

The Chappy Insider's Guide

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Animal Control

If your pet is missing, please contact Barbara Prada, the Edgartown Animal Control Officer at 508-627-9611. If you have a stray dog, or other wildlife emergency, call the Communications Center at 508-693-1212. There is a leash law on Chappy.

Bikes

Ride with the traffic--single file.

Car Rentals & Services

ENTERPRISE (1-508-540-7784), has car rental offices in Falmouth and New Bedford, and will meet you at the Woods Hole, Falmouth and New Bedford ferries. Falmouth is open 8-6, Monday through Friday, and 9 to 3pm on Saturday and Sunday. New Bedford is open 8-6 Monday through Friday, and starting June 23rd will be open 7 days a week at the State Pier, to coordinate with the Vineyard Fast Ferry schedule. Call 508-995-1132 (ext. 4) for more information.)

AVIS (1-508-548-2420)/BUDGET (1-508-540-1150) at 276 Palmer Ave (the SSA Palmer Ave Lot) is open Monday-Friday from 8-6, Saturday and Sunday (9-2). They have a drop box for car returns after hours.

HERTZ (1-508-540-1058) at 689 Gifford St., Falmouth is open Monday through Friday from 8 to 5, and will provide pickup service from the front gate of the SSA Palmer Avenue parking lot from 9 to 4. On Saturday Hertz is open for 3 hours from 9-12 but does not provide drop off or pickup on Saturday. Hertz is closed on Sunday. They have a drop box also.

There are several livery service companies that will meet you at Woods Hole for travel to Logan, Providence, and other destinations. For further information: call Drummond Transportation, www.drummondtransportation.com (781-293-6264), White Tie Limo(www.whitetielimo.com) (508-548-1066), or Coastal Livery Transportation Service (www.coastallivery.com), 781-706-6865.

Cemeteries

There are no more available lots at the beautiful old cemetery on Cape Pogue. The new cemetery across from the CCC is for ashes only. Here there is plenty of room. Contact Bill or Ann Brine @ 508-627-8065 or anncbrine@gmail.com.

Chappaquiddick Community Center (CCC)

Everyone is welcome at the Chappaquiddick Community Center for activities such as concerts, foreign films, table tennis, yoga and other exercise classes, ice cream socials, lobster roll dinners, potluck dinners, an annual calendar photo contest, a week long book sale, a family fair, and more. There is also a tennis court, a basketball half-court, and ping pong tables. The Center's library has books on Chappy history, flora, and fauna, as well as children's books, and a toddlers' playgroup. The center has WIFI access 24/7. This

summer the CCC will have a weekly Farmers' Market and crafts fair on Wednesdays from 4:30-5:30 pm, starting July 6th.

The Center is supported by subscription fees of \$100 per family, and generous donations from supporters. The Center is an IRC Section 501(c)(3) nonprofit corporation and all donations are tax deductible. Subscribers' families may enroll in fee-based programs for sailing and tennis classes. The Center also welcomes volunteers for various events. You may call the CCC for more information at 508-627-8222 or stop by between 8:30 am and 12:30 pm, Monday-Friday during July and August.

Check the Calendar of Events posted outside the Community Center and at the Bulletin Board at the Ferry House at the Point, or check the new website at www.chappycommunitycenter.org. The email address is chappycc@verizon.net.

Chappaquiddick Island Association (CIA)

The Chappaquiddick Island Association (CIA) is a non-profit organization founded in 1952. It has over 300 year-round and seasonal members who are interested in Chappy issues, such as, open space, transportation, water quality, zoning, telecommunications and utility upgrades. Annual meetings are held in July and August and are open to the public. E-mails from the CIA are a good way to keep up with current events. Suggested family membership is \$50 a year, however any donation is accepted. Anyone can join, though only property owners may vote. For more membership information, call Claire Thacher (508-627-8720) or check www.chappaquiddickislandassociation.org. Dues can be mailed to the CIA, PO Box 1292, Edgartown, MA 02539.

CIA Open Space Fund

The CIA Open Space Committee was established to preserve and protect the rare and diverse landscape of Chappaquiddick. This is accomplished by (i) expanding the island's greenbelt and other open spaces through acquisitions and conservation restrictions (in partnership with other conservation organizations); (ii) maintaining and increasing the island's trail systems to ensure walking paths throughout the island's open space, which will also provide additional access to shores and recreational lands, (iii) preserving and enhancing roadside vistas, and (iv) educating and involving all of the island's landowners and neighborhoods in achieving these goals.

