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2026 Kent County Beach Advisories

Date Posted	Location	Notification	Reason

**** Swimming in natural water bodies is not risk free. Always monitor conditions that may affect your swimming area.***

NOTIFICATION

Advisory – Results for water quality samples collected from the area do not meet the State and Federal water quality criteria. ***Swimming is not recommended until bacteria levels fall.***

Closed – Beach closed to swimming.

RAINFALL ADVISORY

Bacteria levels are shown to rise dramatically after a rain. Individuals should exercise caution and avoid swimming/direct water contact for at least 48 hours due to predicted high bacterial levels.

Go to the following link for Maryland's Healthy Beaches Program:
https://mde.maryland.gov/programs/Water/MHB/Pages/Maryland-Healthy-Beaches-Home.aspx

Go to the following link for tips on how to prevent water-related illnesses:
https://mde.maryland.gov/programs/water/MHB/Pages/Healthy-Beach-Habits.aspx

Go to the following link for information on Vibrio and how to prevent infection:
https://mde.maryland.gov/programs/water/MHB/Pages/Vibrio.aspx

Go to the following link for an interactive map showing current beach conditions throughout Maryland:
https://mde.maryland.gov/programs/water/MHB/Pages/Current-Conditions.aspx

Go to the following link for more information on Harmful Algae Blooms:
https://mde.maryland.gov/programs/Water/HAB/Pages/index.aspx#:~:text=To%20report%20an%20algal%20bloom,Eyes%20on%20the%20Bay%20website.