



# OCEAN CITY BEACH PATROL

## WEEKLY BULLETIN


**Week of Monday, June 24, 2024 - Monday, July 1, 2024**

**Monday, June 24, 2024**

**WEEKLY MEETING:** CONVENTION CENTER – 40th STREET-Southwest corner on steps  
**CREW CHIEF MEETING WITH AREA SERGEANTS:** 08:00hrs  
**FULL CREW CHIEF MEETING:** 08:15hrs  
**SEMAPHORE TEST:** 08:15hrs- REQUIRED TO PASS PROBATIONARY STAGE  
**CREW MEETING:** 08:30hrs (Turn in individual stats, get schedule, and assignments, and important information from Crew Chief)  
**OFFICERS' MEETING:** 08:30hrs  
**USLA ANNOUNCEMENTS:** 08:45hrs  
**GENERAL MEETING:** 08:50hrs - Baptist Church providing breakfast. Jolyn representative attending mtg for purchase of suits.  
**LIEUTENANTS' MEETING:** 09:45hrs

**OCBPSRA Certification:** None  
**Work-out:** Run Day - Crew Chief determines specific workouts  
**Surfing Beaches:** Inlet OPEN / 62nd Street / 142nd Street  
**Tides:** High: 9:59:00 AM  
 Low: 3:57:00 PM  
**Special Events:** None  
**Beach Weddings:** 58<sup>th</sup> St.-1800hrs  
**Beach Bonfires:** 30<sup>th</sup>, 100<sup>th</sup>

**Please Note!**



**Completed stats are due each Monday by 18:00hrs**  
**Crew member names for the new week are due by Tuesday 18:00hrs**


SRT Name	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN	Crew #
	6/24/2024	6/25/2024	6/26/2024	6/27/2024	6/28/2024	6/29/2024	6/30/2024	
Daily Assignment								<b>Totals</b>
Rescues								
Preventative Actions								
First Aids								

**Tuesday, June 25, 2024 – OIC Lt. Stone**


**OCBPSRA Certification:** 8:00 Veteran Re-Certification - Inlet, Assistant Crew Chiefs Re-Certification  
**Work-out:** Swim Day - Crew Chief determines specific workouts  
**Surfing Beaches:** Inlet OPEN / 60th Street / 140th Street  
**Tides:** High: 10:49:00 AM  
 Low: 4:50:00 PM  
**Special Events:** Floor Hockey-Northside Park-1900hrs  
**Beach Weddings:** None  
**Beach Bonfires:** 38<sup>th</sup>, 76<sup>th</sup>, 86<sup>th</sup>, 87<sup>th</sup>, 126<sup>th</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup>, 110<sup>th</sup>

**OCBP Floor Hockey!**  
 6/25, 7/2, 7/16, 7/23, 7/30, 8/6, 8/13  
**Northside Park- 19:00hrs -No Cost to play!**

*Wear Your Athletic Shoes.  
No Blades*



Contact Sgt. Weingard for details.


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**Wednesday, June 26, 2024**

**OCBPSRA Certification: Veteran Re-Certification – Inlet – 1000hrs**

**Work-out:** Run Day - Crew Chief determines specific workouts

**Surfing Beaches:** Inlet OPEN / 58th Street / 138th Street

**Tides:** High: 11:41:00 AM  
Low: 5:48:00 PM

**Special Events: Beach Patrol 5k Run -1800hrs-8<sup>th</sup> Street,**

Scamper Camp 9:30–11:30 and Camp Horizon 1130-1530hrs, International Student Welcome-Residence Inn-1200-1400hrs, Movies on the Beach-Carousel Hotel-Encanto-2030hrs

**Beach Weddings:** None

**Beach Bonfires:** 94<sup>th</sup>, 110<sup>th</sup>, 136<sup>th</sup>



**Thursday, June 27, 2024**

**OCBPSRA Certification: Rookie Graduation - 07:30hrs-Inlet Beach,**

Instructor Report Time (training room) 0700hrs. **Veteran Re-Certification – Inlet – 1000hrs**

