

# Cabana Policy

## TOWN COUNCIL POLICY REGARDING LEASING OF CABANAS AND CHANGING ROOMS AT THE NARRAGANSETT TOWN BEACH

The intent of this policy is to provide a preference to Town residents and taxpayers with respect to the rental of Cabanas and North Pavilion Changing Rooms. It is further the intent of this policy to cease the practice of placing multiple names on lease agreements to preserve the lessees' rights to pass on or assign the right to lease a Cabana or North Pavilion Changing Room.

Effective as of January 1, 2006, all Cabanas and Changing Rooms at the North Beach facility shall be leased only to full-time Narragansett residents or property owners paying real estate taxes of \$800 per year or more. All lessees must be at least 21 years of age.

For the purposes of this policy a full-time resident shall be defined as a person who is living in Narragansett year-round, with a 12-month lease and no present intention to move. Proof of residency may be established with a Rhode Island driver's license containing a Narragansett address, registration to vote in Narragansett, and proof that all motor vehicles owned by the resident are registered in the State of Rhode Island with a Narragansett address or other similar information satisfactory to the Town.

The right to lease Cabanas and North Pavilion Changing Rooms cannot be passed on to or assigned except as provided for herein. Effective as of December 2, 2024, no rental agreement shall have more than one name on it (Principal Lessee), which must meet the criteria to rent a Cabana or Changing Room. Any rental agreement in effect, containing a Principal Lessee #1 and a Principal Lessee #2 shall, upon its renewal in 2025, be modified and amended to only contain one of these names as the lessee. The lessee must meet the age requirement and the residency or taxpayer requirements. When the remaining lessee passes away, ceases to have an interest in renting the Cabana or North Pavilion Changing Room, or no longer meets residency requirements, the Town shall offer the Cabana or Changing Room to the first person on the appropriate waiting list.

Effective as of December 2, 2024, **all new rental agreements** shall contain one name as lessee on the agreement. This individual must meet the age requirement and be a resident of Narragansett or own property and pay real estate property taxes of at least \$or 800.00 more to the Town of Narragansett. If the named lessee no longer meets the stated qualifications, their right to continue leasing will be revoked.

Also, effective as of December 2, 2024, all new rental agreements will be for a maximum period of 5-years. At the end of the 5-year period the lessees name may be added again to the waitlist. All residents/taxpayers who have leased a facility in 2024 and prior will continue to renew their lease until such time as they relinquish their facility. Should a current lessee change facilities, from a South Pavilion Locker to a North Pavilion Changing Room for example, the new lease will be in effect for a maximum of 5 years.

The Parks and Recreation Department shall maintain a waiting list for Cabanas, North Pavilion Changing Rooms South Pavilion Lockers. All existing applications on file shall remain on file, containing only one name. The individual named must be a resident of Narragansett or own property and pay real estate property taxes of at least \$800.00 or more to the Town of Narragansett.

The waiting list shall be made available in the Town Clerk's office for public inspection and shall be updated quarterly and posted on the Town of Narragansett website by the Parks and Recreation Department. Annually the Parks and Recreation Department shall be required to verify that all lessees of Cabanas, North Pavilion Changing Rooms and South Pavilion Lockers meet the qualifications contained herein and, in addition, shall be required to verify that the top ten positions on each waiting list be verified to ensure that the individuals meet the qualifications contained herein.

### **Definition of Key Terms**

**Principal Lessee** - The person who leases the facility for the summer season is responsible for all payment due for the facility.

**Pass Holder** - The person whom the principal lessees has provided a facility pass to for the summer season. These passes are non-transferable.

**Adult** - Any person 18 years of age or older.

**Youth** - Any person 12-17 years of age.

**Seniors** - Any person 62 or older.

### **Cabana Lot**

Only vehicles listed on the Principal Lessee's Application and in possession of a Cabana hangtag will be allowed access. The green hangtag is the only hangtag allowed in the numbered parking space for the unit. The additional transferable white hangtag is only allowed in the unnumbered parking spaces. Parking for the 2nd pass, the white color transferable pass is available on a first-come, first-served basis.

### **Cabana Admissions Policy**

Entrance into the Cabana area will only be permitted with an individual facility pass. Without the individual facility pass, a daily admission fee will be charged to the individual.

- For security purposes facility holders are asked to keep their units locked when they are not in the immediate area and to secure their unit before leaving for the day.
- Facility passes transferred to an unregistered individual or used in any fraudulent manner will be confiscated and not replaced.
- The misuse of facility passes may impact the eligibility of the principal lessee to renew in future years.

- Children under the age of twelve must be accompanied by an adult.

### **Cabana Rate and Pass Holders Policy**

- Cabana rental rate: \$3,000.00.
- The Principal Lessee receives a photo ID facility pass.
- Five facility passes are for guests of the Principal Lessee.
- These guests may be Narragansett residents or nonresidents.
- All information on facility pass holders must be clearly stated on the application.
- You are allowed to switch out TWO photo ID facility passes for two transferable passes.
- Lost or stolen photo ID facility passes may be replaced for a \$50 fee.
- Lost or stolen Cabana transferable passes may be replaced for \$100 fee.

### **Cabana Parking Policy**

- Upon entrance into the lot, all patrons in the vehicle must be in possession of their facility cards or be assessed a \$12 admission fee.
- Upon entering the lot, attendants will be asking for cards for all guests in the vehicle.

### **Transferable Hangtag Parking Policy**

- Each facility will be issued two (2) transferable hangtags.
- The Cabana Lot will be restricted to vehicles with Cabana hangtags, limited staff/concessions parking, and special event parking designated by the Town for a town-sponsored event.
- One (1) green color transferable hangtag will be designated for the assigned, numbered space for the unit.
- One (1) white color transferable hangtag can be used in any of the non-numbered spaces on an availability basis.
- Each transferable hangtag must always be displayed on the rear-view mirror of the vehicle.
- The green transferable hangtag is the only pass allowed in the Principal Lessee assigned, numbered spot.
- When the spaces in the Cabana Lot are all filled the transferable hangtags will be honored in the North or South Lot on an availability basis.
- Lost or stolen hangtags may be replaced for a \$100 fee.

- Once again, the white color guest hangtag is NOT allowed in the numbered Principal Lessee assigned spot.
- A Cabana holder using the Cabana Lot with a handicap placard must display both hangtags from the rear-view mirror. NO exceptions.

### **Cabana Parking for Special Events**

- Cabana Lessees will not be allowed to enter or park their vehicles in the Cabana Lot after 4 pm.
- Cabana Lessees wishing to stay at the beach for these events must move their vehicles at 4 pm to the northern portion of the Cabana Lot. Parking will not be allowed in the southern portion of the lot.
- Parking will be on a first-come, first-served basis for available spots.
- Additional parking is permitted in the other lots on a first-come, first-served basis and the hangtags will be accepted.