

Welcome to Surf Camp!

We are very excited to welcome you to Surf Camp. Please review the following information so that you know what your child should bring to camp, when and where to drop off and pick-up, and other important details about your child's participation in camp.

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Drop-Off and Pick-Up

Campers should be dropped off every morning **by 9am sharp** at the following address:

Scarborough Beach State Park
418 Blackpoint Rd.
Scarborough, Maine 04074

Directions: <http://goo.gl/maps/jnqsr>

State Park Website: <http://www.scarboroughbeachstatepark.com/>

Please arrive 10-15 minutes early on Monday morning. You will be met *outside the gate* on the first day of camp so that you can be given a beach pass that will allow you access to Scarborough Beach State Park during the week of camp for the purpose of drop-off and pick-up. *This pass is included in the price of camp and you do not need to pay for a separate pass.* After you receive your pass, please drive to the Drop-Off circle at the end of the beach access road.

(Please note that this pass does not allow for family beach going and if you want to stay at the beach beyond drop-off/pick-up you will need to pay at the gate.)

Be aware that the beach pass costs \$85 and if it is lost you will not have access to the beach and will need to pay the beach entry fee each time you want to enter the park. If someone different will be picking your child up from camp, you may leave your pass at the entrance booth with the attendant in the morning so that the pick-up person can get the pass on arrival in the afternoon.

- **Your child must be signed in and out of Camp every morning/afternoon: don't leave before they are checked in!**
- **Pick-up is at 3pm at the same location where campers are dropped-off in the morning. Please be on time!**

What to Bring

Surf Camp provides all gear required for surfing, including surfboards and wetsuits. Additionally, we have juice and water, small snacks, and fresh fruit available for free throughout the day. Your child should bring the following **packed in a backpack that is easy to carry**:

- Lunch
- Water Bottle
- Sunscreen
- Sunglasses
- Towel
- Shoes or Sandals
- Sweatshirt
- Hat for sun protection
- Raincoat or poncho in case of bad weather
- Backpack

Remember: camp takes place outdoors and weather conditions can change quickly even if the weather looks beautiful in the morning. We generally stay at the beach unless it is a heavy rainfall and therefore it is important for your child to have something warm and dry to put on in this scenario -- pack a sweatshirt and a raincoat!

Please do not bring any items of high monetary or personal value, as there are no facilities to lock up personal items during camp. The beach environment is hazardous to electronics and a ziplock bag is recommended.

Campers are welcome to bring a book or magazine they might enjoy during downtime. Surfing can be physically exhausting and surf campers are always welcome to simply enjoy the beach if they don't feel like surfing all day.

A note about bringing your own surfboard to camp:

For safety reasons, all surfboards at Surf Camp are equipped with "soft" Protek fins. Surf Camp does not allow campers to ride boards with classic "hard" fins (the standard fins with which most surfboards are setup).

If you would like to bring your own surfboard to camp and you have hard fins, we can sell or lend you a set of Protek fins. Furthermore, we do not have space to store additional boards at camp during the week and you will need to take your board home with you everyday. *In most cases, attendees prefer riding our wide selection of camp boards.*

Safety, Weather, and Backup Location

The most common 'injury' at Surf Camp is SUNBURN -- we will do our best to encourage everyone to continue applying sunscreen throughout the day, but it is vital that your camper arrive at camp having applied AT LEAST SPF 40+ sunscreen.

In the event of bad weather (i.e., heavy rain, thunder/lightning, etc.), camp will be relocated to our backup location at Sprague Hall in Cape Elizabeth. If camp is moved, we will notify you by phone and a notification will be posted on our website. The address of our backup location is:

Sprague Hall
359 Charles E. Jordan Rd.
Cape Elizabeth, ME 04107
207-370-6706

Directions: <https://goo.gl/maps/KZ09g>

Directions from Scarborough Beach: Turn right out of the beach parking lot onto Black Point Road and go 0.9 miles until you reach Spurwink Road/Route 77 on your right. Stay on Spurwink road (Rt. 77 North) for 3.6 miles (going over the Spurwink river and passing the Spurwink Church on your left). Turn right about a half mile after the Spurwink Church onto Charles E. Jordan Rd. Our backup location is in the RED BARN directly on the corner.

Thursday Cliff Walk or Lagoon Visit

By Thursday, everyone is sore and "surf tired" -- the best kind of exhaustion that comes from surfing twice a day for three days in a row! Thursdays are therefore a day of rest and recuperation at Surf Camp. We typically surf in the morning and then take an afternoon off from surfing.

Instead, we will either go on a cliff walk around Prouts Neck, where we can swim at a beautiful and pristine sandy beach, or visit the "Lagoon" at the northern end of Scarborough Beach. We will all be re-energized for our final full day of surf on Friday! Keep in mind that the afternoon Cliff Walk/Lagoon Visit is wave/weather dependent -- if the waves are really good, we may just continue surfing instead! Campers should bring a pair of shoes or rugged sandals for the cliff walk.

Final Notes

It is very important to be on time for drop-off and pick-up: all unclaimed children will be left for the seagulls! If your child will not attend camp on any given day, please call us before 9am at 207-370-6706. If we do not answer, please leave a message with your child's name and your phone number.

All of us at Surf Camp are very excited to meet you and your surf camper: let's hope for beautiful weather and perfect waves!

For further questions, don't hesitate to call, email, or go online:

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