

Dogs in the Shoalhaven are required to be "on leash" at all times EXCEPT when in an "off leash area"



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24 Hour off-leash exercise area



Off-leash exercise area restricted times



Dogs Prohibited







# Off-Zeash Areas : 1



Shoalhaven City Council promotes the benefits of pets and encourages responsible pet ownership through the provision of harmonious and equitable access to parks and open space for dogs and their owners.

This guide provides information for pet owners on the location and use requirements of Off-Leash areas in the Shoalhaven Local Government Area.

Dogs are required to be "on leash" at all times EXCEPT when in an Off-Leash Area. Dogs are only permitted to be "off-leash" in designated Council managed areas and must be under the control of a competent person at all times.

Pet owners also need to be aware of the following:

- Restricted breed dogs or dogs declared dangerous or menacing are not permitted in off-leash areas;
- Person in charge of the dog must immediately remove the dog's faeces and properly dispose of them;
- A dog must have a collar around its neck and there must be attached
  to the collar a name tag that shows the name of the dog and the
  address or telephone number of the owner of the dog;
- All off-leash areas are regularly patrolled and all regulations enforced

On the spot penalties apply for non-compliance

Information in this document is accurate at the time of printing however may subsequently be updated. Please regularly check Shoalhaven City website to ensure you have the most updated version of this document.

http://www.shoalhaven.nsw.gov.au/My-property/Pet-ownership/Off-leash-areas

Scan the QR code below with your smartphone to link to the Shoalhaven Council's Off-Leash Area Information







#### Dogs are totally prohibited from entering these areas city wide:

- Within 10 metres of any children's playing apparatus or food preparation/consumption areas in public areas. This does not apply if the food preparation/consumption area is a public thoroughfare and where a 10 metre separation distance is not possible
- Public bathing and/or recreation areas where dogs are prohibited
- Within the grounds of any child care centre or school without the approval of the person in charge
- Shopping areas where dogs are prohibited
- Wildlife protection areas
- Shorebird nesting areas

These restrictions apply for the comfort, health and safety of residents and visitors, or for the protection of fauna and flora. See shorebirds page 6.







#### Shorebird Nesting Sites



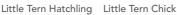
Between August and April, many threatened shorebirds use the Shoalhaven shoreline to nest and raise their young. These beach nesting birds are some of the most threatened in the world, their habit of nesting on the ground making them especially vulnerable. They may even abandon their nest simply because dogs are in close proximity. With care, you and your dog can have a huge impact on their survival.

- Share the shoreline by respecting 'Dog Prohibited' beach zones, designated to protect nesting sites of vulnerable shorebirds
- Look out for temporary signs that alert you to the presence of nesting birds or chicks
- Keep your dog on a leash on permitted beaches. Beach nesting birds & chicks perceive unleashed dogs as a great threat. Even if your dog isn't the type to chase, the birds don't know that!
- If you see little birds running swiftly along the beach or hear the larger birds calling out, please give these birds space. If it is spring or summer, chances are they have a nest or chicks nearby
- Disturbance to these birds can be lethal, the perceived threat of unleashed dogs causing them to leave the eggs or hide the chicks for dangerously long periods.

For more information contact the National Parks and Wildlife Service Shorebird Recovery Coordinator on (02) 4454 9500







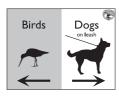




Pied Oystercatcher Nest

### Shorebird Nesting Sites





The location of nesting sites of threatened shorebirds vary from year to year. Look out for temporary signage indicating the presence of nesting birds or chicks.