Since 1998 more than 500 of Chappy's 3600 acres have been conserved, through the generosity of over 300 donors. The CIA Open Space Committee works with Sheriffs Meadow Foundation and the Martha's Vineyard Land Bank, and uses the Chappy Fund to share the cost of land parcels. Donations of cash, land or permanent conservation restrictions are welcome. Annual gifts, capital contributions, and planned giving are options. Should you have an interest in discussing conservation restrictions or land gifts, please call Norma Costain Kontje, or Richard Knight. Donations should be made payable to "The Sheriffs Meadow Foundation", and sent to: Sheriff's Meadow Foundation, attn:

Chappy Fund, PO Box 1088, Vineyard Haven, MA 02568. Please call 508-693-5207 for help with stock transfers. Gifts are 100% tax deductible.

Sheriffs Meadow handles the accounting and does not charge the Chappy Fund an overhead fee. All other work is done on a volunteer basis. Consequently every dollar donated to Sheriffs Meadow's Chappy Fund goes directly toward land or direct expenses such as legal or closing costs.

Chappaquiddick Landing

This is a private multi-family ownership dock on the harbor off Manaca Hill Road. Slip rentals are occasionally available. For rentals, contact Jim DiMattia at 508-627-3007.

Chappy Ferry

The Chappy Ferry is our lifeline to the main island. During the summer season the ferry runs every day from 6:45 am until midnight. During the off-season the ferry runs on a more limited posted schedule (i.e., 6:45 am-8 pm; 9 pm-10 pm; and 11 pm-11:15 pm). However, you may request an earlier ferry by speaking to the ferry captain in person before 5 p.m. on the previous day. There is a surcharge for the earlier ferries.

To access the Chappy Ferry after-hours for police, fire, or medical emergencies, call the general dispatch number 508-693-1212 or 911. The daily Chappy Ferry hotline is 508-627-6965 and is updated daily.

Vehicle and passenger commuter books of tickets are available for purchase from the ferry crew. During busy times, the ferries must synchronize and cannot always wait for all foot passengers. The Mail carrier, UPS, and FEDEX have priority boarding privileges. The Chappy Ferry does not carry freight and should not be used as a drop-off for various deliveries. Ferry traffic lines can be viewed at www.mvwifi.com, or at the Ferry's website www.chappyferry.com.

Chappy Store

The Chappy Store, the only store on Chappy, is being managed by Nefititi Jette of Aquinnah. It is open 7 days a week from 8:30am to 5pm through Labor Day. The store carries a wide variety of goods, including fresh sandwiches, brewed coffee, charcoal grill supplies, and pet supplies. Newspapers can be specially requested and reserved. Also special requests for things you may need from off island can be arranged. You can call the store at 508-627-9535.

Code Red

Edgartown is part of a county wide emergency notification system called Code Red. This system is more encompassing than the former texting system, since it encompasses landlines, cell phones, and email. To participate, homeowners should log into the Edgartown website (www.edgartownpolice.org) and sign up.

Deer

The 2016 hunting season for deer on Martha's Vineyard is as follows:

Archery: 10/17-11/26; Shotgun: 11/28-12/10 and Primitive Firearms: 12/12--12/31. Certain hiking trails are closed during the hunting season. Hunting begins ½ hour before sunrise and ends ½ hour after sunset. If there is a need to report hunting violations, call the MA Environmental Police Radio Room at 1-800-632-8075 at any hour.

Deer are especially fond of eating tulips, lilies, and apples. However they do not seem to care for daffodils, daisies, barberry, boxwood, lavender, poppies, thyme, and broom. Nurseries sell deer repellent.

Drivers Licenses and Vehicle Registration

New residents may obtain drivers licenses and vehicle registrations at the Massachusetts Motor Vehicle Registry at eleven A Street in the VTA building at the Airport Business Park. Safety and emissions inspections are required for registration and thereafter on a yearly basis. Note the DMV no longer mails driver license renewal notices.

Driveways

The Fire Department needs clearance for the ambulance and for trucks: 12 feet high by 12 ft. wide. The driveway should not have deep ruts or ridges.

Emergency

Dial **911** for all police, fire, or medical emergencies (the staff at the communication center will notify the ferry by radio). There are a number of defibrillators, and epi-pens on Chappy. All firefighters are CPR trained to the level of first responder. Call 911. Use a land line if possible. Do not text.

A person with a possible, head, neck or back injury should not be moved. If you put the person in an automobile, the EMTs will use valuable time extricating the patient from the car, just as if it were an automobile accident.

