

# BEACH CLUBS



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### **1 DEFINITION OF A CLUB ON THE BEACH**

A beach club is a seasonal recreation space for children run privately or publicly on a beach or its surroundings of the French coast. An agreement is made between the concerned administrations: maritime affairs, town council. If there is an approval with the owner of a private property there must also be an agreement with the town council in connection with the local tourist bureau. Composed of a leisure equipment put to the disposal of children plus a staff organizing playing activities respecting the security standards. The playing ground "beach club" allows the concerned town to offer to its residents and holiday makers a welcoming structure where children can devote themselves to beach pleasures and group activities. It can adopt the juridical form of its choice with respect to the setting-up formalities and in accordance with the conditions of registration and declaration imposed by law.

### **2 BEACH CLUB SCHEDULE**

A beach club is open during the summer school holidays or over the weekend. It must detail for the public the opening days and hours. It can spend a half day doing playing activities and another one with group activities such as beach games, recreative competitions and so on...

In order to play its role of tourist welcoming structure in addition to education and sport it would be advisable for the children to stay at least on a half-day basis. The general rule would be a subscription for a day (half or full), a week, a fortnight, a month or a season.

### **3 EQUIPMENT**

The beach clubs are equipped with playing and sportive devices. An emergency kit is at disposal and emergency calls telephone of the region are posted up.

### **4 EQUIPMENT CONDITION**

The beach clubs equipment is kept in good condition. The club itself is regularly maintained for its pleasant aspect and also for the respect of security norms.

### **5 SURFACE**

A beach club is composed of a surface determined in agreement with the concerned administrations: maritime affairs, town hall and others. This surface must allow the comfortable installation of equipments in accordance with the security rules.

### **6 WELCOMING AND STAFF CAPACITY**

Each club will have at least one person in charge (of age +18 and with a state diploma corresponding to the club activities) present permanently.

Every person in charge of the club must be sure that his collaborators, assistants or unpaid volunteers are physically and morally able to conduct a group of children.

At the time of registration of a child the people in charge must be sure of the agreement of the parents. The children must not be, even in small groups, kept without supervision of a person of age except for specific activities such as treasure race or others.

### **7 INSURANCE**

They will be subscribed by the person in charge of the club in the name of the club.

### **8 Seabathings**

If the club organizes bathings in sea it will have to conform to the security norms defined by the Ministry of Sports and by the Ministry of Interior.

### **9 ADVERTISING**

No advertising is allowed as for alcoholic beverages or tobacco of any form using children in the clubs.

### **10 TOURISM**

The beach club being a leisure tourism activity for children, the persons in charge will try their best to work in connection with the Tourism Information Center and the Tourism Information Bureau and will be allowed to get their assistance.

### **11 FARES**

The fares which mustn't give rise to agreements between different clubs of a same beach or town must be posted out in accordance with the law.