

TRUSTEES PLACES ARE CLOSED BETWEEN 10PM AND 5AM, EXCEPT FOR SURFCASTING.



important phone numbers

Beach Access Hotline 508.627.8390
 Mytoi Ranger Station/Tours 508.627.3599
 Martha's Vineyard Regional Office 508.693.7662



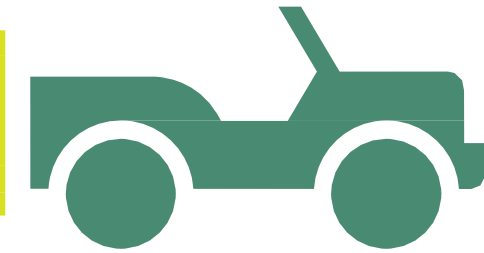
ISLANDS REGIONAL OFFICE
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 Vineyard Haven, MA 02568
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RULES AND REGULATIONS

VIOLATIONS WILL INCUR A WARNING AND/OR PERMIT REVOCATION.

1. The beaches provide important habitat for many rare and protected plants and wildlife. Entering fenced or posted areas intended to protect nesting birds or fragile coastal plants is prohibited.
2. Keep a safe distance from wildlife, including seals.
3. Speed limit is 15 MPH and 5 MPH at shorebird nesting areas. Speed limits are strictly enforced.
4. Choose kindness! Abusive behaviors to staff or visitors will cause OSV permit revocation. Tire must be deflated to 15 PSI. Deflate tires ONLY at MYTOI Parking.
5. Dogs must be leashed at all times and are prohibited from all posted shorebird habitat.
6. Keep the beaches clean! Please take trash with you.
7. Vehicles must have shovel, tow strap, full-size spare tire, board, tire pressure gauge, and OSV Driving Guide while on the beach.
8. Respect our neighbors and their property by enjoying the beach within The Trustees' boundaries.
9. Removing, altering, or damaging any natural or historic feature or infrastructure is prohibited.
10. Overnight camping is prohibited.
11. Kite flying allowed only more than 200 yards away from protected shorebird areas.
12. Parties greater than 20 require a permit from Trustees management.
13. Commercial activities-providing any service, product or activity for a fee-require a permit with The Trustees management.
12. The Trustees reserve the right to restrict alcoholic beverages on their properties.

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**OVERSAND
VEHICLE**

**DRIVING
GUIDE**

**CAPE
POGE
WILDLIFE
REFUGE
AND
LELAND
BEACH**

BEACHES SUBJECT TO CLOSURES DUE TO PROTECTED SHOREBIRDS AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS.

Before you go, check beach updates at:

@TheTrustees MV   

Online at: thetrustees.org/programs/mv-OSV-permits

Beach Hotline: **508.627.8390**

IN CASE OF EMERGENCY

Call 911 or 508.693.1212

OVERSAND VEHICLE DRIVING TIPS

1. Tires must be deflated to maximum 15 PSI before entry. Deflate your tires at the Mytoi Gatehouse parking lot only. Free re-inflation stations are located at Mytoi Garden.

2. Vehicles must be in 4-wheel-drive HIGH and carry shovel, jack, tow strap, full-sized spare tire, jack support board, and air gauge. Vehicles lacking equipment may be refused entry.

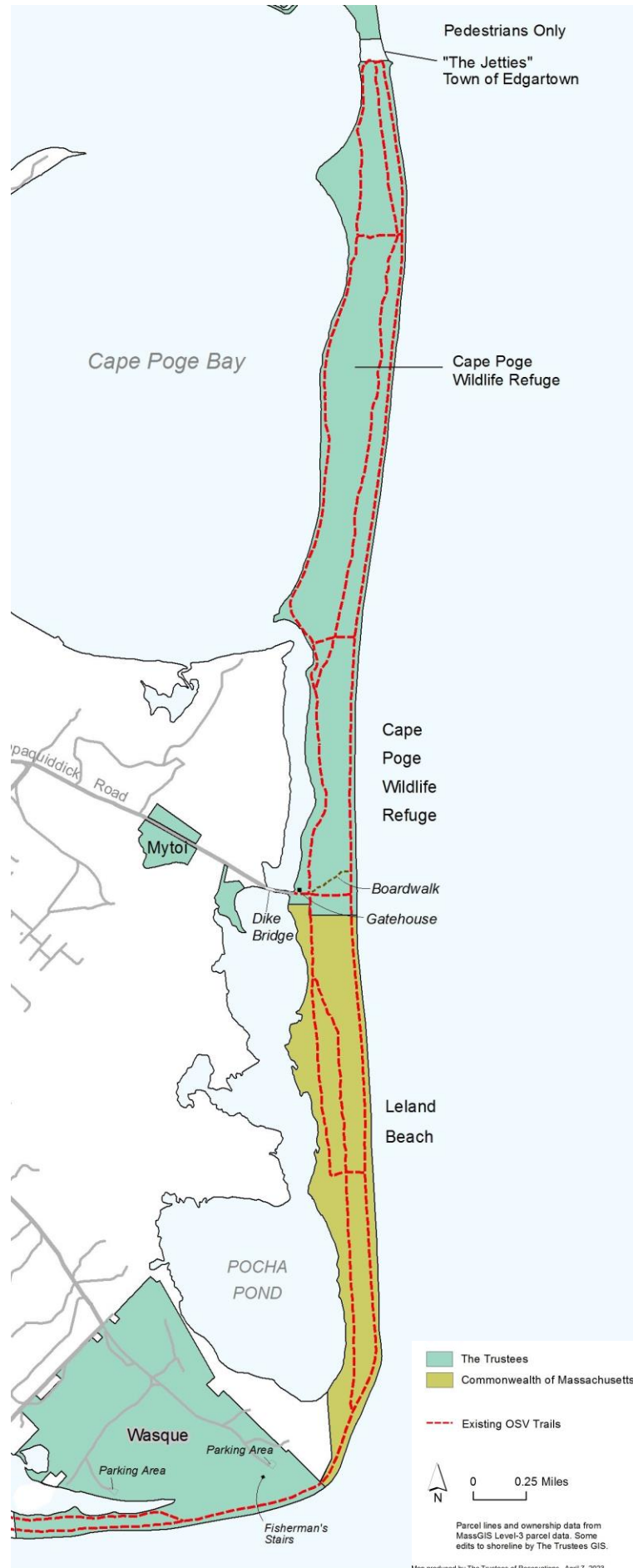
3. Vehicles must stay on trails to prevent damage to the dunes. Dry soft sand is dangerous and must be approached with great care. Do not drive below the berm or on wet intertidal sand.