All residences are required by Town bylaws to display street numbers at least 3 inches high. If the home cannot be seen from the road, then the street number should be displayed on a post at the entrance to the driveway. It also helps to have the house number on the house. At night, if possible, put on the front door lights and your car flashers to assist the emergency team in locating your home.

Ferry Service

The following are among the major ferry services for the Vineyard:

Chappy Ferry (www.chappyferry.net) 508-627-9427 (hotline:508-627-6965)..year-round passenger & vehicle service from Dock Street in Edgartown to Chappaquiddick.

Falmouth Edgartown Ferry (www.falmouthedgartownferry.com) 508-548-9400..seasonal passenger service aboard the Pied Piper from Falmouth Harbor –278 Scranton Ave. to Memorial Wharf in Edgartown. Parking is valet service at the Falmouth ferry terminal.

Hy-Line Cruises (www.hylinecruises.com) 800-492-8082...seasonal passenger ferry service between Hyannis and Oak Bluffs, and Nantucket and Oak Bluffs.

Island Queen (www.islandqueen.com) 508-548-4800.... seasonal passenger ferry from 75 Falmouth Heights Road, Falmouth to Oak Bluffs.

Patriot Party Boat (www.patriotpartyboats.com), year-round passenger and freight service from Falmouth Harbor, 227 Clinton Ave., Falmouth to Oak Bluffs. (800-734-0088) or(508-548-2626). However the Patriot boat does not run on federal holidays. If you missed your ferry, the Patriot Boat has a 24 hour water taxi service. Call 508-548-2626. Additionally the Patriot Boat provides a free shopping shuttle service to Walmart, the Christmas Tree Shop, and other Falmouth stores.

Seastreak/Martha'sVineyardFerry (www.seastreak.com) 800-262-8743...one hour passenger ferry from the State Pier in New Bedford to Oak Bluffs. There is a bus/ferry service from South Station in Boston to the Vineyard through New Bedford. Seastreak also offers a summer weekend service from Highlands, NJ, and E.35th St., NYC to Oak Bluffs.

The Steamship Authority (www.steamshipauthority.com) Call 508-693-9130 or 508-477-8600. Year-round vehicle transport from Woods Hole. Passenger discount books and senior discounts are available. The SSA also offers "Preferred Space" for autos whose owners have submitted vehicle registration and driver licenses and have been approved for "Preferred Status" which is renewable each year. Excursion rates are available for full time residents.

Vineyard Fast Ferry (www.vineyardfastferry.com) (401-295-4040) seasonal passenger ferry from 1347 Quonset Road, North Kingstown, RI to Oak Bluffs. Airport and Amtrak transportation available.

Fish Delivery

It has become burdensome for the Chappy Ferry to accept fish deliveries or other unaccompanied freight items. Edgartown Seafood (508-627-3791) has come up with a plan. They will send someone over on the 6 pm ferry, and that person will sit near the south side of the slip and wait for the orders to be picked up. This service costs \$5 per order. Orders must be phoned in by 3:30 pm. This service will be offered in July and August.

Fishing

Recreational anglers fishing in the marine waters of Massachusetts must possess a Saltwater Fishing Permit. The cost is \$10 for residents and non-residents. No permit is needed for those: under 16 years of age, fishing on permitted for-hire vessels, or disabled according to the definition in M.G.L.c.19c, regardless of age. Individuals 60 and older must obtain a permit but the permit is free. For more information or to purchase a permit visit www.mass.gov/marinefisheries or call 1-866-703-1925.

Golf

The Royal and Ancient Chappaquiddick Links is a beautiful 9 hole golf course on North Neck Rd. Memberships are available. Call Brad Woodger at 508-627-2729 or e-mail royalchappy9@gmail.com for more information. www.royalchappy.com

Land Bank

The Martha's Vineyard Land Bank maintains many beautiful properties and hiking trails on Chappy that are open to the public daily from sunrise to sundown except during hunting season. Land Bank maps are available online at www.mvlandbank.com

Library

Throughout the year, the Edgartown Library offers a variety of programs for both adults and children. Library cards are free to all Massachusetts residents and Island property owners. All other visitors need only pay an annual fee of \$10 for a library card.

The Edgartown Library's nearly 40,000 books, magazines, videos, DVDS, audiobooks, and CDs are only the tip of the iceberg. Through the CLAMS network of 35 member libraries (including all Island libraries), more than 1.5 million additional items are available to Edgartown library patrons, and can easily be searched and requested online. Access to the Boston Public Library is included as well. Check with the reference librarian for further information.

