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Reminder-- It's Umbrellas Only on the Beach from May 15-September 15 (Some Baby Tents Allowed)

SHADING DEVICES ALLOWED ON THE BEACH MAY 15-SEPTEMBER 15

-- Baby tents no larger than 36 inches high by 36 inches wide by 36 inches deep may be used year-round to shade persons 18 months of age or under.

-- Umbrellas with a center pole no greater than 7 feet 6 inches in height and with a circular shade no greater than 9 feet in diameter. (In the ordinance, an umbrella is defined as a "collapsible circular shade consisting of a natural or synthetic fabric shade stretched over hinged ribs radiating from a central pole without grounding lines or ropes.")

-- Umbrellas and other items/equipment may not be set up on the beach prior to 8:00 a.m. and must be removed from the beach by 7:00 p.m.

SHADING DEVICES NOT ALLOWED ON THE BEACH MAY 15-SEPTEMBER 15

-- Tents, tarps, cabanas, pavilions, sports-brellas, devices similar to sports-brellas, or any material mounted on supports.

ADDITIONALLY

-- No umbrellas or other shading devices may be placed within the emergency vehicle access lane, which is the area approximately 20-25 feet seaward of the dune line and parallel to the shoreline. It is marked by city trash cans, pylons and/or flags.

-- Also, the city's public safety director or his designee have the authority to establish unobstructed emergency access lanes perpendicular to the shoreline for emergency vehicles, personnel and/or other emergency equipment to access the surf or other areas of the beach in the event of an emergency. Emergency access lanes perpendicular to the shoreline must remain open and unobstructed until the public safety director or his designee determines the emergency access lane is no longer necessary.

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