#### ENDANGERED & VULNERABLE SHOREBIRDS



Hooded Plover



Pied Oystercatcher



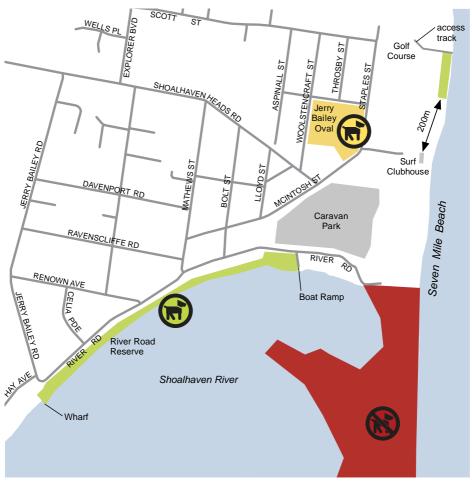
Sooty Oystercatcher



Little Tern

#### Shoalhaven Heads







Off-leash exercise area restricted times Jerry Bailey Oval

4pm - 8am - 1 Oct - 30 April 3pm - 10am - 1 May - 30 Sept



24 Hour off-leash exercise area Beach area 200m north of Surf Clubhouse to access track River Road Reserve



Dogs Prohibited Endangered shore bird nest site

### Berry







24 Hour off-leash exercise area signposted areas in Berry Sporting Complex

#### Bomaderry







24 Hour off-leash exercise area areas of Bomaderry Sporting Complex when not being used by sporting groups.

# Nowra Showground \*\* !





24 Hour off-leash exercise area Nowra Showground north of Worrigee St excluding picnic areas, tennis courts, areas within 10m of buildings, and during major events. (Note that Ben's Walk is on-leash)

## Worrigee







24 Hour off-leash exercise area Ratcliff Park south of the footpath when not being used by sporting groups.

#### Culburra Beach







Off-leash exercise area restricted times on foreshore reserve and beach (Park Row to Tilbury Cove)

4pm - 8am - 1 Oct - 30 April

3pm - 10am - 1 May - 30 Sept.



Dogs Prohibited Endangered shore bird nest site

#### Currarong







Off-leash exercise area restricted times Currarong Beach (from the creek to

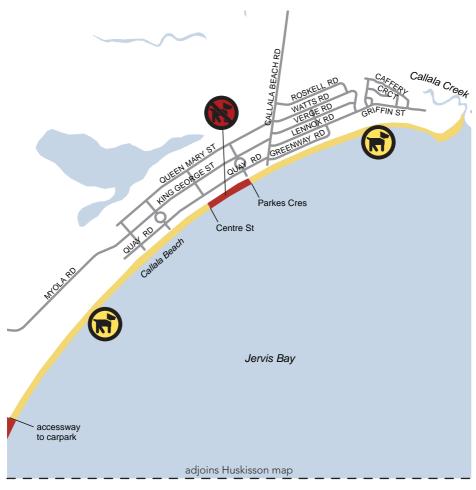
Peel St)

4pm - 8am - 1 Oct - 30 April

3pm - 10am - 1 May - 30 Sept.

#### Callala Beach







Off-leash exercise area restricted times
Callala Beach

4pm - 8am - 1 Oct - 30 April 3pm - 10am - 1 May - 30 Sept.



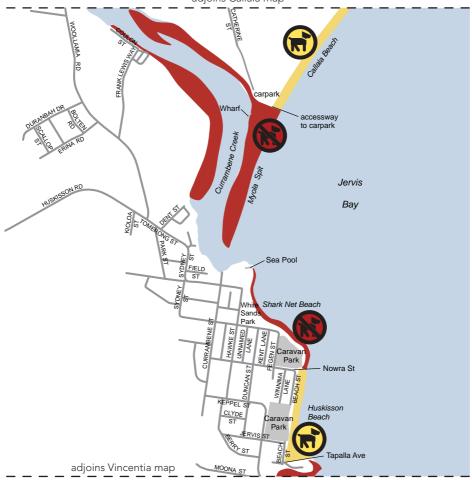
Dogs Prohibited Areas

- Callala Beach between Parkes Cres and Centre St
- Southern end of Callala Beach, south of the Beach Rd car park at Myola