There are 9 adult computers available for use, and 16 chromebook laptops for children's use. Depending on demand, there may be time limitations on usage. The Library is open from 10am-5pm Monday, Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, and from 10am-8pm on Tuesday and Wednesday. The library is closed on Sunday. For additional information, a library card application, item requests, or item renewals, call 508-627-4221, or log onto www.edgartownlibrary.org.

Mail & Shipping

US Mail. Chappy has a new mail carrier. Please clearly mark all mailboxes with either a name or address. Please advise the Vineyard Haven office when you arrive, and when you are leaving. Please fill out a forwarding notice. This will enable our postman to be as accurate as possible. Any questions, call the Vineyard Haven Post Office. (508) 693-2818.

There is a US Postbox next to the Chappy ferry at the Point with a 1 p.m. pickup. Residents who have a free standing mail box on the road, should put their name and street number on the right side of the box. Their mail should be addressed as follows: Your Street Address, Edgartown, MA 02539. Please contact the Vineyard Haven P.O. before putting up a new mailbox.

Mail is being sorted out of Vineyard Haven (508 693-2818), and when mail is held, please specify if you want to pick it up in Vineyard Haven or Edgartown.

Certified mail, express mail, and undelivered packages will be held at the Edgartown post office for pickup –after 4 pm the day of notice. The Edgartown post office window is open Monday-Friday 8:30 am-4:30 pm, and Saturday 10 am-1 pm.

The Edgartown Post Office will hold certified mail for 15 days, express mail for 5 days, and packages and letters for 15 days.

Mail can be forwarded for 6 months. You can extend the temporary forward at the end of 6 months. The total forwarding time cannot exceed 12 months. A premium forwarding service is also available, whereby your mail will be forwarded to you on a weekly basis. Your permanent address does not change and your temporary address is not provided to mailers. Visit www.usps.com for more details.

UPS The UPS service will deliver your packages to the shed to the left of the Chappy Store. Packages are generally returned after 21 days. There is limited space, so please pick up your items promptly. The shed is open Mon-Sat 8 a.m.-5 p.m., closed Sunday.

FEDEX delivers to your door or leaves a slip. The Mailroom at the Triangle will accept package drop-offs for UPS and FEDEX.

Medical

The Martha's Vineyard Hospital (508-693-0410) is located off Beach Road in Oak Bluffs. The Hospital's emergency room is open at all times and provides care to all persons, all ages, without regard to health insurance status. For emergencies call 911. For additional information check (www.mvhospital.com)

Island Health Care, located at 245 Edgartown-Vineyard Haven Road in the Stop & Shop Pharmacy building. The office is open Monday -Thursday from 8 am to 8 pm, and Friday - Saturday from 8am to 4pm. Closed daily 12-1p. Please call for an appointment at 508-939-9358. No walk-ins are accepted. www.ihimv.org

Vineyard Medical Care has a Walk-In Medical Center on 364 State Road, Vineyard Haven, (across from Cronigs) and is open from 8 am—4:30pm weekdays. Saturdays 8am-12noon July and August only. Call 508-693-4400 or go to www.vineyardmedicalcare.com for more information. On-site laboratory testing.

Newspapers

The Martha's Vineyard Times is delivered free to all Vineyard mailboxes every Thursday.

Noise and Non-Emergency Issues

Call the Dukes County Dispatch Number 508-693-1212 for noise complaints after 10 p.m. This number can be used for inquiries and to report other non-emergency issues such as menacing dogs, etc.

Norton Point Beach

Norton Point Beach, located west of Wasque, is managed by The Trustees of Reservations. See the Swimming section for additional data. More information can be obtained by contacting the Trustees at 508-627-3599. The Beach access hotline is 508-627-8390.

Parking at the Point

Pay attention to the signs or you risk a ticket.

Paved lot--4 hours parking. Unpaved lot--24 hours.

North side of road (outer harbor), to the east of the parking lot---parking is allowed along the road, but all 4 wheels must be off the pavement to avoid ticketing. This area is limited. Pay attention to the signs.

No parking is allowed on the south side (inner harbor) of the paved road between 7am and 7 pm. This is the extension of the ferry waiting line. Parking is allowed between 7 pm and 2 am but all 4 wheels must be off the pavement.

Parking is allowed on the south side (inner harbor) within the ferry line cut during the day to access the boat ramp. Two wheels may be on pavement, but two wheels must be on the sand. Please pay close attention to the signage posted in these areas.

