



CHEBEAGUE TRANSPORTATION COMPANY

July 2021

News from CTC!

Summer is here!

Summer Office Hours

Monday - Friday

9am - 4pm

Cousins Island Lot

As our Cousins lot parkers know, the lot has been full. We are patrolling the lot after hours, issuing tickets and will tow cars as necessary. We have reduced day parking to extremely limited numbers. If you have two cars in your household and one is rarely used, please bring it to our satellite lot. Our priority is to make sure our year-round permit holders can find a space and get home. Every little bit helps! We recognize the lot is sometimes over full and if you find yourself parking on the boat ramp or in front of the dumpster, we will not tow you. We will be happy to move your car when a space opens up.

Summer is here! We've already had a few large weddings and events on the island and we are starting to see some big crowds coming back. This is great news, but it does mean that our boats, busses and parking lots are busier than they have been in a year and a half. Please be patient with our employees and your fellow passengers who are maybe navigating their way to Chebeague for the first time!

Mask rules are changing!

Federal law continues to require that masks be worn while using public transportation, which includes our busses and our ferries. On June 10th, the U.S. CDC announced a change to the federal mask mandate that effectively eliminates the requirement for masks to be worn while outdoors. Continuing to prioritize the health and safety of our passengers and staff and in order to remain in compliance with federal law, CTC will continue to require masks be worn by all people while onboard our busses, while boarding and disembarking our ferries and while in the cabins of our ferries. Masks will no longer be required for people when they are on the stern, upper deck or bow of our ferries.

Reminder - If you are having a large group (15 or more people) coming to the Island, please let us know in advance by calling **our office**. We'll know to plan an extra bus or boat if needed. It helps us make sure we are doing everything we can to make travel for everyone as easy as possible!

Ticket Collection Procedure Reminder

One change that we made during the pandemic was that we began collecting tickets as people are boarding the boat. We have continued to do this as we have found it to be a huge improvement of efficiency in ticket collection and sales. It has helped to ensure that all of our passengers have a ticket which means that everyone is paying their fair share for a ride. We ask that everyone continue to purchase your tickets in advance, and to please have your tickets out and ready as you board the ferry. We look to our most frequent riders to help set an example for our new customers. If someone is unable to purchase a ticket for whatever reason, CTC maintains a charge log for people to charge a ferry ride. This should be used only as a last option when someone cannot purchase or find a ticket. **Be assured that CTC's policies have not changed and we will not deny passage for someone without a ticket.**

Annual Member Meeting

Our annual member meeting will be held on Saturday, July 17th at the Chebeague Island Hall.

Mailing to members will be completed by July 2nd.

If you would like to become a member, please provide your name, address and the \$40 per person membership fee to our office. If you would like to confirm your membership status, please call our office **or stop by**. We're happy to help and answer questions!

July Birthdays

Beth Putnam—7/24

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