

Chesapeake Bay and Coastal Lighthouses/Lightships/ Lifesaving Station Information

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Assateague Lighthouse

Located in the Chincoteague National Wildlife Refuge (NWR), Virginia.

Phone: Chincoteague NWR - (757) 336-6122

Hours: The tower will be open for climbing from 9 am to 3 pm on the following weekends:

May 8 & 9, June 5 & 6, July 10 & 11, August 21 & 22, September 4 & 5, and October 9 & 10. If ownership of the lighthouse changes, the dates could be cancelled. Suggestion - Bring mosquito repellent.

Cost: \$10 per vehicle to enter the Refuge - pass is good for seven days - OR- \$15 for a yearlong vehicle pass. No charge to climb the lighthouse.

NOTE: The original Fresnel lens from the Assateague Lighthouse is on display at the nearby **Oyster and Maritime Museum**, located at 7125 Maddox Blvd, Chincoteague, VA. Phone: (757) 336-6117

Hours: Open Friday and Saturday (10 am to 5 pm) & Sunday (Noon to 4 pm) March 19 – April 11 and October 22 – November 28. Open everyday April 12 to October 17.

Cost: \$3 (Adult), \$2 (Senior), \$1.50 (Children 12 and under)

Old Cape Henry Lighthouse

Located at 583 Atlantic Avenue, Fort Story, Virginia Beach, VA. (**Active Military Base**)

All visitors without military ID MUST use Gate 1. Must have photo ID – driver's license or passport. Vehicle subject to search. Please observe speed limit.

Phone: (757) 422-9421

Hours: Tower and visitor center open November 1 to March 15 (10 am to 4 pm) and March 16 to October 31 (10 am to 5 pm). Tower CLOSED to climbing December 5 to January 4 for holiday illumination. Visitor center open all year except Thanksgiving, December 24 – 25, December 31 and January 1.

Cost: Admission fee charged.

Website: www.apva.org/apva/light.html

Old Point Comfort Lighthouse

Located on the grounds of Fort Monroe, Hampton, VA (**Active Military Base**)

Must have picture ID, car registration, and auto insurance card. Vehicle subject to search.

Phone: Casemate Museum (757) 788-3391

Hours: Tower closed to the public. Museum open daily 10:30 am to 4:30 pm.

Cost: Free, donations are accepted.

Portsmouth Lightship

Located at 435 Water Street at intersection of London & Water streets, Portsmouth, VA.

NOTE: Lightship scheduled to open on Memorial Day.

Phone: Portsmouth Naval Shipyard Museum - (757) 393-8591 & Lightship (757) 393-8741.

Contact: Mrs. Hanes

Hours: Open Tuesday to Saturday 10 am to 5 pm & Sunday 1 pm to 5 pm. Open on Monday's Memorial Day through Labor Day and holiday's 10 am – 5 pm.

Cost: \$3.00 for museum and lightship

Website: www.portsmouth.va.us/tourism/docs/tourism6.htm (look under HISTORIC SITES)

Old Coast Guard Station Museum

Located at 24th Street and Atlantic Avenue Virginia Beach, VA.

Phone: (757) 422-1587

Hours: Open Tuesday to Saturday 10 am to 5 pm, Sunday Noon to 5 pm – all year. Open Mondays Memorial Day through October 1, 10 am – 5 pm. Closed Thanksgiving, December 25, December 31, and January 1.

Cost: \$3(Adults), \$2.50 (over 60 and active duty military), \$1 (ages 6 to 18), Under 6 is free, AAA discount.

Website: www.oldcoastguardstation.com

Mariners' Museum

Located at 100 Museum Drive, Newport News, VA.

Phone: (757) 596-2222

Hours: Open everyday except Thanksgiving & Christmas, 10 am to 5 pm

Cost: \$8.00 (Adult), \$7 (over 65, AAA member, and active military), \$6 (children ages 6 to 17), 5 and under free.

NOTE: First order fresnel lenses from Cape Charles lighthouse on display.

Website: www.mariner.org

Turkey Point Lighthouse

Located in Elk Neck State Park, south of the town of North East, MD.

Requires a .8 mile hike each way from the nearest parking area using the trail.

Phone: (410) 287-8170

Hours: Summer and Fall, Saturday and Sunday 10am – 4 pm

Contact: President of TPLS, Inc.- Dean Rice

Tower open for visitation but not for climbing.

