



Use of Camping Areas

Introduction

Council managed camping grounds are provided to the public for recreational and commercial purposes and it is the responsibility of all users to ensure that they utilise these facilities in the appropriate way, without interference to others.

Council's By-law No. 3 - Local Government Land By-Law 2024 sets out a number of prohibited activities and activities requiring permission on Local Government land, roads and the foreshore and provides the regulation for camping within the Kangaroo Island Council.

Council's By-law is in addition to existing state and federal laws and regulations which cover issues such as:

- ✓ public behaviour
- ✓ noise
- ✓ littering
- ✓ correct storage and disposal of rubbish, garbage, waste and wastewater
- ✓ biosecurity
- ✓ quarantine restrictions
- ✓ fire restrictions (including Total Fire Ban Days)
- ✓ native vegetation disturbance and interference
- ✓ animal, bird or marine creature treatment
- ✓ other unlawful activities

All Council's By-Laws are applicable and contain additional requirements, including in relation to:

- ✓ the flight or operation of a model or drone aircraft on council land
- ✓ management of cats and dogs

Users of council facilities are required to comply with the By-law as well as all signage and reasonable directions of authorised persons with respect to their use of any foreshore, local government land or road in relation to camping / remaining overnight.

Council has resolved specific areas to be designated as camping areas where users are permitted to camp / remain overnight in accordance with any conditions determined by the Council.



Conditions for use of camping areas
(By-law No. 3):

1. A person must not camp or remain overnight in a camping area without first having purchased a camping permit.
2. Campers must camp within their allocated camp site within the camping area and must not encroach on areas outside their camp site.
3. Camping permit holders are permitted to camp for no more than 10 consecutive nights in any one camping area.
4. Campers must leave designated camping area by 12:00pm on day of departure.
5. All comfort fires must be contained, located within their allocated camp site, and be no more than 1 metre in area with a 4 metre cleared space around and above the fire and must be extinguished when leaving the site. Campers must bring their own wood.
6. No fires at all on declared total fire ban days.
7. Excessive noise, intoxication, bad language or offensive behaviour will not be tolerated.
8. Generators are permitted within the camping area between 7:00am and 10:00pm only.
9. The speed limit within the camping area is 10 km/hr.
10. All Council Camping grounds will be closed on Catastrophic Fire Danger Days and all persons must leave.
11. Campers must respect their camp site, camping area, flora and fauna, other campers and all infrastructure within the camping area.
12. All rubbish and other waste must be removed on departure.



Additional Information

- Camping permits can be purchased:
 - Through the Booking Portal <https://book.kangarooisland.sa.gov.au/book>
 - Council Customer Services centre
- A pass purchased through Council does not cover camping in any national park. Please refer to www.parks.sa.gov.au
- Residents of Kangaroo Island may purchase an annual camping permit.
- People stay in sites at the campgrounds at their own risk. Council does not warrant or accept any liability for injury to persons and loss or damaged to property.
- Campers should give consideration to overhead vegetation when setting up campsites.
- Dump-Ezy's are provided at various locations across the Island, refer to Council's website for locations.
- Council camping areas are closed on Catastrophic Fire Danger Days.
- Information on Catastrophic Fire Danger Days, Fire Danger Ratings and Fire Danger Season are available at www.cfs.sa.gov.au
- Where possible, the use of liquid fuel or gas stoves is recommended.
- Showers are available at some camping areas (fees apply) – refer Council's website
- All Council camping areas are 'Dog On Leash' areas.
- Kangaroo Island has strict biosecurity measures – refer to https://pir.sa.gov.au/biosecurity/keeping_kangaroo_island_safe_from_pests_and_disease
- Some relevant clauses from By-laws include:
 - Campers must not interfere with any other persons using the camping area by making noise or creating a disturbance
 - Campers must not attach, hang or fix anything to a tree, plant, fence, post or other object where it might present a nuisance or danger to another person
 - Subject to the Native Vegetation Act 1991, and the National Parks and Wildlife Act 1972, campers must not damage, interfere with, disturb or remove any vegetation, or animal on the land
 - Campers must only use equipment, buildings, facilities or property belonging to the Council in the manner and for the purpose for which it was designed, constructed or intended to be used and in accordance with any conditions of use contained on signage
 - Campers must not dispose of anything obnoxious or offensive or put waste or rubbish in anything other than the rubbish bins provided for that purpose.
 - Campers must not obstruct any path or track or entrance on to the campground.
 - All vehicles (including boats and trailers) must be within the allocated camp site or in public carparking spaces.

History:		
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11 October 2016	1	New Terms and Conditions
9 March 2021	2	Revised
18 July 2024	3	Revised – new Local Government Land By-Law 2024 - by delegation of CEO
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