Wildwood Crest to lift many beach restrictions beginning Friday, May 15

WILDWOOD CREST – The Borough of Wildwood Crest has announced it will lift many of its beach restrictions as of 6 a.m. on Friday, May 15.

Wildwood Crest emergency management coordinator Ron Harwood has signed a proclamation that allows the public to sit and sunbathe on the beach beginning May 15. Swimming will also be permitted when lifeguards are on duty beginning Saturday, May 23. Previously, only exercise such as running, jogging, walking, fishing and metal detecting had been permissible on Wildwood Crest beaches in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Social-distancing measures are still in effect and should be utilized efficiently considering the relatively vast width of the Wildwood Crest. Beach visitors must remain at least six feet apart, excluding family members, caretakers, household members or romantic partners. Groups should be limited to 10 or less people.

Masks are recommended but not required when safe social-distancing measures can be followed. Masks are required when coming into close contact with others or when social distancing is not practicable.

Organized beach games, contact activities and water play equipment are still prohibited at this time.

Portable toilets will be available to the public at various points along the beach. They will be cleaned and sanitized regularly.

Smoking is permitted in designated areas of the back beach only when smoking stations are available.

For further information, contact the Borough of Wildwood Crest at (609) 522-5176.

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