4. Vehicle speed is 15 MPH and 5 MPH in posted shorebird areas. Speed limits strictly enforced by rangers.

5. If you are stuck, do not spin tires. Let out more air and try again. If your car frame touches the sand, stop! Follow this procedure: **(a)** Jack up each wheel and fill in holes under each tire; **(b)** Drop tire pressure further and attempt to back up about fifteen feet; **(c)** Fill in all holes; **(d)** Proceed forward slowly.

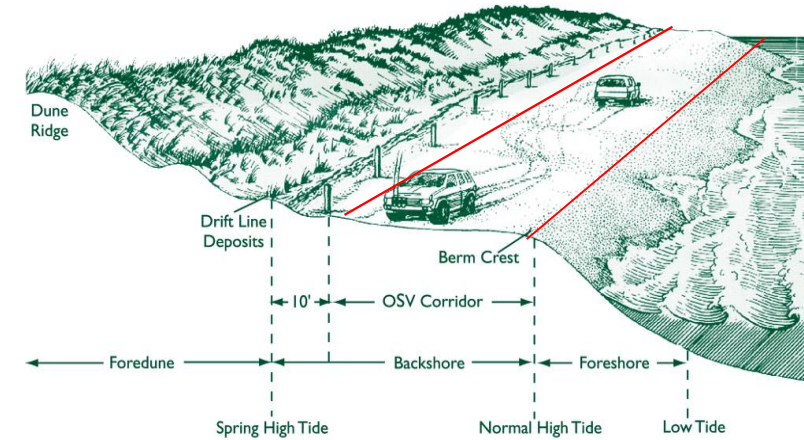
6. While driving on the OSV trails, take notice of the marked turnouts. If you see a car coming towards you on the trail, please use the nearest turnout to pull over and let the other car pass. This action will prevent you or the other car from getting stuck, while also protecting the fragile vegetation. If you are not near a turnout, please back up until you find one. Back past the turnout and pull forwards into it. Do not make your own turnout – this immediately damages the dune. Driving outside trail is grounds for permit revocation!

7. In case of problems, please see a ranger or call the Mytoi Ranger Station between 9-4:30 daily. If after-hours, please call the County Communications Center at 508.693.1212; they will contact a ranger.



DRIVING CORRIDORS

Please stay within the defined OSV Trail corridors. Portions of these trails may be closed for protection of wildlife or for public safety. Driving in or parking on vegetation, sand dunes, or in bird nesting areas is prohibited.



ELIGIBILITY

Oversand Vehicle (OSV) access to the properties is restricted to registered permit holders. Only 4WD or AWD vehicles with at least 8 inch clearance are eligible. Vehicles exceeding a gross weight of 6,800 pounds, dune buggies, motorcycles, mopeds, ATVs, trailers, snowmobiles, or the like are not eligible.

PERMITS ARE NON-REFUNDABLE, non-transferable, and the property of The Trustees of Reservations. Permit Stickers must be mounted on the driver's side front and rear bumpers. Vehicles not bearing both stickers are invalid.

VISITOR EXPERIENCE The Trustees hopes all have a safe and enjoyable experience! Please help by upholding rules and regulations. The Trustees has zero tolerance for violations. Violations will result in a warning, permit revocation, and/or expulsion from the premises. Violations may also be subject to law enforcement and court citation. Visitors use the property at their own risk.

