

## Portland Head Light Open Lighthouse Days

The lighthouse tower at Portland Head Light, located within Fort Williams Park, is open to the public only twice a year. Visitors who climb the 85 steps are rewarded with a panoramic view of Casco Bay and Fort Williams Park.

**Please Note:** In accordance with US Coast Guard regulations, all participants must be a minimum of 48 inches tall to climb the tower.

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### 1. Cape Elizabeth Resident Day

This opening was created for Cape Elizabeth residents and offers a greater chance to secure tickets compared to the statewide event.

- **Date & Time:** Sunday, May 17th, from 10:00 AM - 3:00 PM.
  - **Ticket Availability:** Approximately 200 tickets will be available.
  - **How to Get Tickets:**
    - Tickets are distributed starting on **Monday, May 4th, at the Community Center.**
    - Tickets are distributed in order of entrance time, and you may not choose your time.
    - Limit: Four tickets per family.
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### 2. Maine Open Lighthouse Day

This is the annual statewide event where many lighthouses are open to the public.

- **Date:** Saturday, September 12th from 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM.
- **Ticket Availability:** Approximately 280 tickets will be available.
- **Access:** Portland Head Light and many other on- and off-shore lighthouses will be open.
- **Portland Head Light Tickets:**
  - People from all over the country start lining up at sunrise.
  - The Coast Guard begins handing out tickets at 8:45 AM.
  - Tickets are only available to those present in line.
- **Sponsors:** US Coast Guard, Maine Office of Tourism, and American Lighthouse Foundation.
- **Additional Information:** For details on all participating lighthouses, visit [lighthousefoundation.org](http://lighthousefoundation.org).