**Work-out:** Swim Day - Crew Chief determines specific workouts

**Surfing Beaches:** Inlet OPEN / 56th Street / 136th Street

**Tides:** High: 12:37:00 PM  
Low: 6:49:00 PM

**Special Events:** Twisters, Campoolooza- Outreach-1000-1600hrs-N Division St  
Fitness Thursdays 0800-130<sup>th</sup> St

**Beach Weddings:** 1700hrs-58<sup>th</sup> St., 1800hrs-59<sup>th</sup> St.

**Beach Bonfires:** 48<sup>th</sup>, 107<sup>th</sup>, 138<sup>th</sup>



**Rookie Graduation**



Fitness Thursdays  
0800 – 130<sup>th</sup> Street  
See Sgt Falcon for info

**Friday, June 28, 2024**

**OCBPSRA Certification: Veteran Re-Certification – Inlet – 1000hrs**

**Work-out:** Run Day - Crew Chief determines specific workouts

**Surfing Beaches:** Inlet OPEN / 54th Street / 134th Street

**Tides:** High: 1:36:00 PM  
Low: 7:27:00 AM

**Special Events:** Fitness Fridays 0800-27<sup>th</sup> St. Please wear your BP issued suits!!!!

**Beach Weddings:** None

**Beach Bonfires:** 64<sup>th</sup>



Fitness Fridays  
0800 - 27<sup>th</sup> Street  
See Sgt Wagner for info

**Saturday, June 29, 2024**

**OCBPSRA Certification: Veteran Re-Certification – Inlet 1000hrs SRA I - Supper Seminar - 18:30hrs**

**Work-out:** Swim Day - Crew Chief determines specific workouts

**Surfing Beaches:** Inlet CLOSED / 52nd Street / 132nd Street

**Tides:** High: 2:38:00 PM  
Low: 8:18:00 AM

**Special Events:** ESA Summer Surf Series-TBD

**Beach Weddings:** None

**Beach Bonfires:** 30<sup>th</sup>, 42<sup>nd</sup>, 57<sup>th</sup>, 69<sup>th</sup>, 71<sup>st</sup>, 94<sup>th</sup>, 98<sup>th</sup>, 109<sup>th</sup>, 110<sup>th</sup>, 115<sup>th</sup>, 119<sup>th</sup>, 121<sup>st</sup>, 142<sup>nd</sup>, 146<sup>th</sup>

## Sunday, June 30, 2024

### **OCBPSRA Certification:**

**Work-out:** Run Day - Crew Chief determines specific workouts

**Surfing Beaches:** Inlet CLOSED / 50th Street / 130th Street

**Tides:** High: 3:40:00 PM

Low: 9:11:00 AM

**Special Events:** ESA Summer Surf Series-TBD

**Beach Weddings:** None

**Beach Bonfires:** 51<sup>st</sup>, 67<sup>th</sup>, 107<sup>th</sup>, 111<sup>th</sup>



## Monday, July 1, 2024

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### **OCBPSRA Certification:**

**Work-out:** Swim Day - Crew Chief determines specific workouts

**Surfing Beaches:** Inlet OPEN / 48th Street / 128th Street

**Tides:** High: 4:39:00 PM

Low: 10:05:00 AM

**Special Events:** None

**Beach Weddings:** None

**Beach Bonfires:** 47<sup>th</sup>, 64<sup>th</sup>, 90<sup>th</sup>, 91<sup>st</sup>, 109<sup>th</sup>, 120<sup>th</sup>, 141<sup>st</sup>, 142<sup>nd</sup>

### The Annual Captain Craig One Mile Swim

Online registration is now open  
for the Captain Craig Swim to take place  
on Saturday, July 13, 2024

For access, go to the Competitions page of the  
Beach Patrol Home Page on the Town of OC  
website.

Register and pay on-line to take advantage of  
the reduced \$30.00 fee.

\$40.00 if paid in person at event

It's as easy as that!



