



## DURING THE DAY

- Do not disturb sea turtle nests or tracks.
- Do not uproot dune vegetation.
- Not all nests are marked. Please do not dig deep holes.
- Avoid leaving beach furniture or recreational equipment on the beach overnight. These are obstacles for turtles.

# HELP

PROTECT OUR  
SEA TURTLES

**SEA TURTLES USE THIS BEACH**  
as nesting habitat from  
March 1<sup>st</sup> through October 31<sup>st</sup>



**ALWAYS PROPERLY DISPOSE OF FISHING LINE AND GARBAGE**



## AT NIGHT

- Lights disturb sea turtles. Limit the use of white flash lights, lanterns and flash cameras. Also, shield or turn off all property lights visible from the beach.
- Obey the strict prohibition of fires on the beach.
- If you see a turtle, do not approach her. This may cause her to return to the ocean without nesting. View her quietly at a distance in the dark.

Disturbing sea turtles, hatchlings, or nests is a violation of State and Federal law and carries a criminal penalty of up to **\$50,000 and one year in prison.**

If you observe a dead or injured sea turtle, or a disturbance to a turtle or nest, call the Florida Fish & Wildlife Conservation Commission at 1-888-404-3922.

For more information on Indian River County's Sea Turtle Conservation Plan call 772-226-1569.

**Southeast Florida has some of the best nesting beaches in the world. We'd like to keep it that way. Thanks for your help.**