for any motor vehicle during the period of suspension nor, upon revocation, shall the permit holder or

license holder obtain a new permit or license for a period of one year after his or her revocation.

Section 2. All other Ordinances in conflict or inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict or inconsistency.

Section 3. If any section or sections, part or parts, word or words of this Ordinance is or are invalid, the remaining sections, parts or words shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 4. This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon final passage and publication according to law.

DATE: _____

Kevin M. Yecco, Clerk

Carl Groon, Mayor

Don Cabrera, Commissioner

Joyce Gould, Commissioner

Introduce: 9-13-99

Adopted:

Effective: