

Welcome to our Bay Harbor neighborhood!



We hope you love it here as much as we do and want to come here often.

While you are here, please observe the following:

- **Lights**—If any outdoor lights at the home, particularly fishing lights, light up another home, please turn them off at 10 p.m. to respect Galveston city nighttime hours of 10 p.m.-7 a.m., if they cannot be adjusted downward.
- **Trash**—Pick up daily and keep trash out of reach of our plentiful varmints. Use the large green wheeled approved city of Galveston trash can only, and, when leaving, place it on the home's driveway near the street, handle facing the home. City will not pick up loose trash bags. Trash pick-up is Monday morning.
- **Wind/Storms**—This area is subject to unexpected wind/storms, so secure all yard/dock items before going to bed.
- **Speed Limit**—Please encourage all drivers to observe the 20 mph speed limit throughout Bay Harbor.
- **Boat**—If using a boat, access shallow West Bay via the deeper marked channel west of the bird sanctuary island and observe no wake signs and all posted marina and harbor rules.
- **Island**—Be aware the island in West Bay just north of Bay Harbor is a protected bird sanctuary, not a play area.
- **Grilling**—Grilling on a wooden deck is a fire hazard. Please safely grill on ground level on a non-wooden surface.
- **Sewer**—Bay Harbor is not on the city sewer system. All homes are on septic tanks. Please make sure all in the home are notified to flush only toilet paper (and locate a plunger before needed for fast access in case needed).
- **GALVESTON COUNTY ANIMAL SERVICES LOCAL REGULATIONS:**
 - **Pets** (If allowed by the homeowner)
 - Animals must be restrained off the premises of this home. Animals should not enter neighbors' yards or approach anyone walking or riding in the street.
 - Animals should be taken indoors if barking, whining, howling, or making other sounds in an excessive, continuous, or untimely fashion (particularly past 10 p.m.).
- **GALVESTON CITY ORDINANCES:** (Surprisingly, Bay Harbor is located in the city limits of Galveston.)
 - **Sound Nuisance**—Particularly during nighttime hours of 10 p.m.-7 a.m., please do not exceed the maximum permitted sound level of 70 dB(A), or basically produce any sounds that travel beyond the home property lines to disturb the comfort and sleep of others in our peaceful Bay Harbor.
 - **Fireworks**—Because we are in Galveston city limits, fireworks are not permitted. (If you are setting off fireworks at your own risk anyway, doing so at the beach is safer than in the neighborhood, and, if not New Year's Eve, please stop by 10 p.m. to comply with the sound nuisance ordinance.)
 - **Golf Carts**
 - Golf carts may only be legally driven by licensed drivers. (Police do give tickets for this.)
 - Outside Bay Harbor, golf carts may legally cross, but not drive along, FM 3005. (Using 2nd St. allows you to cross the street to access the beach without risking a ticket on FM 3005.)
 - Golf carts may only be driven beyond beach parking areas if handicap placards are displayed.
 - Golf carts may not be driven on sand dunes.
 - In Bay Harbor, golf carts should be driven on streets like cars, not on berms or across any lawns.
 - Lights are required to be on, if driving a golf cart at night.
 - **Parking**
 - Park on home's driveway or yard, not on another's property or blocking street passage.
 - **Intruding on Other's Premises**—Do not intrude on the grounds, bulkhead, or boat docks of other owners without consent of the owners or occupiers. (A violation of this section shall be a class C misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be punishable by a fine not to exceed \$500.00.)
 - **Firearms**—It is unlawful to discharge any firearm in Bay Harbor. The discharge of shotguns is permitted only in excess of 500 feet from a residence or commercial structure and only using birdshot ammunition.

Thank you!

Bay Harbor Improvement Association Board