Parking is allowed in the trolley lot at the triangle (near the Post Office) for up to 72 hours. If it is necessary to leave your car for a longer period, call the non-emergency police number (508-627-4343). The Police Department will normally grant any reasonable request. Any vehicle left in this lot over 72 hours without prior permission may be considered abandoned and towed.

Phone Service

The number for Verizon repairs and services is 800-837-4966. The number for Comcast repairs and services is 800-934-6489.

Verizon publishes an annual phone book delivered by mail. Additional Martha's Vineyard information is found in the green pages of the small phone book called the Island Book.

Public Access

Quammox Road and Wasque Road are public rights of way to the water. The Land Bank has acquired beach frontage and acreage at the end of Quammox, and has cleared a parking area and provided a turnaround for boat launching. Prams and small sailboats left on the Quammox beach need a permit from the Land Bank (508) 627-7141. There are also places to launch canoes, rowboats, and kayaks at Dike Bridge, Cove Meadow off Jeffers Lane, and the Gardner property at the Point. Any boat that is on a mooring or haul out is under the jurisdiction of the Harbormaster (508-627-4746).

Please note that beach property adjacent to the public access property is privately owned. Ownership rights in waterfront property extend to the mean low water mark. The public has the right to cross this land for fishing and fowling purposes when carrying the appropriate gear. This law is unique to MA and Maine.

Recycling Center and Refuse Transfer Center

The MV Refuse Disposal District is located at 750 Edgartown West Tisbury Rd., on the left hand side, before the airport, and after Barnes Road. The entrance is easy to miss. Residents may purchase books of 10 coupons for \$40. Each coupon is good for a 32 gallon bag or barrel. Charges for truckloads of trash and garbage are by weight. A \$20 recycling permit must be purchased with proof of residency. (There is a senior discount for residents.) A permit must be shown even for recycling which is otherwise free. Recyclables include: Plastic 1-7, glass, cans, bagged or tied newspapers, magazines, office paper and cardboard. The center is open every day except Monday. Hours are ordinarily 8 am to 3:30 pm, although the scale closes at 3 pm. However the center closes early on Sunday at 2 pm and the scale closes at 1:30 pm. (Tel. 508-627-4501).

Household hazardous waste disposal dates are on the third Saturday of May, July, September and November from 9 until noon. Water based paint is not accepted. When feasible, the CIA arranges for a Chappy pickup. Check the bulletin boards.

Septic Systems

A conventional septic system typically consists of the septic tank, a distribution box, and the soil absorption area (leach field or a leaching pit depending on the year built-Title V). The system must dispose of waste water and treat it so it's suitable to return to the ground. Do not place non-biodegradable objects, grease, or strong chemicals down your sink or toilet. Use low or no-phosphate dishwasher detergent. The septic tank should be inspected by a licensed professional and pumped out periodically. For additional information go to www.wampnrd.com/images/bluepages.pdf or <http://www.mass.gov> .

If you have trouble locating your septic system and your house was built after the mid-80's, the Board of Health (627-6120) may be able to assist you. When you sell your house, inspection of the septic system must be conducted as part of the purchase and sale agreement. All realtors are aware of this, and the Board of Health can advise you.

Shellfish License

Licenses and regulations are available at the Town Hall. Everyone who wants to gather shellfish must get a license. It is free for Edgartown residents 60 and older. A recreational or family permit for residents (immediate family and 2 guests) \$50/yr. Non-residents may buy annual permits for \$250. Non-

residents 60 and older may buy annual permits for \$125. A weekly permit for non-residents is available for \$50.

All family license holders must: have a permit, a shellfish measuring gauge, and picture identification in their possession while shellfishing. A family permit may not be used to fish more than once a week for any and all species of shellfish. A family permit holder may not take more than 1/2 bushel of any and all species of shellfish per week except for bay scallops. The bay scallop limit shall be no more than one struck level 10 gallon plastic wash bucket per week in season. Bay scalloping is not permitted for one day license holders.

Sheriff's Meadow Foundation A Martha's Vineyard nonprofit conservation group that owns land on Chappaquiddick as well as the rest of the Vineyard. Gifts to the Chappy Fund are administered by Sheriff's Meadow. For more information visit www.SheriffsMeadow.org.

Slip Away Farm

The Farm, across the street from the Community Center, has locally grown organic vegetables. The farm stand is open Friday – Sunday from 10 am-5pm through October. The Farm offers shares in a Community Supported Agriculture program. Please email them at slipawayfarm@gmail.com with any questions. More information can be found at www.facebook.com/slipawayfarm or www.slipawayfarm.com. Tel. No. 508-627-7465.

