

Shorewood Hills Homeowners Association
Guidelines for weddings on the beach

1. Who may have weddings on the beach?

Only members or their relatives may have weddings on the beach. No others, including renters, are permitted to have a wedding on the beach. Only wedding ceremonies may be on the beach; wedding receptions cannot be held on the beach. The Shorewood member requesting the wedding must be present at the wedding to be responsible for adherence to these policies.

2. When can weddings take place on the beach?

Any wedding time must be approved beforehand by the beach chairman, and the following prohibitions will apply:

... Holiday weekends Friday through Monday of Memorial Day and Labor Day; the week of July 4 and the weekends before and after.

If a wedding is requested for other dates in June, July, August, or the first two weeks of September, the “high season” days, these policies will apply:

... The wedding must finish before 12:30 PM or begin after 6:00 PM.

... The beach chair must approve of the exact location and logistics.

3. Where can weddings take place on the beach?

Weddings can take place anywhere on the beach except the highly populated areas on North Beach, Middle Beach, and South Beach. The beach grass cannot be disturbed. Also, all Shorewood members will continue to have access to the entire beach, even during the wedding. For example, members may walk along the beach or stop by to observe.

4. How long can the wedding take place on the beach and what can be placed there?

A member can reserve a place on the beach for the wedding the morning of the wedding by placing flags in the sand or posting signs at the approved spot. The member can have chairs placed on the beach on the day of the wedding but the chairs cannot be on the beach for more than three hours. In addition, an arbor for the bride and groom to stand under and a small tent (like the portable collapsible farmers’ market tents) during the ceremony is permitted, subject to the same time constraints.

5. What cannot be placed on the beach?

No large tents, platforms, and equipment, or the like, can be placed on the beach. Only chairs, a small arbor, and a small tent.

6. Where can wedding guests park?

The sponsoring member should make arrangements with the Shorewood Property Manager.

No parking at the beach lots during the summer season.

7. Is there a fee for having a wedding on the beach?

No fee is required but a donation would be appreciated.

8. Are there any other rules?

* The member must acquire liability insurance for the day of the wedding and provide proof of insurance to the beach committee chair. * No amplified sound is permitted. * During the wedding, no services will be provided by Shorewood Hills, although the property manager may be present to make sure Shorewood property and interests are protected.

Contact the Shorewood beach committee chair to request a wedding.