



TOWN OF BREWSTER KAYAK- CANOE-SUP RACK REGULATIONS ANNUAL APPLICATION

Requirements:

- a) The Town of Brewster requires a current kayak/canoe/standup paddle board (SUP) rack permit for any vessel stored on the Town owned racks.

Fees:

- a) \$30 per year
- b) Submit a separate check per application

Permits:

- a) Annual permits are issued for Paines Creek, Mants Landing, Saints Landing, First Light Beach, Uppermill Pond, Sheep Pond, and Long Pond.

Applications:

- a) Applications will be accepted between January 1 and March 1 on the Department's website or for pick-up in the Natural Resources Office located at 1657 Main Street.
- b) Each application must have its own application fee (cannot use one check for multiple applications)
- c) Maximum of three (3) applications per household per kayak storage area, excluding First Light Beach which has a maximum of two (2) applications per household.
- d) Duplicate vessel applications are prohibited. Limit of one (1) application per vessel per kayak storage area.

Terms of use:

- a) Only one (1) vessel is permitted to occupy a rack space.
- b) Storage available (May 15 - Nov 15) for all areas excluding Paines Creek and First Light Beach.
- c) Paines Creek and First Light Beach storage available (May 15 - Columbus Day)
- d) Storage is only permitted in approved designated areas.
- e) No storage of other beach equipment i.e., umbrellas, beach toys, beach chairs, etc.

Occupancy Requirements:

- a) With limited space at each location, rack space must be actively used.
- b) All vessels must be in place by July 15th or forfeit their rack space to the next person on the wait list.

Suitable Vessel:

- a) A vessel that measures less than or equal to 17 feet long, 39 inches wide and 24 inches high.
- b) A kayak that, in the opinion of the Harbormaster, does fit within the designated rack space or does not impair the use of the rack by other permit holders, or does not negatively impact natural resources, or does not exceed the structural capacity of the rack.

Stickers:

- a) Must be current
- b) Must match the rack number and location
- c) Must be visible

Selection Process:

- a) A computer-generated random selection process from all the applications received by March 1 will take place at the Department of Natural Resource office to fill the rack spaces.
- b) Successful applications will be sent their permit sticker with the location and assigned rack number.
- c) This number will correspond with a number on the rack, designating the applicants rack location.
- d) If all spaces are not filled using the random selection process, additional spaces will be filled on a first come first served basis starting with any current waiting list.

Waiting List:

- a) When all rack spaces are filled, a wait list will be established using the same random selection process.
- b) The wait list is for a calendar year only; spaces will be filled the following year using the same random selection process described above.

Responsibilities:

- a) The Town of Brewster shall not be responsible for any lost or damaged vessels stored on Town racks.
- b) The Town shall not be responsible for any injuries resulting from the raising or lowering of these vessels onto Town racks.
- c) Vessel owners/operators will be held responsible for any damage caused by them or their vessels.

Permit Inspections:

- a) The Harbormaster or Assistant Harbormaster may, at any time inspect any vessel stored on these racks and remove any vessel that does not have a current permit or expired permit.

Non-permitted Vessel:

- a) Any vessel that is not in compliance with these regulations will be tagged with a violation notice, stating the date, nature of violation and DNR contact information.
- b) Efforts will be made to notify the vessel owners.
- c) If no action is taken within 48 hours of the initial notice, the vessel will be removed and stored at the DNR office.

Abandoned Vessel:

- a) Any vessel that is left on rack outside of the permitted dates without the permission of the Harbormaster, will be tagged with a violation notice, stating the date, nature of violation and DNR contact information.
- b) Efforts will be made to notify the vessel owners.
- c) If no action is taken after 48 hours of the initial notice, the vessel will be removed and stored at the DNR office.

Vessel Storage:

- a) Any vessel removed will be held at the Harbormaster's office until the owner has been notified, vessel is claimed, or for one (1) year at which time the vessel is considered an abandoned vessel and may be disposed of in the best interest of the Town.

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