



Don't Have A Computer?

The Ocean City Library at 100th street has 30 computers. They also offer free lessons and many free programs. Also, book donations are always welcome and they have books for sale cheap.



Keep in Touch with the Montego Bay Community.

E-mail is a great way to stay informed. It is also a great way to contact the Officers and Board members about community concerns, receive emergency notifications and information, and information about upcoming community activities. All E-mail addresses will be kept confidential and will not be disclosed when mailed.

We need your Phone Number Too!

When damage is reported to your property during a harsh winter or a storm, the office will contact you.....if we have your phone number. Many residents also have cell phones so please make sure our office records are up to date.



Reminder from the Office

You are responsible for notifying the MBCA office if your property is sold, transferred or any change in ownership occurs. This keeps our files up to date for park assessments and other mailings.



Parking

Remember to park in the proper direction on the street. Do not park at a red curb, on the sidewalk, or blocking a neighbor's driveway. Try to be courteous to your neighbors if your family or visitors have more than two cars.

The Board does not have the authority to remove any vehicle from private property or city streets.



Dog Ordinance

Animals are not allowed on the beach or boardwalk any time between May 1st and September 30th by Town Ordinance .Any person or owner of a dog must remove any waste deposited on public or private property not owned by person in possession of said dog. Also, dogs must be kept on a leash. Fines of not less than \$25 or more than \$1000 may occur.



MBCA Trash Pick-up

Winter schedule (10/13-5/9) collection day is Monday only. Summer schedule (5/10-10/11) collections are Monday and Thursday. Containers are to be at curbside no later than 6a.m. Place solid waste into the containers. No loose bags of waste are to be placed along the outside of the container.

Also, trash cans should have your house numbers painted on them to prevent mix ups during times of construction near your home.



Lawn Care

MBCA Restrictions state that lawns must be maintained. If you are unable to maintain your property, a list of lawn care companies can be obtained from the MBCA office. **PLEASE NOTE** that if you receive a letter stating that your grass needs to be cut/trimmed and you do not comply, the MBCA will have your grass cut, you will be billed for the services and will be charged a \$75 penalty.



Bicycle Ordinance

Bicyclists must obey the same traffic laws as motorists and can receive citations for failure to obey these rules of the road. The most common violations committed by bicyclists are riding against the flow of traffic in the bike lane, and failing to obey traffic lights and stop signs. After dark, a headlight and rear reflector are required on all bicycles being used in Ocean City.



Complaints

To be taken seriously, anyone leaving a complaint message at the MBCA office must leave their name, phone number, or E-mail



Senior Bus Passes

Senior citizen bus passes for residents and property owners, 60 years of age and over are available. The cost of the pass is \$7 and it is valid for two years. All applications for bus passes and renewals require proof of property ownership or residency, such as an Ocean City tax bill or driver's license with an Ocean City address. Seniors obtaining a pass for the first time must show proof of age in addition to proof of residency. A senior bus pass allows free rides on the buses and paratransit van (if eligible). For more information, call the City Hall receptionist at 410-289-8221

Ocean City Transportation offers Origin-to-Destination service to disabled residents and visitors. This service is available during the same operating days and hours as our fixed-route Coastal Highway bus service. Fare is **\$3 Ride-All-Day**. All trip reservations must be made by 10:00 p.m. the day prior. Eligible patrons may call the Dispatch Office at 410-723-1606 to make a reservation for the Para-transit van 365 days a year.



Skateboarding

Skateboarding is permitted on the Boardwalk from Saturday Memorial Day weekend until Labor Day 2; 00 am to 11; 00am. Skateboarding is not permitted on public streets, alleys, sidewalks, and public lots from April 1st to October 1st. There is a skateboard park at 3rd Street and St Louis Avenue.



Neighbor Helping Neighbors

- Respect your fellow property owners.
- Don't litter.
- Don't walk across others lawns
- Have the telephone number of a year round neighbor handy. Give them yours phone number in case of emergency.
- Replace the trash can for an absent neighbor.
- Let neighbors know when you are away.
- Houses are close together- do not leave on lights or have wind chimes that may disturb your neighbor.
- Get tag numbers and report speeders to Ocean City Police.
- Winds can be ferocious at any time of the year. Don't place objects that are easily damaged or moved by the winds in your yard or on your house.
- Remove items that may trap water in summer to avoid mosquito infestation.

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- No fencing, prefabricated or living, above 30 inches is allowed on your property.
- Most driveways have cracked over time. Removing weeds from cracks adds to the appearance of your home and the whole street.
- Damaged or missing skirting should be replaced promptly. In addition to making your property looking good, it keeps wild and stray animals from taking shelter under your home.



Bulkheads, Docks, Canals, and Boating

It's your responsibility to maintain docks and bulkheads on your property. There are evolving restrictions concerning placements of docks. Always check the current state and city regulations.

Help to keep the water runoff flowing by disposing of your yard debris in the trash. **Sweeping grass into the street is prohibited.** Do not allow the drain near your home to become clogged with debris. Please remind your contractor, too.

Please keep our waters clean. Debris thrown into the water is a hazard to our ecology. Bulkheads, boaters, and swimmers- and you could be fined! US Coast Guard regulations require boaters not to exceed 6 mph while in the canals. There are USCG regulations regarding age and training if you are piloting a boat. Also, our bay waters can be very shallow and dangerous. Check with the USCG for marine information (410- 289-7559)

Noise

Ocean City does have a noise restriction ordinance. Be courteous to your neighbors in the early morning and the late evening. It should not be necessary to involve the police department with unruly friends and neighbors.



Speeding

Posted speed limits are 20-25 mph throughout the park. There are plenty of children and bicyclists on our streets, so please obey the posted speed.



Utilities

Some building lots are equipped with propane gas lines, otherwise properly installed properly installed oil tanks are permitted.

If you have an oil tank on your property, play it safe and have it inspected. Rusty tanks will eventually leak and if it does, EPA fine sand clean ups are extensive.

Water may be turned on and off by the homeowner at a small shut off valve located near your lamp. **DO NOT** lift the large meter with the round black usage meter; breaking it could cause you to be fined \$75. It is advisable to turn your water off if you are away for extended periods, especially during the winter.

Property Numbers

Property numbers are to be placed on your lamp light. Free replacements can be obtained at the MBCA office. Please keep your numbers visible and in good condition so that emergency personnel can find your property.



Light Lights & Posts

All properties have a lamp light at the foot of the driveway. These are supplied by and mechanically maintained by the MBCA. Notify the MBCA office should you need a new bulb or maintenance. It is your responsibility to keep the post in good physical condition, including painting it black and cleaning the glass. If lamp lights are damaged during new construction, a replacement fee will be assessed. Due to the necessity of repairing and replacing lamp lights, it is advisable not to plant shrubbery or place permanent fixtures around your lamp light. The MBCA is not responsible for damages if digging around your lamp light is necessary.



Construction and Renovation

Any new or rehabilitative construction (including whole house painting and roofing) usually requires a permit from the Town of Ocean City and from the MBCA. Demolition and water capping also require permits. Ocean City regulations may differ from MBCA regulations – so, be sure you have both permits in hand before you start! All contractor's signs require a MBCA permit. There are differing noise restrictions for summer and winter construction start times. Be sure you and your contractor are aware of these.

..... Cross only at cross walks on Coastal Hwy. Hold Children's hands!!

