# **Welome to Spring Break 2019**

Below are important facts about your check in for your upcoming trip with Inertia Tours.

### Please read this ENTIRELY prior to arrival

Your group CANNOT CHECK IN if you have a balance due upon arrival. This will greatly add to the check in length. Please login to your account to make sure that you and your roommates have zero balances prior to arriving

#### **Inertia Tours contact information in South Padre:**

Normal Office Line open 10 am.-5 p.m CST. 800 821 2176. Our office is NOT open on check in days, we are at the Pearl Resort. Go there.

Office is located at 2600 Padre Blvd, in the Beach Club building. It is a store front. We also staff all of our night time main event parties as well as our check in days at the Pearl.

#### Check - In Procedures:

Check ins occur on March 2, 3, 9, 13, 17, and 23<sup>rd</sup> at the Pearl Resort Conference Center. <u>Arriving any other day?</u> You must email <u>info@inertiatours.com</u> your planned arrival day and time so we can accommodate you

Pearl address is: 310 Padre Blvd, South Padre Island TX 78597

No matter where you are staying you check in at the Pearl conference center. Do NOT proceed to the property directly they will not check you in. Free Parking for check in's is available at the Pearl in the parking garage ramp OR surface parking. If/when this is full, satellite parking is FREE at Schlitterbahn Waterpark (NOT the hotel, the waterpark) parking lot. We have a golf cart runner for transport to the Pearl.

Most common question we get is...**WHAT PROPERTY ARE WE ACTUALLY STAYING AT?** We provide this info a minimum of (5) days prior to your arrival if, and only if 100% of you and your group members are PAID IN FULL. If not, we will not provide!

Remember – drinking ie open containers in vehicles as well as the street and/or parking lot/parking garage areas IS ILLEGAL. There is a \$250 fine for open containers in these areas. Open containers are legal on the beach if 21, and you must have ID on you

Upon arrival, enter front desk area of Pearl. You will see our staff. The check ins occur at the Hotel conference center past front desk and we stage people to go up the stairs if

they have their document copies ready to go. COME WITH COPIES we do not have a copier!

Check ins occur between 9 am - 10 pm. After hours check ins carry a \$50 fee for the group in cash (not per person, for the GROUP) and we do these 24 hrs a day.

Required Welcome Briefings for check ins begin at 9 a.m. For check in, we need the entire group present. Briefings are required to be checked in and get keys as well as get your VIP scannable wristbands for all the parties & meals

Keys are not ready (for actual check in) until 3:30 pm. You cannot directly check into your property around us, they do not allow that as we have to cover property rules and local laws so you are not evicted. Understand that attempting to "sneak in" unregistered and/or unpaid guests results in *immediate eviction* for your entire group. It's not worth it.... email us to add them & yes they pay.

All check-ins to all properties occur at our check in- never at the property.

#### When you arrive you will need:

- 1.) Copy of your State issued ID (arrive with a paper COPY in hand 1 for each person) and the actual physical ID in hand. WE DO NOT HAVE COPIERS COME PREPARED
- 2.) Signed Conduct Agreement Form printed, signed, and dated 1 form for each group
- 3.) A credit or debit card to be imprinted to insure against damages to rooms (1 per person) everyone must put down a valid credit or debit card at time of check in. We do NOT charge it unless damages and/or excessive cleaning fees occur.
- 4.) If you or anyone in your group has an existing balance, you must pay it plus \$50 surcharge. Expect adding 1 to 2 hours to your check in process for no reason if this occurs. Verify you are paid in full a minimum of 7 days prior to arrival!

Once this information is turned in upon arrival to our staff you are given a welcome briefing time for your group. You are free to enjoy the welcome party at the hotel or do whatever you wish. Ask staff for meal & drink specials the hotels have for our students.

Please understand on Peak Check in days of March 9 and March 17<sup>th</sup> this can be a lengthy process due to the extreme volume of travelers. We appreciate your patience in advance - the system is organized, but intoxication and general exhaustion lead to some wasted time re-explaining things. *It will all be worth it just be mentally prepared.* 

Once your group leader gets keys & check in after 330 pm, you & your group need to inspect your condo right away, note any damages/missing items to our office by 12 midnight the day you check in simply fill in the inspection form you are given with your keys, take a picture of it, and email it to us. If you fail to return the form via email (email address on bottom of form) – we'll assume that the unit is in perfect condition, & you'll

be held responsible for damages or missing items. DO NOT SMOKE IN UNITS – not the devil's lettuce nor ciggs. \$250 fee if you do. Don't do it....

