

Welcome to Lewes

Lewes is an historic and friendly community. In addition to natural beauty, this charming bayside town offers a wonderful historic district, with architecture dating back to the 17th century, museums, special tours, cozy accommodations, restaurants to please any palate, and unique shops and boutiques all within walking distance of each other. The City of Lewes welcomes visitors and locals to once again enjoy all that Lewes has to offer in a manner that is safe for all.

Maybe you are here for a week-long vacation or planning for a longer stay. There are many benefits that come with renting. Perhaps the greatest benefit is the experience of staying in one of our many neighborhoods. You will be among year-round residents who value their quiet and safe community. They, and the City, will look to you for your help in preserving that sense of place. In short, being a renter also means being a good neighbor.

What You Need To Know

This brochure is intended to highlight a few ways you can be a good neighbor during your stay in the City of Lewes.

Busy Days and Quiet Nights

Please do not create noise disturbances or engage in disorderly conduct. Consider how you would want your neighbors to behave in your own neighborhood. A little consideration can go a long way. A call from the neighbors will bring the Police and a possible citation. Our officers can give you a citation if you violate the City's noise ordinance. Lewes is a town of Busy Days and Quiet Nights!

Parking

Utilize all residential on-site parking before utilizing street parking. Never block any driveway or street access.

Meters

Parking meters are in effect beginning May 1st through September 30th at both beach lots and through October 14th elsewhere from 9 AM to 8 PM. Coin, credit card, and the Parkmobile app are available payment options. You can find metered parking downtown and at our beaches.

There are several non-metered parking lots located throughout the City. Visitors are encouraged to park in one of the **free lots** during their stay.

- ✚ Lot off of Schley Ave. (Franklin Ave. & Schley Ave.)
- ✚ Lot at Roosevelt Inlet (end of Cedar St.)
- ✚ Beebe Healthcare lot off Market St. and 4th St. - evenings and weekends only
- ✚ Otis Smith Park Parking Lot - all day parking
- ✚ Little League - July through March - all day
- ✚ Trail Head at Lewes Library

More information about parking in Lewes:



Please be considerate to your neighbors when parking your vehicles.

Trash & Recycling

The City of Lewes collects trash & recycling weekly on Monday and Tuesday year-round, and collects trash on Thursday and Friday from the last week in June through Labor Day. The day your refuse is collected depends on where your property is located.

The City provides single-stream recycling pick-up. To find out what are accepted, please visit [ci.lewes.de.us/170/Recycling](https://www.ci.lewes.de.us/170/Recycling).

PLACE RECYCLE ITEMS LOOSE IN THE RECYCLE CONTAINER.

The property owner should provide a copy of the City Services Schedule for your use.

Trash Container Guidelines

All refuse containers need to be placed at the curb no later than 6:00 AM the day of pick-up. After collection, empty containers should be removed from the curb within 24 hours.

If you have any questions, please see the schedule below or contact the City of Lewes at 302-645-7777.

More information can be found here:
<https://www.ci.lewes.de.us/101/Services>



Dogs

Lewes requires that all dogs be on leashes when they are outside. The City has a Leash Law which is enforced. Cleaning up after your dog is also required. And just like at home, a barking dog may disturb neighbors.

No dogs are allowed on any beach between the hours of 8 AM and 6:30 PM any day between May 1st and September 30th.

Events and Activities

Not sure what there is to do in Lewes? The Lewes Chamber of Commerce website provides lots of ideas for exploring all Lewes has to offer.

<https://www.leweschamber.com/>



Parks and Marinas

The City is proud to offer a variety of public open spaces for the enjoyment of residents and visitors alike.

- ✚ 1812 Memorial Park
- ✚ Canafront Park and Marina
- ✚ George H. P. Smith Park
- ✚ Mary Vessels Park
- ✚ Otis Smith Park
- ✚ Stango Park
- ✚ Zwaanendael Park
- ✚ Great Marsh Park

More information can be found here:
<https://www.ci.lewes.de.us/156/Parks>

Getting Around Town: Lewes Line

The Lewes Line seasonal transit program transports residents and visitors to designated key locations throughout the City.

Lewes Line service begins the Monday before Memorial Day and operates seven days a week through September 30th. Each bus can accommodate 12 walk-on passengers and 2 wheelchairs.

Hours: Hours of operation are 9 AM - 9 PM
Cost: Each ride costs \$1 cash (credit cards are not accepted and change is not available)
Timing: Each stop will be served approximately once every half hour
App: The Lewes Line App can be found on the TransLoc app, which is available on Google Play and on the Apple App Store.

More information can be found here:
<https://www.ci.lewes.de.us/363/Lewes-Line>



Explore Lewes by Bicycle!

Lewes is home to some of the area's best bike trails winding from the Cape Henlopen State Park through to downtown Lewes. The trails are perfect for bikers, hikers, and strollers of all ability levels and for all age groups.

Electronic version of the Lewes bicycle map



Bicycle and Pedestrian Courtesy and Safety Tips

- ✚ Obey all local bike and pedestrian laws
- ✚ Use bike racks - Do not leave bikes on sidewalks or lock them to parking meters, trees, lamp posts, etc.
- ✚ Only children 12 and under can ride on sidewalks
- ✚ Pedestrians must use crosswalks

Emergency Evacuation

In the event of an emergency, know your evacuation zone and different evacuation routes to take to go inland or off the Delmarva Peninsula. The Peninsula is surrounded on 3 sides by water, so you may not be able to go West / inland. Also, there may be many bridges along your route, and they will close if there are sustained winds at or above 45 mph. Don't get stuck because you forgot about a low-lying area or a bridge! Sussex County Evacuation map:



Lewes Core Values

- ✚ Lewes has a special and historic relationship with the sea.
- ✚ Lewes is a community of diversity.
- ✚ Lewes values its human town scale and sense of face-to-face intimacy that is characteristic of its quality of life.
- ✚ Lewes is a town of busy days and quiet nights.
- ✚ Lewes recognizes and maintains its internal communities.
- ✚ Lewes has a unique historical origin and strives to highlight its heritage through building design and architectural preservation

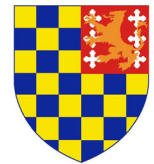
For more information on government services, check out our website at <https://www.ci.lewes.de.us/>



Enjoy your stay in Historic Lewes!

Good Neighbor Brochure 2023

The City of Lewes



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