

ROW FOR THE BAY

DIRECTIONS TO FORT TABER PARK IN NEW BEDFORD

(located at end of East Rodney French Blvd. at the southern most point of New Bedford)

- If coming from Route 140, take exit for 195 East from Route 140
- Take Interstate 195 into New Bedford.
- From Route 195 , take the exit for Route 18 South, exit 15.
- Stay on Route 18 for about 2.5 miles; you will go through 4 sets of lights in total.
- At the 2nd set of lights, on your left you will see State Pier, the New Bedford fishing docks, and the Ferry Terminal to Martha's Vineyard. The New Bedford historic district and National Park will be to your right. Do not turn here; just keep going straight through this 2nd set of lights.
- At the 4th set of lights, take a left onto Cove Street.
- Follow Cove Street for a short distance; it curves right into East Rodney French Blvd.
- Follow East Rodney French Blvd.
- The Hurricane Barrier Dike will be on your left.
- Continue on East Rodney French Blvd. to the end
- You will pass the Butler Flats Lighthouse on your left.
- At end, do not take curve that turns right. Continue straight into Fort Taber Park.
- East Rodney French Blvd. leads right into Fort Taber Park
- Head to the parking area inside of Fort Taber Park. (see map of Fort Taber Park)
- If parking lot is full, unpack gear at Row for the Bay location near parking lot.
- May need to find parking at other areas in park or may need to park in parking lot right outside of entrance to Fort Taber Park.

Note: Once you get to Cove St., taking a left is the most direct way to get to Fort Taber. But if you continued straight through Cove Street, you would also end up at Fort Taber Park by continuing on either West Rodney French Blvd. or Brock Avenue. This part of New Bedford is the southern most part of New Bedford and is actually a peninsula that circles the water area of Clarks Cove and the Acushnet River and Buzzards Bay.