



Recently there have been several incidents with children not being directly supervised resulting in harmful or potentially harmful situations for themselves, other children, our farm animals and our business. These incidents create a negative situation for our guests that are not here with children and for our employees that are forced to intervene where parents/guardians should be acting responsibly.

To combat that issue, we are proactively setting expectations for parties with children. While the vast majority of children/parents and guardians are very respectful, this is our last-ditch effort to keep our farm brewery a family friendly enterprise.

Our entire staff have been empowered to address parties with children when they arrive to ensure expectations are set early in your visit. We reserve the right to ask a party to leave if their behavior does not conform to these simple rules.

**The most important rule - Children under 12 must be directly supervised at all times! Meaning parents/guardians must be physically near, readily accessible, aware and responsible for the ongoing activity of each child so they can intervene when needed.**

**Please explore the farm WITH your children** – observe our goats and chickens from a distance and treat them kindly. This is their home, not yours! Feel free to enjoy the greenhouse and take a walk around the farm, but please stay out of closed areas.

**No climbing on anything** – that includes fences, large rocks, trees, deck railings, picnic tables and furniture of any kind.

**No running inside the buildings or on the decks.** If your children need to run, please go with them to the lawn adjacent to the barn brewery. If that lawn area is closed for a private event, that means we do not have a place for kids to run free that day. Ragged Island is not a public park, playground or your backyard so please treat our rules with respect.

**No throwing rocks - ever** – please leave all rocks exactly where they lay. This includes the gravel under our deck. Those rocks serve a purpose, and it is not a sensory play area.

**No playing with sticks** or any other potentially harmful play.

**Farm Animals** – our chickens, goats and cats are our pets, and they live here! Please treat our animals with kindness. They are to be observed and not harassed.

Ragged Island is not a public park or your backyard. This is a working farm business so please be respectful of the hard work and effort we have put in to bring this fun, family friendly concept to Portsmouth, RI.

We truly appreciate your patronage and do not want to become another 21+ only business. Thank you for understanding.