Website: www.tpls.org

Concord Point Lighthouse

Located in Havre De Grace, MD.
Phone: at lighthouse (410) 939-9040
Hours: Tower open for climbing 1 pm to 5 pm on Saturdays & Sundays, April through October.
Cost: \$2.00 (Adult), \$1.00 (Senior, student, and children)

Seven Foot Knoll Lighthouse and Chesapeake Lightship

Part of the Baltimore Maritime Museum, located on Piers 3 and 5, in the Inner Harbor in Baltimore, MD
Phone: (410) 396-3453
Hours: Open daily March through December, 10 am to 5 pm. Open Friday, Saturdays and Sundays January through February, 10 am to 5 pm.
Cost: \$7.00 (Adult), \$6.00 (senior rate), \$4.00 (ages 6 to 14) and 5 and under Free.
Website: www.baltomaritimemuseum.org

Drum Point Lighthouse

Located at Calvert Marine Museum, Solomons, Md
Phone: (410) 326-2042
Hours: Open daily 10 am to 5 pm. Closed New Year's Day, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day.
Cost: \$5.00, \$4.00 (55 and over), \$2.00 (5 to 12), and less than 5 – Free.
Website: www.calvertmarinemuseum.com

Cove Point Lighthouse

Is part of the Calvert Marine Museum in Solomons, MD.
NOTE: The Cove Point lighthouse IS ONLY ACCESSIBLE by shuttle bus service from the Calvert Marine Museum.
Phone: (410) 326-2042
Hours: May and September (weekends and holidays) 10 am to 4 pm and June through August (daily) 10 am to 4 pm. Closed October through April. Call ahead for shuttle bus schedule.
Cost: \$3.00
Website: www.calvertmarinemuseum.com

Piney Point Lighthouse

Located in Piney Point Lighthouse Museum and Park, Piney Point, MD.
Phone: (301) 769-2222 x305
Contact: Kim Cullens
Hours: The grounds are open 7 days a week from sunrise to sunset. The lighthouse will be open for climbing on Saturday and Sunday May 8 till end of October.
Cost: \$3.00 a person for climbing the lighthouse

Point Lookout Lighthouse

Located in Point Lookout State Park, Scotland, MD.
Phone: (301) 872-5688
Contact: Christy Carter-Bright
Hours: Park open year round sunrise to sunset.
Cost: \$5.00 a person for Maryland resident and \$6.00 for non-resident on weekends and holidays and \$3.00 per car weekdays (May 1 – September 30).
All other times \$3.00 per car.

Hooper Strait Lighthouse

Located at Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum, St. Michael's, MD.
Phone: (410) 745-2916
Hours: Open daily 9 am to 5 pm - March 1 through May 31; 9 am to 6 pm - June 1 through September 30; 9 am to 5 pm - October 1 through mid-November, and 9 am to 4 pm - mid-November through February 28.
Cost: \$10.00 (adults), \$9.00 (senior rate), \$5.00 (ages 6 to 17), under 6 Free.
Website: www.cbmm.org

Fort Washington Lighthouse

Located at Fort Washington Park (National Park Service)
Phone: (301) 763-4600
Hours: Park open daily 9 am to 5 pm - April 1 through September 30th and 9 am to 4:30 pm - October 1 through March 31st. Closed Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Years days.
Cost: \$5.00 per vehicle for 3 days - OR- \$25.00 for an annual pass – OR- \$3.00 for 3 days for walking, bus passenger, or riding a bike into the park
Website: www.nps.gov/fowa (Then click "inDEPTH", "Park History", "Light 80")

Fenwick Island Lighthouse

Located at the MD/DE state line – 146th Street and Lighthouse Avenue, Fenwick Island, DE
Phone: (302) 539-4115
Contact: Oliver Cropper
Hours: Open for Visitation but not for climbing Monday through Saturday May through September 10 am – 2 pm. Other special dates (based on availability of volunteers) from 2 pm to 4 pm: June 2, 16 & 30, July 14 & 28, August 11 & 25 and September 8.
Cost: Donations requested.

Overfalls Lightship and Life-Saving Station

Located off Savannah Road on right side of Front Street just after the tennis courts near the canal, Lewes, DE.
Phone: (302) 644-8050
Hours: Open May 29 through October 2 - Friday & Saturday 11 am to 4 pm; Sunday 1 pm to 4 pm, and Thursday (July & August only) 1 pm to 4 pm.
Cost: Not available
Website: www.overfalls.org

Indian River Lifesaving Station

130 Coastal Highway, Rehoboth Beach, DE
Phone: (302) 227-0478
Hours: Open Memorial Day through Labor Day 10 am – 5 pm. Call for off-season hours.
Cost: \$3.50, \$2.50 (62 and older), \$1.00 (ages 6 to 12) and age 5 and under – Free.
Website: www.irlss.org

Harbor of Refuge Lighthouse

Phone: Contact Delaware River & Bay Lighthouse Foundation at (302) 644-7046
Website: www.delawarebaylights.org