



**TOWN OF GROTON**  
173 Main Street  
Groton, Massachusetts 01450-123  
Operator: **Sargisson Beach Committee and**  
**Groton Conservation Commission, Takashi Tada, Conservation Administrator**  
Tel: (978) 448-1106

## **Regulations for Sargisson and Priest Conversation Areas**

1. **Hours** – The Conservation Areas are open sunrise to sunset.
2. **Parking** – All vehicles shall park in the parking lot, behind the main entrance sign. Parking on Whiley Road is prohibited. Vehicles in the parking lot after dark or on Whiley Road may be ticketed and towed at owner's expense.
3. **BBQ Grilling and No Fires** - No campfires or open fires allowed on Conversation Property. Grills are located at the North Point, and may be used for BBQ grilling using charcoal only. Charcoal must be thoroughly doused with water and extinguished before leaving. Use of on-premise firewood, taking of firewood and damage to trees and on-site vegetation is prohibited.
4. **No Alcoholic Beverages**
5. **Trash** – No Littering. **This conservation area is Carry In, Carry Out.** You must take your trash home with you!
6. **Dogs** – Owner's must have dogs on a leash and pickup after their pet. Dog owners may only take their dog into the water outside of swim areas and dog owners may only enter the water up to their ankles.
7. **No Camping**
8. **No Motorized Vehicles** – No ATVs, dirt bikes, or snowmobiles, etc.
9. All Conservation Land Use Regulations, Town of Groton By-Laws for behavior and protection of the property must be followed.

Questions, Comments, Concerns please email: [sargissonbeach@townofgroton.org](mailto:sargissonbeach@townofgroton.org) or call (978) 448-1106

This park is made available in accordance with laws governing recreational use (M.G.L. Chapter 21 Section 17c.) The Town of Groton does not assume responsibility for injuries or damage to personal property. Violations of the law against drinking, trespass, vandalism, littering, etc. may be prosecuted. Any person endangering others, destroying property or creating a nuisance on Sargisson Beach may be expelled, subject to fines, and/or lose their beach privileges.

**Emergency** – Call Groton Police Department (978) 448-5555  
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## **Sargisson Beach - Beach and Shoreline Regulations -Permit #14-8**

### **1. When No Lifeguards are On Duty – Swim at your own Risk.**

- Lifeguard hours are posted on notice boards and town website. When lifeguards are on duty, swimmers must follow all lifeguard instructions. In inclement weather, lifeguard coverage may end early.
- Non-swimmers, all young children should wear USCG approved flotation devices in and around the water. Children on the beach and in the water require adult supervision.
- No smoking in the waterfront vicinity.
- No throwing beach sand, or rocks.
- No glass containers

2. **Swim Area** – Swimming in the area marked by the swim buoy and lines. Swimming is prohibited near docks, off boats and outside the swim rope. No diving or jumping from the docks. No tampering with ropes, buoys, signs or docks and other equipment.

3. **Water Testing** – The beach is not monitored for bacteriological quality outside these dates: Friday of Memorial Day weekend to the end of Labor Day weekend. The first sampling is done 5 days before opening and then weekly thereafter.

4. **No Fires or Alcoholic Beverages on the Beach**

5. **Bathing Suits** – All bathers, regardless of age, must wear bathing suits at Sargisson Beach.

6. **Skin Conditions** – No person having skin lesions, sores or inflamed eyes, mouth, nose or ear discharges, or who is known or suspected by the Board of Health to be a carrier of any communicable disease shall be permitted to bathe or swim at Sargisson Beach.

7. **Fishing** – Fishing is permitted at the north point, on the south point areas and on the docks away from the swim area. Fishing is not permitted in the swim area **or from the beach.**

8. **Boats** – Kayaks, Canoes, Rowboats, and Sailboats may land on the south end of the beach as marked by the sign. Boats shall not land at the points or any other portion of the shoreline. No boats may enter the swim area. All motorized boats **MUST** use the L shaped dock furthest away from the swim area. The launching of boats via the parking lot is not allowed. There is a public boat launch, owned by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, located about one mile past Sargisson Beach on Whiley Road.

Kayak/canoe rack may be provided for use of town residents to securely store and lock their boat on a rack. No boats shall be left on the beach or shoreline. Contact [sargissonbeach@townofgroton.org](mailto:sargissonbeach@townofgroton.org) to request a spot. All boats must be removed by fall cleanup.

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