Meeting the time requirement of the  
Mile Swim counts towards  
OCBPSRA Certification.

### Veteran Re-Qualification and Re-Certification Inlet Lot Parking Validation Process

Give yourself plenty of time to enter the required information (you must know your exact License Plate information) into the Pay by Plate Kiosk and to be on the inlet beach and ready for the start of your activity.

- The town has provided a bypass code that will allow you to park in the inlet lot when there is a scheduled activity that you are participating in. This code is only for use during these scheduled activities at a specific date and Time. Attempting to use the code at another time will result in you being billed by the Town. The code for your event will be sent to you by E-mail and text prior to your event.
- If you have "Pay By Plate" authorization for the Inlet parking lot, you do not need to use the code (not street parking).
- Go to a Kiosk-hit the yellow button-put your tag number in, then the provided validation code for that day and activity.
- Make sure that you ask for the printed receipt which you need to keep.
- That receipt-will be needed to void any ticket that you *might* get.



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## UPCOMING 2024 BEACH PATROL EVENTS

June 24	Weekly Meeting - Convention Center- 08:00hrs General Meeting 08:30hrs
June 25	ACC Re-Cert - 08:00hrs-Inlet Beach
June 25	Floor Hockey-1930-Northside Park
June 26-29	Veteran Recertification – 10:00hrs-Inlet Beach
June 26	Beach Patrol 5k Run – 1800hrs-8 <sup>th</sup> Street
June 27	Rookie Graduation - 07:30hrs-Inlet Beach
June 29	SRA I - Supper Seminar - 18:30hrs-Training Room
July 1	Weekly Meeting - Convention Center- 08:00hrs General Meeting 0830hrs
July 2	Floor Hockey-1930-Northside Park
July 2-3	Veteran Recertification – 10:00hrs-Inlet Beach
<b>July 5</b>	<b>Pay Day</b>
July 5-6	Veteran Recertification – 10:00hrs-Inlet Beach
July 8	Weekly Meeting - Convention Center- 08:00hrs General Meeting 08:30hrs
July 9-12	OCBPSRA Round Two of Basic and Advanced Certification - 0800-70 <sup>th</sup> Street
July 13	Annual Patrol Pictures - 07:30 - Location: TBD
July 13	Veteran Recertification – 10:00-Inlet Beach
July 13	Captain Craig Swim- 18:00hrs-14 <sup>th</sup> Street
July 15	Weekly Meeting - Convention Center- 08:00hrs General Meeting 08:30hrs
July 16	Floor Hockey-1930-Northside Park
<b>July 19</b>	<b>Pay Day</b>
Aug3	Crew Comps-1800hrs-Caroline St.

### Upcoming Town of Ocean City Special Events

Beach Bum Bash	June 24	0730-1700hrs	1 <sup>st</sup> - 3 <sup>rd</sup> Street
ESA Summer Surf Series	June 29 or 30	0800hrs	Location TBD
ESA Summer Surf Series	July 13-14	0800hrs	Location TBD

## **2024 USLA/OCBP COMPETITION SCHEDULE**

### JUNE

June 24 – Sea Colony  
June 27 - Middlesex

### JULY

July 2 - DE State Parks  
July 10 - USLA Mid Atlantic Regionals  
July 12 - Sea Colony Jr Lifeguards  
July 15 - Dewey  
July 17 -Mid Atlantic Regionals-Crafts-NJ  
July 18 - North Shores  
July22 - Bethany Beach  
July 23 - USLA Mid Atlantic JR Regionals-NJ  
July 25 - Rehoboth Beach Lifeguard Olympics  
July 29 - Rehoboth Beach JR Lifeguards



### AUGUST

Aug 1-Middlesex  
Aug 6-USLA Jr/U19 Nationals  
S. Padre Island, TX  
Aug 7-9-USLA Nationals  
S. Padre Island, TX