Treat your Red Carpet VIP Wristbands like cash. They are scanned at the club doors so you don't have to pay the cover charge. VIP Entrance is set until 11 pm. After 11 pm you still get in free but the separate entrance is no longer available & extended wait times to gain entry via (though still free) are to be expected. Meal tickets are not replaced if lost. The included meals do not include a required \$2.00 cash tax/tip per meal per person. Breakfasts are until 10:30 am. The other meal for the day there is one set restaurant but you can go anytime it is open. That restaurant will have 1 to 3 choices off a special menu. Remember, most of you have condos. These also have full kitchens. There is a Super Wal Mart on the mainland in Port Isabel for cheap food to make as well.

Condos do not have daily maid service. Linens / towels can be exchanged however.

You will be issued one parking space per 6 individuals or condo. Hotel rooms, efficiencies and 1 bedroom condos = one parking permit, 2 and 3 bedroom condos = 2 permits). Additional parking permits are not available. Free parking at the South Padre Post Office is the other option if extra cars.

Please be advised if you booked over normal occupancy which the majority of our clients do, come prepared with an air bed and bedding. If you took advantage of GROUP PRICING you will be over normal occupancy with a max of 5 in a hotel or efficiency, 6 in a 1 bedroom condo, 8 in a two bedroom condo and 10 in a three bedroom condo. The condos are spacious and if you come prepared it is great.

You must check out with all keys returned to the drop box at our office by 10:30 a.m. on your check out day, if you fail to return your keys by that time, you will be charged \$350 on the credit cards for late check out. Units must be left with all trash bagged & tied, floors swept, and dishes in the dishwasher with it turned on.

Check outs at the front desk **and not our office** should be done at Sunchase, Peninsula, Schlitterbahn, and Inverness....and for any of **our hotel guests** not in condos.

If you are arriving March 9<sup>th</sup> or March 13<sup>th</sup>, expect a 1 to as much as 4 hour wait to get across the causeway (bridge) from the mainland to the Island. Use poddy before.

Bring sufficient money on your vacation as a minimum \$75 per day per person to spend.

1.) There's a Wal Mart in Port Isabel. (the City just across the bridge on the mainland from Padre) Buy your stuff there, right before you cross the bridge to the Island.

- 2.) The Blue Marlin IGA is the supermarket out on the island. The prices actually aren't that bad cuz' of the wal mart on the mainland. CVS also has some grub/sunscreen/etc.
- 3.) Use Ben's Liquor Warehouse by the Blue Marlin. Don't buy glass, you can't bring that on the beach. Ben's carries Kegs but they are not allowed on condo or hotel properties but are legal on the beach + party cruises
- 4.) .Arrive around 10 pm to the parties at night to avoid long lines for VIP

ATTIRE: South Padre does not have a dress code, however Padre can be windy & Cool. 50 degrees at night is possible, as well as misty rain, plan for that as well as breezy outdoor conditions. The wind is what can be cooling especially at night.

Use our parties to party. If you party in the condos after 11 pm, <u>you risk eviction</u>. Pregame is one thing. After bars will get you evicted.

Again, all Inertia units are non smoking. Do not throw things off balcony = eviction

Get on the Red Carpet VIP Party schedule. Our clubs are the best, we 100% guarantee the largest college student parties. AVOID "promoters" going door to door selling "concert" or "beach party" tickets—they can sell fake tickets and scam you. Their stuff sucks as they bring no one to the Island like we do.

All Inertia events for Red Carpet VIP Wristbands are guaranteed admittance prior to 11 pm and are 18 years of age or older to attend. The drinking age is 21

Driving YOUR vehicle here? We recommend pre-collecting for gas, an oil change, and a car wash/detail from your group. If you fail to do this, people will spend all their money & you will get stuck – not fair when your car got the wear and tear.

**Final suggestion if you are road tripping down**: If you do NOT have road side assistance on your car, call your auto insurance and add it (like \$25/month) OR get AAA plus membership online. If you have a break down or flat on the way down or back, this will be THE BEST money you have ever spent. Ask your Parents about this. It can really save the day!

## Questions?

Easy.

Email us: <a href="mailto:info@inertiatours.com">info@inertiatours.com</a>

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