

## Types of Parking Permits

- **Seasonal Permit** - Frequent visitors to the off-road may wish to purchase a Seasonal Permit, available for \$150.
- **10-Day Permit** - This permit is available for purchase (\$50) for a consecutive, 10-day term by those who want to park on the four-wheel drive beach but are not Currituck County residents or property owners.
- **Resident/Owner Permit** - Free to Currituck County residents/owners, valid for the entire season.
- **Lost Permits** - There are no free replacements for permits that are lost or stolen. Damaged permits may be returned to an issuing center for replacement at no charge.



### The new permit system does not apply to:

- County vehicles
- Emergency vehicles
- Any government agency conducting beach restoration
- Scientific research
- Animal protection
- Commercial fishermen
- Outdoor tour operators when actively engaging in a tour or hunters who are using state or federal land located within Currituck County



### For More Information About Driving & Parking On Currituck County Beaches:

[www.parkingonthebeach.com](http://www.parkingonthebeach.com)  
[www.visitcurrituck.com/beach-driving-tips](http://www.visitcurrituck.com/beach-driving-tips)

#### Corolla Visitor Center

500 Hunt Club Drive, Corolla, NC  
252-453-9612

#### Currituck Welcome Center

106 Caratoke Highway, Moyock, NC  
252-435-2947

# CURRITUCK COUNTY 4X4 BEACH PARKING & DRIVING



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## Beach Parking Permits

Beachgoers who wish to park on Currituck County's four-wheel drive beach during the summer will need a county-issued beach parking permit displayed on their motor vehicle. This permit system was adopted by the Board of Commissioners in an effort to increase safety in the four-wheel drive area, where large numbers of people and vehicles mix on a daily basis during the summer tourist season.

**The permit system is effective from the Friday before Memorial Day through Labor Day.**

**Key provisions in the policy include:**

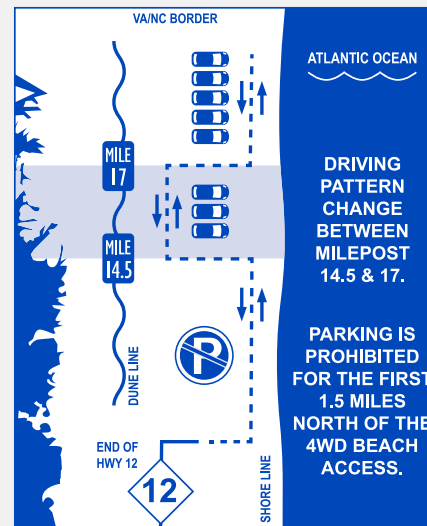
- Full-time Currituck County residents and property owners may receive two free Resident/Owner permits per property. Full time residents and property owners who own a property in the 4-wheel drive area with a residential dwelling (house) may receive two additional Resident/Owner Permits for that property.
- Applicants are required to provide proof of ownership or residency in Currituck County to receive a Resident/Owner Permit. Supporting documents include: a valid driver's license with a Currituck County address, a tax bill, a deed record, a pay stub or a utility bill.
- All others may purchase a Seasonal or 10-Day permit by submitting a completed Beach Parking Permit application to Currituck County. Permits are available for purchase at the Corolla Visitor Center and Currituck County Welcome Center.

**Beach Parking Permit costs are:**

- \$50.00 10-day Parking Pass**  
(Valid for 10 consecutive days)
- \$150.00 Seasonal Pass**  
(Valid from the Friday before Memorial Day through Labor Day)

## Things to Know When Driving on the Beach

- **Air Down Ordinance** - No person shall drive or operate a motor vehicle on the beach strand or foreshore with tires with air pressure exceeding the following pounds per square inch (*p.s.i.*):
  1. *Twenty p.s.i. for motor vehicles with a curb weight of less than 5,000 pounds*
  2. *Tire p.s.i. not greater than that required for safe travel for motor vehicles with curb weight greater than 5,000 pounds.*
- **Air Down Location** - Motorists should pull over to air down tires at the Corolla Village Road public access facility, located on the east side of NC 12.
- **Air Up Location** - After leaving the beach, motorists may air up tires at Historic Corolla Park, which is located on the west side of NC 12. Enter at the main park entrance and turn right into the parking lot. Air stations are located at the end of the lot near the picnic pavilion.
- **Lane Shift** - Vehicles are required to use driving lanes adjacent to the dune line between Milepost 14.5 and Milepost 17 from 9 AM until 5 PM on May 24 - September 2. All other times, you can use driving lanes adjacent to the dune line or at the shore line. **See map below for details.**



- **Do Not Block the Traffic Lane** - All vehicles shall be parked in the middle of the beach strand and not obstruct the traffic lane. Likewise, no beach chairs, coolers, fishing lines, or other items should be placed in a location that blocks the traffic lanes. Remove your personal items and property when you leave and do not leave unattended property on the beach. Any property remaining on the beach between sunset and sunrise shall be considered litter and is subject to removal and disposal.
- **Fill Your Holes** - Excessive and unsafe digging or piling of sand on the beach is prohibited. Visitors must fill in any holes dug while playing on the beach to prevent safety hazards.
- **Help Preserve the Dunes** - Remember that it is illegal to walk on or traverse the dunes outside of a defined dune walkover beach access point. Do not allow children or pets to play or dig on the dunes, and do not damage or remove any dune vegetation.

## About the Currituck County Beach Parking Application

The county is accepting **completed Beach Parking Permit Applications** via mail or in-person at one of the following locations:

**In Corolla**  
Corolla Visitor's Center  
500 Hunt Club Drive  
Corolla, North Carolina 27927

**On the Mainland**  
Currituck Welcome Center  
106 Caratoke Highway  
Moyock, North Carolina 27958

**Fax:** 252-435-2996 or 252-453-9653

Make sure to **provide the required documentation** in order to complete the application to be processed. Permits must be picked up in person at either the Currituck Welcome Center or the Corolla Visitors Center. Please indicate the location where you will be picking up your application by calling 252-435-2947. **For more information on Currituck Beach Parking Permits, call: 252-435-2947 or 252-453-9612**