<u>Stats.</u>	<u>Week 4</u> 6/10/24 to 6/16/24	<u>Week 4</u> 6/12/23 to 6/18/23	<u>Week 4</u> 6/13/22 to 6/19/22
<b>Action</b>			
Preventions	10436	4244	6595
Rescues	39	53	125
Minor First Aid	63	53	100
EMS	5	8	5
Police Calls	4	2	1
USCG/MDNRP	0	0	0
Lost/Found Persons	2	22	11
N. Surf Beach Population	1	11	29
S. Surf Beach Population	101	103	188
Inlet Surf Beach Population	13	9	17
Beach Wheelchair Usage	26	18	11

## **CONGRATS TO OCBP!!!!**

Congrats to all the men and women who participated in OC Ocean Series on June 17<sup>th</sup>. OCBP took 2<sup>nd</sup> place overall in the competition!



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### SRT II Basic (round 2)

#### **MUST BE OFF PROBATION**

\*\* All events will be held at 70<sup>th</sup> St. and the Beach beginning at 08:00 \*\*

- July 9 ... Fins & Landline
- July 10 ... Rescue Board
- July 11 ... One Mile Swim
- July 12 ... One Mile Run

Other Requirements: 100 days worked after probation, NIMS IS-100, IS-200, IS-700, & IS-800

### SRT III Advanced (round 2)

\*\* All events (except quad cert) will be held at 70<sup>th</sup> St. and the Beach beginning at 08:00 \*\*

- June 29 ... Rookie Graduation (Inlet 07:15)
- July 9 ... Run/Swim/Run & Evaluating Personnel
- July 10 ... 200 M Sprint & Operational Management
- July 11 ... Quad Recert Only (18:00 66<sup>th</sup> St. & Beach)
- July 12 ... Two Mile Run & Managing Personnel

Other Requirements: 200 days worked after probation, Assist with Rookie Graduation, Communications Training (set up w/ Lt. Stone), Successful ACC Appointment

#### **\*\*OCBP PERK ALERT\*\***

- Kirby's Pub is offering their wing special to guards. Every Tuesday Night. Ten Wings for \$10



- Pizza Tugos-Starting Saturday June 29th. \$1 slices of cheese pizza. There will be doormen delineating those of age and those under age, but all ages welcome. Drink Specials for those of age. 6pm until midnight. Every Saturday. Live music 7-10



#### **\*\*OCBP PERK ALERT\*\***

The Fire Marshal's office is allowing me to provide Beach Patrol employees with a validation code that will allow you to request a Bon Fire permit at no cost. If you want to have a Bon Fire you must request a code from Captain Arbin a few days before the requested date so that a code can be provided. Do not schedule a Bon Fire without advising Captain Arbin (unless you pay for the permit) and never share the code that you were given. The person who requested the permit must remain at the event until it is over and all attending must obey all rules and ordinances.



### Town of OC Employee Discounts (must present your ID to receive the discount)



#### Food And Beverage

- 28th St. Pit and Pub
- Alaska Stand
- Anchor Restaurant
- Bourbon Street on the Beach
- Brothers Bistro
- Fat Daddy's
- Golden Plate
- Late Nite Liquors
- Loco Taco
- Love's Lemonade
- Northside Pit and Pub
- Papi Joes Cafe
- Papi's Taco Joint
- Pizza Boss
- Real Raw Organics
- Ripieno's
- Satellite Café
- Sea Bay Café



#### Retail/Services

- Acquest Title Services
- American Veterans Taxi
- Atlantic Shores Realty
- Bob Nails it
- Chauncey's Surf-O-Rama
- Hague Quality Water
- Hair Shack
- K-Coast
- OC Kitchen Bath and Appliance
- OC Dollar Store
- OC Foodie Tour
- OC Fuel 247
- Senior Cigar
- TC Studios, LLC
- T-Shirt Factory



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**\*\*OCBP PERK ALERT\*\***

**Jolly Roger Amusement Park– “Where the Beach Patrol Goes to Play!”**

Steve Pastusak, Vice President of Jolly Roger Amusements, has again this season provided Beach Patrol employees the opportunity to enjoy an activity at Jolly Roger Amusement Park which helps each crew to build relationships while fellowshiping and having some fun away from duty. This adds to the overall experience of living and working in Ocean City. You must request a “Voucher” from Captain Arbin (a few days before) and have it with you when you go to Jolly Roger to enjoy one of the many activities provided.