Speed Limit-- 25 MPH is the posted speed limit.

Swimming

Free swimming is available at the Point. Katama Bay has beaches for swimming that can be accessed by Wasque Avenue, Quammox, or by boat. East Beach, managed by the Trustees of Reservation, offers swimming for a fee. Generally East Beach (across from Dike Bridge) has gentle waves. Wasque, another property managed by the Trustees, is also open for swimming. No lifeguards are on duty, and swimmers must be cautious. Parents please watch your young children around the water!

Norton Point Beach (Atlantic coast beach starting at the eastern end of Katama Beach and ending at Chappy) also provides good swimming and is managed by the TTOR. To drive on Norton Point Beach, you must have a four wheel drive vehicle along with both a Chappy Over sand Vehicle Permit and a Norton Point Beach Vehicle permit. Fifteen lbs. is the required tire pressure for over sand vehicles. There are air pumps at MyToi. Check the Beach Access hotline 508-627-8390 for possible restrictions. Visitors must depart the property by 10pm unless they are actively fishing.

If you are caught in a rip current, and are being pulled out to sea, do not panic and do not swim against the current. Rather, swim parallel to the shore until you are out of the current. Rip currents are rarely more than thirty feet wide. For beach emergencies call 911 from a landline, or 508-693-1212 from a cell phone. The TTOR beaches are generally patrolled throughout the day until midnight.

Ticks

Both deer and dog ticks are a menace. Useful information is available at the Community Center, as well as at the Chamber of Commerce at 5 Corners in Vineyard Haven, across from the Post Office. The MV Hospital Emergency Room is very attentive to tick bites. Further information can be found at www.mvboh.org.

Town Officials

Edgartown (www.edgartown-ma.us) is served by many dedicated civil servants:

The Board of Selectmen:	Michael Donaroma, Margaret Serpa, and Arthur Smadbeck
Town Administrator:	Pam Dolby (508-627-6180)
Police Chief:	David Rossi (508-627-4343)
Fire Chief:	Peter Shemeth (508-627-5167)
Harbor Master:	Charles Blair, Jr. (508-627-4746)

Trails

Chappaquiddick is blessed with miles of beautiful hiking trails. Trail maps are available from the various land conservation organizations, i.e., the Land Bank www.mvlandbank.com, www.sheriffsmeadow.org, and www.ttor.org

Transit Authority

Schedules and route information are available at the Edgartown Visitor Center and Post Office on Church Street or at www.vineyardtransit.com. Buses do not have cash. Exact fare is strongly suggested on buses. Most buses originate at Church Street except for #11, which is free and runs between the Triangle and the bench at Mayhew Lane. Travel within Edgartown on other buses as far as the triangle is also free.

One way fares are \$1.25 per town including the town of departure. 1-day, 3-day, 7-day, and 31-day passes can be purchased on the bus, or the Steamship Authority Terminals. 31-day and annual passes can be purchased at the Edgartown Visitor Center, or the VTA operations center in the Airport Business Park.

Persons with disabilities and senior citizens (65+) receive a substantial discount on all tickets. Annual passes are available for Island seniors for \$30 if purchased through the Councils on Aging. Island students (age 7-17) may purchase annual passes for \$40 at their schools. Children (age 6 and under) ride free when accompanied by an adult. Non-island senior and youth passes are \$65.

Trustees of Reservations

The Trustees of Reservations is a non-profit Massachusetts conservation organization that owns Mytoi, a Japanese-style garden in an open pine forest, and most of Wasque, Cape Pogue, and East Beach. Membership in The Trustees allows access to all their properties in Massachusetts. Nonmembers pay admission fees to the beaches.

Chris Kennedy is the superintendent of The Trustees' Martha's Vineyard properties. Mr. Kennedy lives on Chappy and can be reached at 508-627-7689. Chris Bruno is the

Assistant Superintendent and he also lives on Chappy and can be reached at 508-627-1380. The Mytoi Gate House at 508-627-3599 can be contacted for tours and other information. The Trustees have a Facebook page (www.facebook.com/trusteesmv.) which specifically contains information about Vineyard properties and events. The beach access hotline is 508-627-8390. Their website is www.ttor.org.

