

Beaver Island's Good Guest Guide

Safety



DO NOT HANG UP WHEN CALLING 911. It takes up to 30 seconds for an operator to answer



Locate all fire extinguishers and smoke detectors in the house before settling in



Fire bans are common on the island due to forest fire risk. Bans can be issued by either the Fire Chief, your rental or both. **Fire bans MUST be followed.** Check the daily fire indicator signs located around the island before lighting a fire in the designated location of your rental, if permitted

ORVs and SUVs are permitted on County Roads Only. See the island ORV map for detailed information for your riding pleasure



For everyone's safety, fireworks are prohibited at all times and all places on Beaver Island except as permitted per Michigan law



Sustainability



What comes to the island must leave the island! **If containers are provided, please recycle** to reduce the cost of waste leaving the island



Please use green bags provided to dispose of **trash only**

Recycling and trash should be taken to the "Transfer and Recycling Center" located at **36770 East Side Dr.**



Please compost if a bin is available. Reducing food waste in green bags reduces island costs to remove trash



Respect the island's fragile environment by staying on marked trails, refrain from removing flowering vegetation, disturbing wildlife habitats, and, to protect our dark skies, turn off unnecessary lighting when not in use



Specifics



Beaver Island uses septic tanks. Please be mindful of excessive flushing and overuse of water. Health code limits capacity to 2 people per bedroom



Park at your rental only in designated parking areas. Do not block the road or other driveways



Your pet must be leashed at all times when not on your rental property. Pick up waste



Take only pictures, leave only footprints. Endangered species live here

Excessive noise is a violation of a township ordinance. Respect your neighbors by observing quiet hours beginning at 10pm



IMPORTANT: Immediately report disturbances, ORV/ATV activity on a beach or sand dune or watercraft harassing wildlife. Call 911 (for an immediate response) AND MNDR 800-292-7800 for natural resource damage

HELP US COLLECT DATA!! Call our CONFIDENTIAL recorded Hotline to report Short Term Rental concerns or disturbances: 231-448-3541

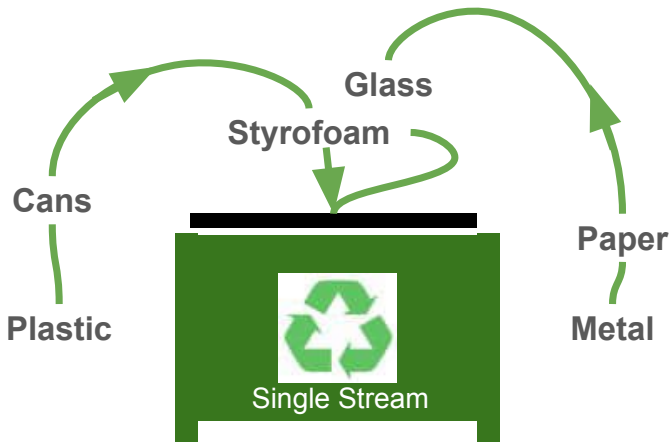
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RECYCLING ON BEAVER ISLAND...*What you should know*

Call our Anonymous Hotline to report littering or trash concerns: 231-448-3541. For immediate response call 911

Beaver Island uses Single Stream Recycling

Single-stream recycling is a system in which all the recyclables, including newspaper, plastic, cans, styrofoam, glass, paper, metal, etc., are placed in a single bin or cart for recycling. Transporting recyclables costs the island \$0. That's a huge win!



What are "Green Bags?"

Green bags are prepaid garbage bags for trash only. Green Bags should be filled with trash, not recyclables or food waste. By recycling and composting instead of putting these items in Green Bags, Beaver Island can reduce the volume of trash shipped off the island, reducing enormous cost



How do I compost if there's no receptacle?

There are no laws requiring composting. If you do not have the means to keep food out of your green bags, educate your host or island contact of the importance

Should we separate aluminum cans like pop and beer cans?

We encourage separation of aluminum cans not because you have to but because it allows for additional funding for The Beaver Island Community School



Where can I buy Green Bags?

Small and Large green bags can be purchased at the Gas Station, Grocery Store, Hardware Store, and Transfer Station

Where can I recycle?

The transfer and recycling station is conveniently located close to town at **36770 East Side Dr.**

Hours are:

- May thru October - 8am to 5pm
CLOSED: Sunday and Holidays
- November thru April - 10am to 5pm
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For detailed information on recycling, please visit recyclingraccoons.org

Some information and all racoon pictures taken from recyclingraccoons.org

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