

**HOUSE RULES**  
**Midway Cottage**

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**CHECK IN AND OUT-----**

CHECK IN: 3pm – 9pm. Door code will be active after 3pm.

CHECK OUT: **10am SHARP.** No late check-out allowed, due to extensive COVID cleaning required. Please text us upon check-out. \*Late check-out fee per hour applied. (See chart below.)

**NO RESIDENCY:** Your reservation for this short-term rental does not establish residency, regardless of the length of your stay. You are considered a guest until the end of your reservation; at which time you will turn over possession of the property. The New Jersey Anti-Eviction Act does not apply to this rental.

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- NO SMOKING/VAPING in house, on porch or deck.
- NO PETS ALLOWED, not even 'visiting' ones.
- NO PARTIES/LOUD NOISE

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**INSPECT YOUR UNIT-----**

REPORT YOUR CONCERNS: If you have any concerns with your unit upon check-in, you should let us know ASAP via the cell number provided. We reserve the 'right to enter' the unit to correct or repair any highlighted issues after you call us. Unreported concerns or concerns that were corrected in a timely manner will not be considered for partial or full refund after your stay is completed.

**RENTAL REQUIREMENTS-----**

PRIMARY RENTER: Must be 25 years of age, a part of your group, and provide a valid ID and cell phone number. Guest will need to complete a separate short-term rental lease in addition to any platform booking. (No renting specifically for unqualified, younger guest groups.)

SECURITY DEPOSIT REQUIRED: Your booking will require a refundable \$500 security deposit. Platform bookings will need to send the \$500 through the resolution center, no less than 5 days prior to their check-in. Platform refundable deposits will be returned 3 business days after check-out, minus costs for any applicable damages or lost badges/passes that have incurred. For direct bookings, this deposit will be a security hold on your credit card. This hold will be placed 5 days prior to the start of your booking date. For realtor bookings, refundable deposits are taken in advance by check or credit card.

If the security deposit is not received or successfully held on your card, then your booking dates and lease will be cancelled within 24 hours of the notification.

CANCELLATION POLICY: Due to the nature of our seasonal beach house rentals, it is often difficult to rebook stays that are cancelled close to the check-in date. We recommend confirming your dates before booking as well as purchasing travel insurance, which will cover any expenses caused by unforeseen circumstances.

- Cancellations occurring at least 30 days before check-in will receive 100% refund.
- Cancellations that occur between 15 and 30 days before check-in, will receive 50% back for all nights.
- Cancellations that occur less than 7 days before check-in, will receive no refund back.

\* If you booked through an online platform, then the posted cancellation policy at the time of booking is used.

MAXIMUM GUESTS: The fire code restricts the maximum number of guests, including children, allowed in residence. See posted sign on door. All guests (18 and older) must declare their names and permanent addresses to the Host, prior to your stay. This information may be submitted to the borough upon their request.

NO LARGE GROUPS / NO PARTIES: Undeclared guests, guests not on the reservation, are not allowed to stay overnight. All guests need to be part of your original reservation and declared to the OWNER for security purposes. There is an Additional Guest Fee of \$75 for every undeclared guest that violates the fire code maximum.

BE COURTEOUS: All Guests should be respectful of the neighbors. Do not cause disturbances during your stay.

## **THINGS TO REMEMBER DURING YOUR STAY-----**

LINENS: The property includes bed linens and towels for your convenience. Do not use hair dye or spray-tan products with our linens or towels. Please do not hang towels, bathing suits, or clothes on the railings of the deck or porch. An additional charge of \$40 per will be assessed for missing or damaged blankets, towels, or linens.

FLUSH TOILET PAPER ONLY: Do not flush tampons, sanitary products, flushable wipes, paper towels, cotton balls, tissues, your soul, etc., down the toilet. Only use the provided toilet paper or one rated "safe for septic systems." Please throw all other items in the trash. If a plumbing service is required due to misuse, GUEST will be responsible for the cost of the service.

TRASH REMOVAL: Please put the trash out daily. In the summer (May 15 – Sept 15), cans go to the front curb Monday-Sunday nights after 7:00 p.m., and recycling goes out Tuesday nights after 7:00 p.m. In the winter (beginning in September 16), cans go to the curb Sunday and Wednesday nights after 7:00 p.m., and recycling goes out Tuesday nights after 7:00 p.m. Cans need to be returned promptly to the side bin the next morning.

PARKING: The driveway can fit 3 cars or 2 SUVs. The opening at the gate is 9ft wide. Please be careful when entering and exiting. Do not block the sidewalk. Webster Ave is a one-way street, with traffic traveling from east to west (from the beach in the direction of the bay).