The public is reminded that the beaches are here for your fun and enjoyment, but, we must share the beach with others. Nesting shorebirds and their chicks are protected by state and federal law. Please keep your dogs on a leash at all times and observe all shorebird signs. Consumption of alcohol must be in moderation or the Rangers will ask you to leave. Likewise, please carry out all of your trash. Buried sandwiches and food are eagerly dug up after dark by skunks, which are known to prey on shorebird eggs—let's not give them a reason to hang around the beach. Please do not dig holes in the beach. These holes can be dangerous suffocation traps for children and inattentive adults should the hole cave in around them. If you dig a hole, PLEASE fill it in fully before you leave. Visitors must depart the property by 10pm unless they are actively fishing.

Over-sand car travel requires an over-sand permit year round. Fifteen lbs. is the tire pressure required for over sand vehicles. There are air pumps at Mytoi. Finally, please keep in mind that these remote beaches are a treasure for all of us—let's be kind, courteous and respectful of the land and our neighbors.

Walk

Walk single file, against the traffic, stay to the side of the road, and be alert.

Water

All homes on Chappy have well water that essentially comes from one underground aquifer. Conservation benefits everyone on Chappy. In dry periods we should be especially careful to conserve water. Edgartown restricts the application of lawn fertilizer. Detailed information can be found at www.MVBOH.org. The Wampanoag Tribe Water Testing Laboratory provides comprehensive testing of water samples. Bottles for testing can be obtained from the Edgartown Board of Health. The Edgartown Board of Health will assist you with collecting your water sample and transporting it to a laboratory. Please contact the Board of Health at 508-627-6120.

Weather Related Emergencies

Summer and winter storms can cause occasional and periodic power outages on Chappaquiddick. Every household should have emergency supplies which include candles or battery operated lights, a battery operated radio, emergency water supply for drinking and toilets, camping stove or grill (do not use on a wood deck or inside the house) if the house does not have an emergency generator.

For communication, it's a good idea to have an older model telephone which plugs into the telephone jack only, and does not depend on an electrical outlet. If the power remains off for an extended period of time, cell phones will need a car charger. For emergency, call 911 from your land line, or 508-693-1212 from your cell phone. The

Chappy Fire Station now has an emergency call box outside the station. Open it up and push the button.

Potable water is available from the pump at the Chappy Fire Station. A bathtub filled with water before a storm will provide a good supply to refill toilet tanks. Helpful websites include www.redcross.org and www.nhc.noaa.gov.

Homeowners should log onto the Edgartown website and register for the county emergency notification system (Code Red). This notification system extends to landlines, cell phones, and emails. The Town also publishes a booklet, "Edgartown Emergency Preparedness", that can be downloaded from www.edgartownfiredepartment.com/edgartown_emergency_preparedness_guide.pdf

At this time Edgartown continues to maintain a texting emergency notification system. Text the word "Chappy" to 99000.

Websites & Webcams

The following is a list of useful websites:

CCC	www.chappycommunitycenter.org
CIA	www.chappaquiddickislandassociation.org
Chappy Ferry	www.chappyferry.com
Edgartown Fire Dept.	www.edgartownfiredepartment.com
Emergency guide	http://www.edgartownfiredepartment.com/Edgartown_Emergency_Preparedness_Guide.pdf
Edgartown Harbormaster	www.edgartownharbor.com
Edgartown Police	www.edgartownpolice.org
Edgartown landfill	www.mvrefusedistrict.com
Edgartown Library	www.edgartownlibrary.org

Web cams can be viewed at: www.mvtimes.com (Vineyard Haven harbor, and Beach Road); www.chappyferry.com, and www.mvwifi.com (the Chappy ferry line and Simpson's Lane).

WiFi

Free WiFi service is available at the CCC, and at the Edgartown Library. Comcast, Verizon, and Chappy Wisp are paid subscription services.

Winching

If your tire pressure is more than 15psi, you WILL get stuck. Therefore it is imperative that you lower your tire pressure and preserve our beaches. For help when stuck in the sand on Cape Pogue, Wasque, or Norton Point, during daytime (8am-4:30pm) call the Mytoi Gate House (508-627-3599). For help after hours, call the Dukes County Communications Center at 508-693-1212 on your cell phone. You must have a valid Chappy Over-sand Vehicle permit to receive complimentary beach vehicle service by the Trustees. The beaches are generally patrolled throughout the day until midnight. Visitors must depart the property by 10pm unless they are actively fishing.

The Insider's Guide is a work-in-progress by the C.I.A. Welcoming Committee. For any questions or suggestions, please call any member of the committee: Ann Brine (508-627-8065), Dorothy Dropick (508-627-5705), or Cornelia Hurst (508-627-4774).

