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Town of Freetown

RESIDENT PRIVILEGES STICKERS POLICY & PROCEDURE

1.00 Purpose

These procedures are established by the Board of Selectmen for the issuance, suspension, or revocation of resident privileges stickers to Freetown residents. Stickers are only available for residents of the Town of Freetown.

2.00 Effective Date

The effective date of these policies and procedures shall be: February 7, 2023.

3.00 Access to Facilities

<u>Resident Transfer Station/Beach Sticker.</u> A resident transfer station/beach sticker will grant the lawful holder, in accordance with all applicable hours of operation, laws, rules and regulations, the following privileges:

- To enter the transfer station to dispose of approved items.
- To park the designated motor vehicle at the Town Beach at Long Pond between Memorial and Labor Day.

Non-resident Sticker. Non-Resident stickers will no longer be issued.

4.00 Sticker Description

The resident sticker shall be of a description determined by the Board of Selectmen and include the make and registration plate number of the vehicle to which the sticker is to be assigned.

5.00 Issuance

The Board of Selectmen shall designate the hours, locations, and officials responsible for the issuance of stickers and record keeping.

Location and officials may include:

Transfer Station

6.00 Expiration

- Transfer Station/Beach Stickers expire on December 31st of each year.
- Beach use is only valid Memorial Day Labor Day.

7.00 Cost of Stickers

 Two Transfer Station/Beach Stickers are provided to each household free of charge as approved at the 6/6/22 Town Meeting.

8.00 Application

Resident Sticker. To be issued a resident sticker, a Freetown resident shall provide the following:

1. Registration.

A valid Massachusetts automobile registration showing the vehicle registered and principally garaged in the resident's name at the resident's current Freetown address. If the vehicle (no larger than a pickup truck) is registered to a business, the Freetown resident must include a business card with his/her name and the name of the business to which the vehicle is registered or a letter on company letterhead authorizing the resident's personal use, connecting the resident to the business and the vehicle; and

2. Proof of residency.

One of the following proofs of residency bearing the resident's name and Freetown address. It must be current (postmarked within past 30 days). Bills must have the same name as the vehicle registration.

- Gas, Electric or Telephone Bill
- Cable Television Bill
- Monthly Bank Statement (excluding mortgage)
- Credit Card Bill
- Water Bill
- Signed apartment/dwelling lease

Note: In the case of a sticker issued to a business vehicle (no larger than a pick-up truck), the transfer station will only accept personal (no commercial items) items that are from the Freetown resident's home.

9.00 Sticker Placement

Unless otherwise determined by the Board of Selectmen, the sticker, using its adhesive side, **must be** permanently affixed to the large rear window on the driver's side of the vehicle to which the sticker has been assigned.

10.00 Non-Transferable

Stickers are non-transferable and must be permanently affixed to the vehicle that the sticker was issued to.

11.00 Suspension or Revocation of Privilege

At all times the sticker remains the property of the Town of Freetown. The resident to whom the sticker has been issued has purchased a use privilege, not the sticker, and agrees that the sticker (privileges) may be removed or confiscated if it is misused.

Police Officer or other person designated by the Board of Selectmen may remove or confiscate a sticker for misuse.

The sticker holder agrees that the Board of Selectmen, or its designee, may suspend or revoke the sticker (privileges) for a violation of law or any rule or regulation by the permit holder or any party transported in a vehicle operated or owned by the holder.

The following shall be considered a misuse of stickers:

- 1. Sticker registration number does not match the registration number of the vehicle to which it is attached.
- 2. Sticker is not permanently affixed to the vehicle.
- 3. Sticker has been altered, defaced, copied or made unreadable.

12.00 Appeals

Any person who has been denied a sticker may file an appeal. Any sticker holder may appeal the removal, confiscation, suspension, or revocation of the sticker. All appeals shall be made in writing to the Board of Selectmen within ten calendar days following said denial, removal, confiscation, suspension, or revocation.

Approved by the Board of Selectmen on this 6th day of February 2023.

Trevor R. Matthews, Chairman

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The following is for webpage publication and brochure distribution.

OBTAINING BEACH OR TRANFER STATION PRIVILEGES STICKERS

Do I need a sticker?

If you are a Freetown resident, you will need a resident sticker if you intend to:

- Park at the Town Beach at Long Pond
- Use the Transfer Station at Howland Road

Where do I go to obtain a sticker?

You may, during business hours, obtain a sticker at:

Transfer Station

What do I need to bring?

1. Registration.

A valid Massachusetts automobile registration showing your car registered and principally garaged in your name from your current Freetown address. If your vehicle is registered to a business, you must include a business card with your name and the name of the business to which the vehicle is registered or a letter on company letterhead authorizing your personal use, connecting you to the business and the vehicle; and

Proof of residency.

One of the following proofs of residency bearing your name and Freetown address. It must be current (postmarked within past 30 days). Bills must have the same name as the vehicle registration.

- Gas, Electric or Telephone Bill
- Cable Television Bill
- Monthly Bank Statement (excluding mortgage)
- Credit Card Bill
- Water Bill
- Signed apartment/dwelling lease

What is the cost of the resident sticker?

- Two Transfer Station/Beach Stickers per household were approved to be provided at no cost to each Freetown household at the 6/6/22 Town Meeting.
- An additional sticker for either location is \$10.00. Please note the sticker is tied to the vehicle and cannot be shared between vehicles.

When does a sticker expire?

- Transfer Station/Beach sticker expires on December 31st of each year.
- Town Beach Sticker is only valid Memorial Day to Labor Day yearly.

Where on my vehicle do I place the sticker?

The sticker has an adhesive side. Using the adhesive, the sticker **must be** permanently affixed to the large rear window on the driver's side of the vehicle.

May I transfer the sticker to another person or vehicle?

No, stickers are non-transferable and must be permanently affixed to the vehicle that the sticker was issued to.

Can the sticker and privileges be suspended or revoked?

Yes. At all times the sticker remains the property of the Town of Freetown. The person to whom the sticker has been issued has purchased a use privilege, not the sticker, and agrees that the sticker (privilege) may be removed or confiscated if it is misused. The sticker holder agrees that the Board of Selectmen, or its designee, may suspend or revoke the sticker privileges for a violation of law or any rule or regulation by the permit holder or any party transported in a vehicle operated or owned by the holder.

The following shall be considered a misuse of stickers:

- 1. Sticker registration number does not match the registration number of the vehicle to which it is attached.
- 2. Sticker is not permanently affixed to the vehicle.
- 3. Sticker has been altered, defaced, copied or made unreadable.

Can I appeal the denial, confiscation, or suspension of a sticker?

Yes. You must make a written appeal to the Board of Selectmen within ten calendar days following the denial, removal, confiscation, suspension, or revocation.