

## Casual Beach Hut Hire Terms and Conditions

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- Beach huts and Pods should only be used during the hours of daylight and should never be used for overnight accommodation.
- Beach hut hire begins from 10am on the commencing Saturday and must be returned by dusk on or before the final day of your booking.
- Keys for all Beach Huts will be available for collection between 10am – 4pm from the Tourist Information Centre, Pier Approach, Bournemouth, BH2 5AA. Please also return your keys here at the end of your stay. Please note, unreturned or lost keys will incur a £45 charge.
- Proof of hire, e.g. confirmation email will be required before keys are issued. (NOTE: For Access to Leisure bookings we will also need to see your valid card at this time)
- Huts are furnished with deckchairs and/or a plastic table and chairs. If your beach hut is located on the promenade, you are required to use the beach area for any tables and chairs and not place these on the promenade itself. This will help to keep the promenade clear, aid social distancing and ensure your safety as well as the safety of other beach users.
- Beach Huts and Pods are to be used as a private beach hut for leisure purposes associated with the adjoining beach and sea only and not for the advertisement display or sale of goods products or services.
- A maximum of six persons can occupy a Beach Hut or Pod at any time. The Hirer shall be responsible for the good behaviour of all persons using the Beach Hut or Pod.
- All beach hut occupants must be considerate of neighbouring beach hut tenants regarding music, noise and space outside beach huts. Beach hut users must not cause or permit a nuisance in or around the Beach Hut or Pod which shall cause annoyance, inconvenience or disturbance to occupiers of neighbouring huts/ pods or to the public.
- Smoking is prohibited in all Beach Huts and Pods.
- Valuables should not be stored in the beach hut. The Council cannot be held responsible for any loss or damage to the hirer's property.
- The hirer will be responsible for any loss or damage to any Council property and/or equipment during the hire period.
- All litter and personal belongings must be removed from the beach hut upon departure and the hut left clean and tidy. Any personal items left at the Beach Hut or Pod will be removed and maybe sold by the Council without incurring any liability for any loss or damage which may occur. The Council shall be entitled to retain any such proceeds of sale absolutely.
- The Council will not accept liability for injury to any persons using the Beach Hut or Pod except where such injury arises from the negligence of the Council or any matter for which it would be illegal or unlawful for the Council to exclude or limit liability.
- The Council and its authorised representatives may enter the Hut at any time to carry out inspections.
- This booking is not transferable to any other person except at the discretion of BCP Council.
- Due to Covid-19 restrictions, the need for cleansing and to meet Government guidance the hirer may not sub-let or share the beach hut with others outside of your family bubble. Should you break these conditions, your booking will be terminated, and no refund will be

given. Government guidance and advice on social distancing is the responsibility of the beach hut users and should be followed at all times.

- There will be a £10 administration charge to amend any bookings.
- Should we need to make any changes to our services or restrict access to beach huts due to COVID-19 Government imposed restrictions, we will advise customers as soon as possible and provide a pro-rata refund. We will not accept liability for any additional costs incurred by you in relation to the booking or its cancellation.
- We have relaxed our booking policy so that you can cancel your booking up to one week before it is due to start. Please note that if your booking has started we are unable to provide any refund as we will be unable to re-let the hut.
- The Council reserves the right to transfer the Hirer to another Beach Hut or Pod.

**Any infringement of these terms and conditions may result in the remainder of the Hirer's booking being cancelled without refund of any part of the hire charge.**

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