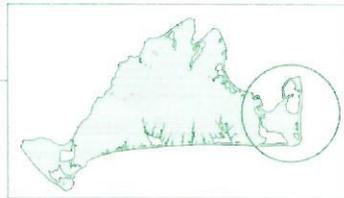
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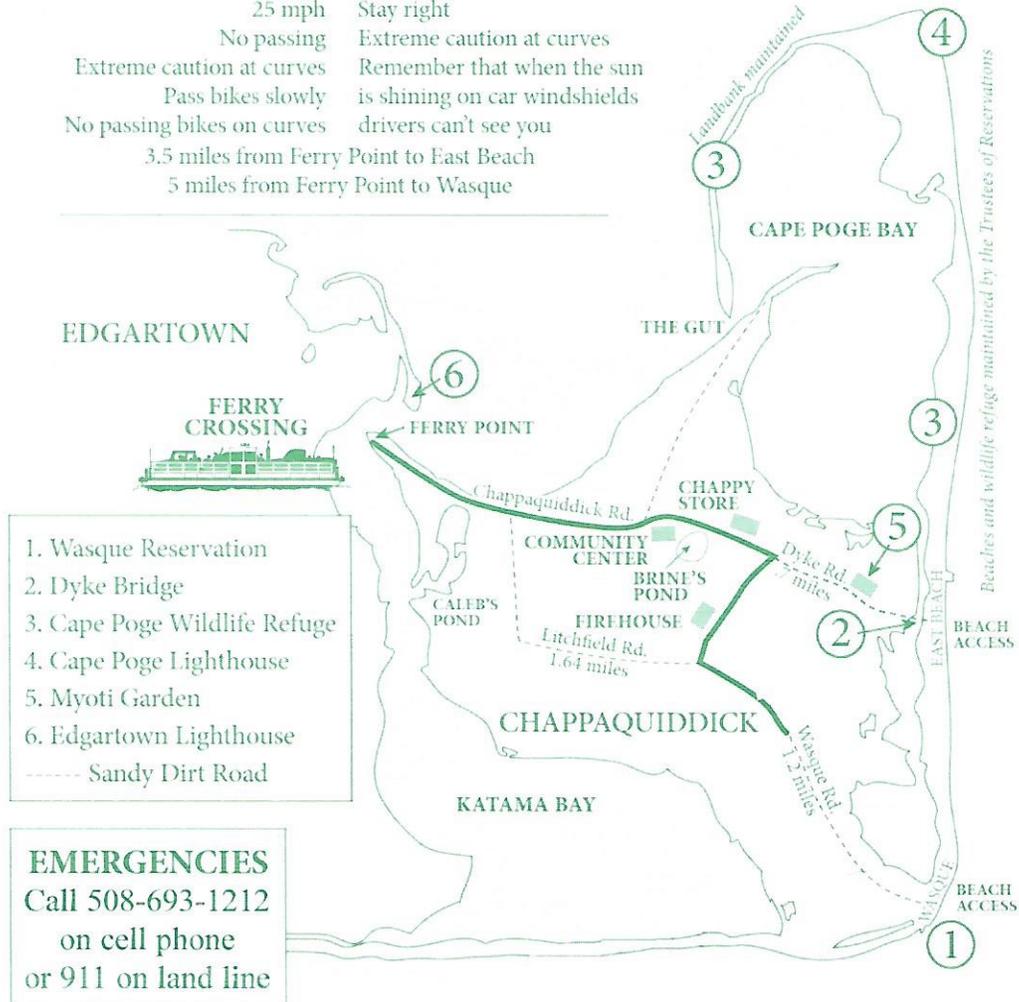


WINTER SCHEDULE	SUMMER SCHEDULE
6:45 AM - 8:00 PM	6:45 AM - MIDNIGHT
9:00 PM - 10:00 PM	Memorial Day
11:00 PM - 11:15 PM	thru Derby

ON THE FERRY: Engine off / in park
SET BRAKE
 Passengers sit down / hold on



CARS	BIKES
25 mph	Stay right
No passing	Extreme caution at curves
Extreme caution at curves	Remember that when the sun is shining on car windshields drivers can't see you
Pass bikes slowly	
No passing bikes on curves	
3.5 miles from Ferry Point to East Beach	
5 miles from Ferry Point to Wasque	



1. Wasque Reservation
2. Dyke Bridge
3. Cape Poge Wildlife Refuge
4. Cape Poge Lighthouse
5. Myoti Garden
6. Edgartown Lighthouse
- Sandy Dirt Road

EMERGENCIES
 Call 508-693-1212
 on cell phone
 or 911 on land line

Beaches and wildlife refuge maintained by the Trustees of Reservations