

# City of Marco Island

## *Press Release*

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In anticipation of the upcoming Labor Day weekend, the City of Marco Island is planning for increased visitors to the Island. The City has detailed plans to mitigate issues concerning traffic, trash and crowds on the beach.

The Marco Island Police Department will monitor the streets surrounding the Turtle Lot, South Beach Lot, and Tigertail Lot. Parking in the swales on posted residential streets is prohibited on weekends and holidays. Vehicles that are parked illegally will be ticketed and subject to being towed. Parking in a designated No Parking zone will incur a fine of \$200.00. Our objective is not to penalize residents, but we cannot differentiate when enforcing local codes, so we need everyone's help to achieve compliance.

The City intends to proactively enforce beach conduct ordinances including bringing dogs or glass containers on to the beach, and groups larger than ten (10) are prohibited. Violators will be subject to fines of \$200.00. We remain under a state of emergency due to the Coronavirus pandemic. Normal beach conduct fines have been increased in order to protect public health.

There will be additional patrols on the roads, beaches, and waterways this weekend. Residents and visitors should expect heavy boating traffic, and all boaters must observe no-wake zones. Violations of the speed limits for boats and jet skis or operating a motorized vessel in an unauthorized area will incur a fine of \$200.00.

Trash will be picked up at the two pedestrian access points on the beach twice on Saturday, Sunday and Monday over the Labor Day weekend. Pick up times are between 10:00am – noon and 4:00pm – 6:00pm. We ask all residents and visitors to keep our beaches clean and put trash in the receptacles near the beach entrances. Littering on the beach is subject to a fine of \$200.00. Trash will be collected at the Jolley Bridge one time each day on Saturday, Sunday and Monday.

We ask all residents and visitors to protect our beaches and our quality of life. Be kind to neighbors and be mindful of loud noise, especially in residential neighborhoods and across narrow canals. Any concerns related to noise, traffic, trash, or conduct on the beach or waterways should be directed to the Marco Island Police Department at 239-389-5050.

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