



# Fourth of July Traffic Control

**Released by Dana Point Police Services/Public Works:** Once again, the Fourth of July is approaching and will be upon us sooner than we think. As you are all well aware, Dana Point Harbor is a popular destination for thousands of locals and visitors alike. The popularity of the Harbor brings a series of parking and traffic management challenges with it, all of which can be overcome if we work together.

One major challenge is traffic congestion on Dana Drive (the island), as many drivers find themselves waiting for available parking in the yacht club parking lots. Another involves the enormous flow of traffic in and out of the Harbor throughout the day, and particularly when the firework show ends. These conditions have the potential to block emergency vehicle access to various locations within the Harbor, and are constantly monitored. This notice is being provided to give you some general information to help your experience in the Harbor be an enjoyable one.

## Dana Point Harbor Drive – Generally No Left Turns

In an effort to keep the traffic circulation moving throughout the Harbor on the 4th of July, **no left turns will be allowed on Dana Point Harbor Drive (DPHD) from PCH to Baby Beach.** The only two exceptions will be at DPHD/Embarcadero and at DPHD/Golden Lantern. Access to roadways and parking lots will only be available from Eastbound DPHD, assuming the roadways/lots are not closed to traffic.

## Doheny State Beach/Puerto Place

Both of these access points to public beach parking will be closed to all traffic when parking lots become full. If you need access to Puerto Place to visit a business, please contact the police resources at the road closure who can let you know if that is possible (based on the traffic congestion).

**When you exit Puerto Place, you will only be allowed to make a right turn.**

## Island Way

Beginning in the early afternoon on July 4th, Police Services personnel will begin checking the parking lots on the island. If the parking lots become full resulting in a traffic build-up on Dana Drive, we will be closing the bridge by barricading Island Way at DPHD. This could happen at any time between 12:00 noon and 7:30 pm, but usually happens about midday. **Also, when you leave the island, please remember that you will only be allowed to turn right onto DPHD throughout the day.** If you need access to the island when the road is closed, please contact the police resources at the road closure who can let you know if that is possible. Please remember that a slip rental does not guarantee a place to park a vehicle, only a vessel!

## Cove Road

Cove Road will remain open throughout the day, but will be closed to traffic during the fireworks show. Once the firework show is over, the roadway will be reopened.