BEACH BADGES: Badges are provided May 15 – Sept 15, during the summer season. The 4 beach badges need to be left in the cottage on the hook behind the door, prior to check-out. At time of check-out, GUEST shall be responsible for replacing lost/non-returned badges at \$120 per badge.

BEACH SHOWER: We do not have a beach shower, but we do have a hose near the backyard gate on the driveway side.

CHILD SAFETY: Do not leave children unattended on the property. Do not allow children to climb over the back deck railing.

LOW CEILINGS: This is a cottage built in 1930. The back door is just under 6ft high. Please use caution when stepping through it. Guests can use our laundry room but must use caution navigating the stairs to the room. In addition, the laundry room has a low doorway and low ceiling beams. Please watch your head while accessing the laundry room.

## **RESTRICTIONS-----**

NOISE ORDINANCE: No loud noise between 10:00 p.m. and 8:00 a.m. as per the local noise ordinance. The police will issue tickets for noise violations to both the GUEST and the OWNER. A police visit or ticketing will result in immediate termination of your reservation, without refund and removal from the property.

TERMINATION OF RESERVATION: If your group breaks the House Rules, holds a party, disrupts the neighbors or other guests in the duplex, becomes violent, or if your group's behavior results in a police visit or ticketing, then your reservation will be terminated, without a refund, and you will be expected to leave the property immediately. (If you do not comply with the request to leave, then you may be removed under TRESPASS.)

NO FIREWORKS/NO WEAPONS/NO CANDLES/NO INCENSE: These are not allowed in or on the property.

NO DRUGS: No drugs allowed on property. If we suspect you have brought drugs onto the property or are actively using them on the property, we will notify the police.

**DON'T TOUCH EQUIPMENT:** Do not unplug any of the smoke detectors, decibel monitors, routers, modems, or any electronic devices located behind the TV. Do not unplug the range extenders from the outlets. Unplugging or interfering with this equipment could disable the WiFi, streaming TV service, or safety features. \*If the Internet goes down, please alert the Host ASAP via the cell number provided.

**NO ROUGH HOUSING:** No horseplay on the decks, the stairs, or porches.

**BEFORE YOU LEAVE-----**

**CHECK-OUT INSPECTION:** Guests are responsible to leave the property in a clean and orderly condition. Photos / video of the unit and an inventory of contents and beach gear are taken prior to check-in and again after check-out to document cleanliness, any loss, or damages. Upon check-out, we will perform an inspection and notify you within 72 hours if we have discovered any missing items, damage or issues that might have occurred to the property during your stay, requiring funds in addition to your original cleaning fee. (See fee list below).

**Additional fees-----**

The following additional fees may apply for late check-out, unauthorized guests, or pets, and missing / damaged items:

Late check-out penalty (after 10:15 a.m.)	\$75 (After 11:00am charge is additional \$250 per hour)
Unauthorized pets on property	\$150 /per pet
Unregistered guests/Over-capacity guests	\$75/person
Lost parking pass	\$120/pass
Lost beach badge	\$120/badge
Cigarette/smoke remediation	\$200
Missing or damaged towels, blankets, linens	\$40/item
BBQ cleaning fee	\$50
Oven cleaning fee	\$50
TV remote replacement	\$15
Beach bike replacement	\$125
Beach wagon replacement:	\$50
Bike helmet replacement	\$20
General damages to property	\$500 or more
Plumbing service	Guest responsible for any fees incurred
Towing fee	Guest responsible for any fees incurred

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**YOU MUST ALSO ACKNOWLEDGE-----**

> **POTENTIAL FOR NOISE:** House is a cottage, close to the beach, boardwalk and hub of town and bars. There will be tourist noise from the street and average living noise from the neighbors during the summer season.

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> **NOISE LEVEL MONITORING:** Noise level/decibel monitoring device is present in the unit, outside the kitchen area. It doesn't record speech or sound but will monitor if the decibels of sound increase past noise ordinance levels.

> **EXTERNAL SECURITY CAMERAS:** Outdoor, (24/7) motion triggered video/audio security cameras on property cover the front porch and driveway with AC equipment for security / anti-theft purposes. Back Porch, deck, picnic

area, and backyard are NOT INCLUDED in security surveillance. Cameras not actively monitored. Neighbors may have outdoor security cameras that overlap property lines.

> STAIRS: There are 3 steps at the front porch and 6 steps on back porch to access the 1st floor.

> SECURITY DEPOSIT: If you damage the home, you may be charged \$500 or more for repairs. This includes, but is not limited to cigarette smoke remediation, damage from unauthorized pets, BBQ cleaning charges, and missing items. See chart provided above.

By signing below, you acknowledge that you have read the supplied House Rules for our Ocean Blue Duplex and agree to follow them during your stay at this property.

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Guest name (Print)

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Guest signature

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Date