**Photograph or videotape on public property**

In general, it is legal to photograph or videotape anything and anyone on any public property without their permission if they have no reasonable expectation of privacy, within reasonable community standards. Photographing or videotaping a tourist attraction, whether publicly or privately owned, is generally considered legal, unless explicitly prohibited by a specific law or statute. This includes places like parks, beaches, city squares, political rallies, marathons, and rock concerts.



**Appropriate Off-Duty Video needed**



As part of our ongoing recruiting and promotional efforts using social media as well as a professional production company, we are looking for off duty content. We want to encourage you to record “**APPROPRIATE**” off duty footage of your lives that we can include.

"What do you do after work? Show your off-duty life, cookouts, hangouts, hobbies, chill and fun, crew get togethers, go carts, hockey, paint ball, SCUBA, etc. and then submit them to Kristin Joson. All content will be reviewed before released or used. Remember we want to show a positive and professional organization, that also has fun together.

**SCUBA**

First scuba meeting is Tuesday, June 25 at 1815 at headquarters in the classroom. You can be in uniform; don't be late to change. This is an interest/orientation meeting (no commitment). Additional meetings will take place 7/9, 7/16 (we will skip 7/2 due to 4th traffic).

After the first meeting, the class may meet the classroom or at the pool at Harrison Hall (14th Street/Boards).

See Sgt Falcon with questions.

Class	\$300
Checkout Dives	262
Mask, Fins, Snorkel	150
Camping	20

**PADI certification is for life.**

Checkout dives are at Lake Phoenix in Rawlings, VA on Sunday, July 21 and Monday, July 22.



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## OCBP Question of the Week for The Worcester County Times

**I noticed the lifeguards enforcing rules on the beach. What are the rules as far as what you can and cannot do on the beach and how much authority does a lifeguard have to enforce those rules?**

The Beach Patrol is responsible for maintaining a safe, secure, and enjoyable atmosphere on the beach and in the ocean. The surf rescue technician on the stand carries out this responsibility by informing the public and enforcing applicable rules, laws, and local ordinances. Basically, the Ocean City Beach Patrol regulates all beach activities and all Beach Patrol employees are authorized to issue Civil Citations (including fines). However, because the Beach Patrol is enforcing laws and ordinances, if we have individuals who refuse to obey the directives of a Beach Patrol employee, we may ask for assistance from the Police, which may result in an arrest and or additional fines.

Our newest law in its eighth year this season is the Town of Ocean City's "Smoking Ordinance". Although it was passed into Law in May 2015, the Beach Patrol has included the request to use designated "Smoking Areas" for the past eight years. The new city ordinance is as follows:

Smoking and vaping are unlawful on Atlantic Avenue (boardwalk) except within fifteen feet of a designated smoking area. Atlantic Avenue" means the areas of land designated and distinguished on the numerous plats of the Ocean Blocks of Ocean City, Maryland, which designate Atlantic Avenue, which is comprised of the beach, including the ramps placed thereon, the wooden railings, the boardwalk, including the concrete tram lane, the ramps extending westward and eastward from the boardwalk, decks extending eastward and westward from the boardwalk, the seawall, and tables and benches placed thereon, but excluding the inlet parking lot.

The SRT's will inform the public of this ordinance and if they notice someone violating the law they will tell the individual, so please follow the law so the SRTs are not leaving their primary responsibility to ask adults to follow the laws which in most cases they are already aware of.

For your protection and safety, the activities below are either **Prohibited Ø** or **Regulated R** on the beaches of Ocean City.

