



Town of Fort Myers Beach

PARASAIL ACTIVITIES

LICENSE APPLICATION

LDC Sec. 27-49 (Ordinance 14-07)

Official Use Only:

License _____

Zone _____

Property Address: _____

Property Owner's Name: _____ Strap Number: _____

Business Name: _____ Contact Person: _____

Business Owner Home Address: _____

Business Owner Local Address: _____

Business Owner Mailing Address: _____

Business Owner Phone Number: _____ Site Phone Number: _____

Sales Tax Number: _____

Description of Activities (please be specific): _____

Description of the vessels to be used by the business, include model, year, manufacturer, color and Florida Vessel registration numbers:

Model	Year	Color	Registration

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION / SUBMITTAL REQUIREMENTS

- A. Application fee \$375. (After October 1, add \$25 late processing fee).
- B. Letter of Authorization from the Property Owner, if different from Applicant.
- C. Operating Area Diagram, attach photographs or drawings that clearly indicate:
 - ☐ Location
 - ☐ Buoy lane
 - ☐ 500' markers (idle speed zone)
 - ☐ Approximate mooring locations
 - ☐ Night time storage locations
 - ☐ Table/podium/booth and storage boxes
- D. Fire Safety Inspection Report from the Fort Myers Beach Fire Prevention Team. (Email prevention@fmbfire.org for appointment)
- E. Copy of Public Liability Insurance.
- F. Copy of Lee County Business Tax Receipt.
- G. Evidence of CPR certifications for all staff.
- H. Copy of valid Application to Collect and/or Report Tax in Florida (DR-1) for the previous year.
- I. Evidence that tax payments have been made at least quarterly during the previous year.
- J. Evacuation Plan depicting how operator/applicant will evacuate and secure their business site upon (1) hours' notice from the Town or issuance of a Tropical Storm or Hurricane Warning.



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LICENSE CONDITIONS, RULES AND REGULATIONS

Sec. 27-50 Regulations and locations for personal watercraft rentals.

- 1) The operations office shall be located at a land-based site; and,
- 2) The land-based site shall have direct access to the beach. Direct access shall not include public rights-of-way, county-owned or town-owned beach accesses, or any residentially zoned land that must be traversed to gain beach access.
- 3) All business transactions such as the exchange of consideration or remuneration or any other type of transaction between the PAL and customer shall occur on the land-based site for which the business tax receipt is issued: and,
- 4) A person must have and maintain a telephone and an operable marine radio at its land-based operations office.
- (b) No person shall offer a ride on a parasail within the Town of Fort Myers Beach except at a parasail activities site which fully complies with the regulations set forth in this code and this chapter.
- (c) No person shall have a parasailing operation within the Town of Fort Myers Beach except from a business holding a valid PAL and which fully conforms to the terms of this chapter.
- (d) No person shall use a vessel for parasailing activity which is not registered in the name of the business and which does not have a valid Florida vessel registration number affixed thereon.
- (e) Each parasailing vessel must be registered in the name of the business and have a Florida vessel registration number affixed thereon.
- (f) Parasail operations must have a primary location at a site in conformance with this code or which otherwise specifically permits parasail activity. Parasail operators may pick up and return customers at other sites provided that the parasail operator has obtained written permission on a form provided by the town from the landowner where a PWVL has been issued. Written permission shall be kept on file at the PAL's primary location. In no even shall a parasail operator or his agents or employees solicit at the beach where they are picking up and returning customers.
- (g) Parasail operators will pick up and drop off customers at the beach location pursuant to (2) above. This process will be accomplished thorough buoy lanes within the 500-foot zone consisting of 6 buoys, with a minimum width of 15 feet and a maximum of 75 feet. In a congested area, a parasail captain may avoid hazard by approaching to the right or left of the buoy lane.
- (h) Operators must be at least 1,000 feet from shore when they inflate the chute or deflate the chute and while flying.
- (i) Operators must limit the length of the line to 1,200 feet and may not fly the chute over or within 500 feet of the pier or within 1,000 feet of the beach. Further, all parasail and all operations must cease at sunset.

Sec. 27-51. Additional rules applying to both PWVL and PAL businesses.

- (1) Businesses holding a valid PWVL or PAL must meet the following requirements:
Other boating regulations. All businesses and their vessels are required to comply with the town's Vessel Control and Water Safety Ordinance (Ordinance 96-26 as amended) and with Florida Statutes Chapter 327.
- (3) Structures on the beach. During its regular business hours only, a business may place one free-standing structure on the beach at its land-based site to conduct business with the public.
 - a. This structure may be a table, podium, booth, or storage box.
 - b. The total horizontal dimension of this structure may not exceed a horizontal dimension of 4 feet by 6 feet, except for any awning, umbrella, or integral roof whose sole purpose is to provide shade.
 - c. This structure must be portable and never be left on the beach before or after regular business hours.
 - d. No portion of any flag, sign, booth, or equipment may extend to or be located within 15' of the wet sand.



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- (4) **Signs on the beach.** This structure may contain a maximum of three identification or promotional signs painted on or mounted flat against the structure, no one of which can exceed 8 square feet as measured in accordance with § 30-91.
- Any rate charts or state-mandated informational signs smaller than 2 square each shall not be counted as part of the signage limitation above.
 - No signs or other advertising for the business are permitted on the beach other than the signage permitted on a table, podium, booth, or storage box.
- (5) **Signs off the beach.** A business may also have one portable sandwich-board sign displayed at its land-based site during regular business hours if such signs are otherwise permitted by Ch. 30 of this code at that site. However, any such sign:
- must be placed indoors after business hours;
 - must not be illuminated; and
 - must not be placed on the beach at any time.
- (f) Licensed PWVL and PAL businesses may not rent paddleboards, kayaks and other non-motorized watercraft from their land-based location. Paddle craft vendors at resorts are required to ensure that all renters of non-motorized watercraft adhere to all applicable water safety regulations.

The undersigned applicant agrees to comply with the Town of Fort Myers Beach Land Development Code LDC Sec. 27-47 Personal Watercraft and Parasailing (Ordinance 14-07), Sec. 34-3151 Water Oriented Rental Establishments, Sec. 27-51 (c) (3) Structures on the Beach, Fort Myers Beach Vessel Control Ordinance 96-26, and other applicable laws.

Signature (owner/authorized agent) _____

Typed or printed name _____ Date _____