



Emerald Isle Police Department BEACH RULES AND REGULATIONS



COMMONLY VIOLATED TOWN ORDINANCES:

1. **STAY OFF THE SAND DUNES!**
2. **Public nudity is PROHIBITED.**
3. **Dogs are required to be on a leash AT ALL TIMES, even when in the water.**
4. **The collection and disposal of pet feces is MANDATORY.**
5. **Burying pet feces in the sand is PROHIBITED.**
6. **Camping on the beach is PROHIBITED.**
7. **Burning and cooking fires are PROHIBITED.**
8. **If you dig a hole, it MUST be filled in prior to departing the beach.**
9. **Fireworks that fly, spin or explode are illegal in North Carolina and PROHIBITED.**
10. **Spirituos liquor or fortified wine on the beach strand is PROHIBITED.**
11. **Littering is PROHIBITED.**
12. **Jumping from the pier is PROHIBITED.**
13. **Leaving beach equipment unattended overnight is PROHIBITED.**

Violation of these ordinances can carry a penalty involving fines ranging between \$50 and \$500, mandatory court appearances or arrest.



Warning Flag System



YELLOW FLAGS indicate moderate hazards and that some rip current activity is expected. You should use caution if entering the water.



RED FLAGS indicate dangerous rip current activity is expected and rip currents are likely to be stronger and more frequent. It is recommended that you stay out of the water.



DOUBLE RED FLAGS indicate the ocean is closed for swimming and you can be fined or arrested for entering the water.



PURPLE FLAGS indicate an abundance of potentially hazardous marine life in the vicinity, including Portuguese man-o-war, jellyfish, and other creatures.