- Ø Consuming alcoholic beverages (24 hours a day all year long including the boardwalk and all other public areas of the Town, regardless of the container).
- Ø Allowing dogs on the beach (May 1 – Sept 30) (24 hours a day including the boardwalk).
- Ø Sleeping on the beach (10 p.m. – 6 a.m.).
- Ø Using a skim board after 10 a.m. and before 5:30 p.m.
- Ø Bringing glass containers onto the beach.
- R Starting open fires on the beach. (Never allowed during the day and bonfires at night with a permit north of 27<sup>th</sup> street)
- R Playing loud music (heard a distance from the source).
- R Smoking and Vaping (must use designated areas at back of the beach)

These activities are under the discretion of the beach patrol:

- BP Ball playing and Frisbee throwing (never in front of guard stands).
- BP Umbrella (or shading device) placement beyond established line (never in front of guard stands).
- BP Kite flying. (Kites that are diving or crashing must be removed)
- BP Digging holes in the sand (never deeper than knee deep to the smallest member of the group).
- BP Fishing while OCBP is on duty (must be 50 yds from anyone in bathing attire).
- BP Surfing in designated areas only. (Daily location is published on our website)

**Our guards are prepared and eager to fulfill our three-part mission: education, prevention and intervention. This mission guides our organization. We would like to suggest that you always follow these safety tips:**

- Parents should monitor all activities of children they are responsible for to make sure they always remain safe and don't become lost. An important hint is to make sure all adults in your group communicate with who is watching the children at any time.
- Apply and reapply sunscreen liberally and often.
- Drink plenty of water (push the water don't wait till thirsty).
- Have required medications with you in case they are needed
- Wear eye protection (sunglasses with UV A and B protection).
- Have footwear because the sand can cause serious burns (especially for children)
- Establish and check landmarks.
- Keep valuables off the beach.
- Please put trash in its place (Leave only your footprints).
- No glass containers please.
- And finally, take seriously the warning of the SRT when storms are in the area. The Ocean City Beach Patrol is in constant communication with the National Weather Service. When instructed by beach patrol personnel, please secure your belongings, and leave the beach immediately for your safety and ours!

If you have a question, please ask. If you see an inappropriate or unsafe situation, please bring it to the attention of the SRT. To get current information about the beach patrol as well as daily stats and current beach conditions, you can follow the beach patrol on Instagram or "like us" on the Official OCBP Facebook page. If interested in exciting, meaningful work as part of the Beach Patrol talk to your Surf Rescue Technician (lifeguard) or visit our website [JoinBeachPatrol.com](http://JoinBeachPatrol.com). We can't wait to be a part of your wonderful experiences in Ocean City, because we are glad you are here, and remember our saying: "Keep Your Feet in the Sand until the Lifeguard's in the Stand." This is a reminder to never go in the ocean when the Beach Patrol is not on duty. As added protection for you and your friends, always locate the nearest stand with a guard and swim on that beach.



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### Meet the Lifeguard: SRT Matthew Williamson

SRT Matthew Williamson just joined the Beach Patrol this May. He is a member of Crew 12 and sits the stands as a rover in the area of 80<sup>th</sup> to 91<sup>st</sup> street. Matt is looking forward to getting involved in lacrosse with the beach patrol. In his free time, he likes being outside and participating in team sports. He is a rising junior at Millersville University studying Emergency Management and he also plays on their lacrosse team.

SRT Matt Williamson and the other lifeguards of the Ocean City Beach Patrol are glad to answer any of your beach and water safety questions. If you think you would like a position with the Patrol like Matt, ask any of our Surf Rescue Technicians or visit our website at [JoinBeachPatrol.com](http://JoinBeachPatrol.com). We will start testing for next summer (2025) this August (10<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>). We pay (\$20.00 - 2024 rate) while we train you in our Surf Rescue Training Academy where all certifications will be provided and are offering a \$500.00 signing bonus and numerous other incentives. It's too late for this summer but never too late to join our team. To learn more about this amazing opportunity ask any of our Surf Rescue Technicians (Lifeguards) who can help you train or visit [JoinBeachPatrol.com](http://JoinBeachPatrol.com) for training tips.



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