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All,

Here is some information on self-contained vehicle camping at Cape Cod National Seashore, from their website (<http://www.nps.gov/caco/planyourvisit/oversand.htm>). There is more information on that page generally about how they manage ORV driving on the beach, but I've tried to copy all the parts relevant to self-contained vehicles.

According to a ranger at Cape Cod, the CFR that pertains to CACO self-contained vehicle camping is 36 CFR 7.67 (a) 9. I haven't had a chance to look it up yet.

I will also share this information with Judy Swartwood.

Best,

Ona

PRICE

Self-contained Vehicle (SCV) Annual - \$225
Self-contained Vehicle (SCV) 7-Day - \$75

BEACH CAMPING IN A SELF-CONTAINED VEHICLE:

Camping is restricted to self-contained vehicle permittees and allowed in self-contained camping areas only on Race Point Beach. Camping is limited to 100 vehicles per night and restricted to 21 days per vehicle from July 1 through Labor Day. Variable beach conditions and temporary beach closures may result in temporary or permanent changes in the locations and boundaries of the designated camping areas. Tents and camping trailers are prohibited.

Advanced Sale System:

SCV owners have the option of purchasing 7-Day permits. These weekly SCV permits are included in the total number of 400 7-Day permits, and may be purchased in person, or through the Advanced Sale System.

The following rules apply to the Advanced Sale System:

- 1) SCV Annual permit holders will not be able to purchase a 7-Day SCV permit at any time.
- 2) The advanced sales for SCV 7-Day permits will not exceed 20 permits issued per week. Additional SCV 7-Day permits may be purchased on a first-come, first-served basis as space allows.
- 3) Users purchasing 7-Day SCV permits or the annual SCV permit MUST remember they are not guaranteed one of the 100 spaces available on the beach.
- 4) There will be NO REFUNDS for weekly or annual permits purchased. Do not request weekly permits for any date prior to April 15th, or after November 9th, since the ORV corridor is open April 15th through November 15th.
- 5) When using the Advanced Sale System, be certain that you give all information on the request form. The contact information you give will be used to promptly inform you of the status of your permit request. It may be necessary to contact potential permittees when the 200 Advanced Sale System permit limit has been reached.

Inspection/equipment information will be included on the Advanced Sale permit request form. By indicating on the request form that one has all the required equipment, and that all 5 tires meet the ORV size requirements, the user assures compliance with equipment requirements. The limit of 100 SCV's will remain in effect, and spaces are available on a first-come, first-served basis.

Time Limits & Holding Tank Regulations:

All self-contained beach camping spaces are available on a first-come, first-served basis except July 4 and Labor Day weekends when reservations are required. All self-contained vehicles arriving for an overnight stay must register at the Off-road Vehicle Station before going onto the beach. An overnight authorization permit will be issued at this time. If arriving after hours you must register by 9 am the following morning.

If overnight authorizations are not renewed, the vehicle must be removed from the beach by 4 PM on the day the authorization expires. Authorizations must be posted with the expiration date clearly visible.

Self-contained vehicles may be parked in the designated areas for a maximum total of 21 days during the period from July 1 through Labor Day.

Self-contained vehicles MUST exit the beach after each 72 consecutive hours in order to empty holding tanks and gray water at an established septage dumping facility.

SCV reservations for July 4 & Labor Day Weekends are no longer required.