



Fourth of July 2016 Parking Program

Released by Dana Point Police Services/Public Works: Once again, the Fourth of July is approaching and will be upon us sooner than we think. As you are all well aware, Dana Point Harbor (Harbor) is a popular destination for thousands of locals and visitors alike. The popularity of the Harbor brings a series of parking and traffic management challenges with it, all of which can be overcome if we work together.

One major challenge is traffic congestion on Dana Drive, as many drivers find themselves waiting for available parking in the yacht club parking lots. Another involves the enormous flow of traffic in and out of the Harbor throughout the day, and particularly when the firework show ends. These conditions have the potential to block emergency vehicle access to various locations within the Harbor, and are constantly monitored. This notice is being provided to give you some general information to help your experience in the Harbor be an enjoyable one.

New Harbor Shuttle: There is a new Harbor Shuttle that will run throughout the Harbor on the 4th of July. The route includes Dana Point Harbor Drive (Park Lantern to Ocean Institute), Island Way, and Dana Drive. Please look for the stops and take advantage of the shuttle to more easily navigate the Harbor during the event.

Dana Point Harbor Drive – Generally No Left Turns

In an effort to keep the traffic circulation moving throughout the Harbor on the 4th of July, no left turns will be allowed on Dana Point Harbor Drive (DPHD) from PCH to Baby Beach. The only two exceptions will be at DPHD/Embarcadero and at DPHD/Golden Lantern. Access to roadways and parking lots will only be available from Eastbound DPHD, assuming the roadways/lots are not closed to traffic.

Doheny State Beach/Puerto Place Both of these access points to public beach parking may be closed to all traffic when parking lots become full. If you need access to Puerto Place to visit a business and the road is closed, please contact the police resources at the road closure who can let you know if that is possible (based on the traffic congestion). When you exit Puerto Place, you will only be allowed to make a right turn.

Island Way The City/County are intending to keep Island Way open to traffic this year, particularly with the new Harbor Shuttle that will be running this year. It is possible that Island Way could close due to traffic congestion, however. If you need access to Island Way to visit a business or access your boat and the road is closed, please contact the police resources at the road closure who can let you know if that is possible (based on the traffic congestion). When you exit Island Way, you will only be allowed to make a right turn.

Cove Road will remain open throughout the day, but will be closed to traffic during the fireworks show. Once the firework show is over, the roadway will be reopened.

If you have questions or comments regarding this notice, please do not hesitate to contact
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