#### Huskisson



adjoins Callala map



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Off-leash exercise area restricted times Huskisson Beach

4pm - 8am - 1 Oct - 30 April

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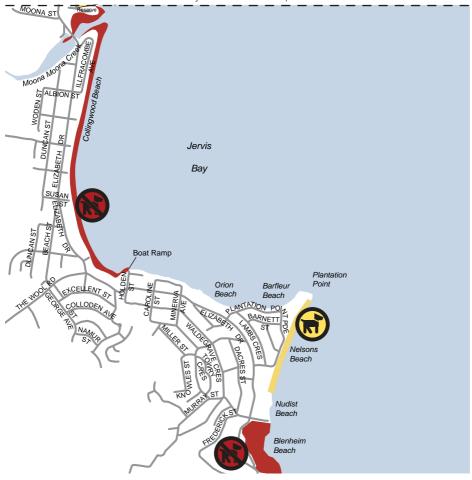


Dogs Prohibited Areas

#### Vincentia



adjoins Huskisson map



Off-leash exercise area restricted times Nelsons Beach

4pm - 8am - 1 Oct - 30 April 3pm - 10am - 1 May - 30 Sept.



Dogs Prohibited Areas Collingwood Beach - prohibited area excludes the cycleway, which is an on-leash area. Please note that west of the cycleway is also a prohibited area.

#### Sanctuary Point







24 Hour off-leash fenced exercise area Clifton Park



Dogs Prohibited Area Palm Beach to John Williams reserves including Red Head Reserve

#### Basin View







24 Hour off-leash exercise area Basin View Boat Ramp Reserve west of the boat ramp

#### Swan Zake







#### Berrara





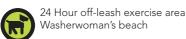


Dogs Prohibited Area Berrara Beach - endangered shore bird nest site

#### Bendalong









#### Lake Conjola







Dogs Prohibited Area Beachside, north from beach access board walk including sand spit Lakeside, from boat ramp to sand spit Endangered shore bird nest site

#### Milton



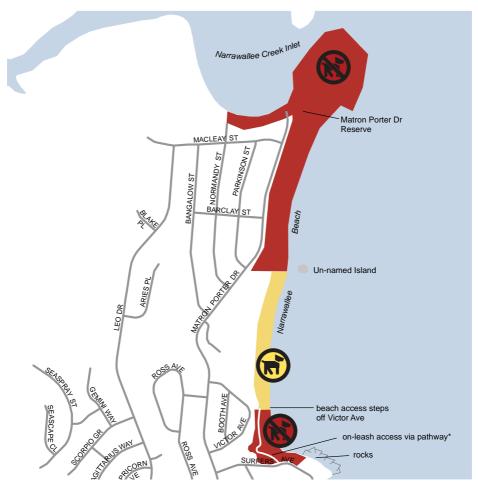




24 Hour off-leash exercise area Milton Showground, excluding showring and livestock yards, when no major events are on

#### Narrawallee







Dogs Prohibited Area Northern and Southern areas of Narawallee Beach

\* Dogs on leash 10m wide access way between Surfers Ave and off-leash area



Off-leash exercise area restricted times Narrawallee Beach designated area 4pm - 8am - 1 Oct - 30 April

3pm - 10am - 1 May - 30 Sept.

#### Mollymook Beach







Dogs Prohibited Area Northern and Southern areas of Mollymook Beach

\* Dogs on leash permitted on shared pathway only within Mollymook Beach Reserve area between Blackwattle Creek and the Mollymook Beach Golf Club



Off-leash exercise area restricted times Grassed area of Bill Andriske Oval of road reserve to southeast of buildings and playing fields

4pm - 8am - 1 Oct - 30 April 3pm - 10am - 1 May - 30 Sept.

# Mollymook/Illladulla:

adjoins Mollymook map





24 Hour off-leash exercise area Collers Beach and Ulladulla Harbour Northern Beach when no major events are on

#### Lake Tabourie

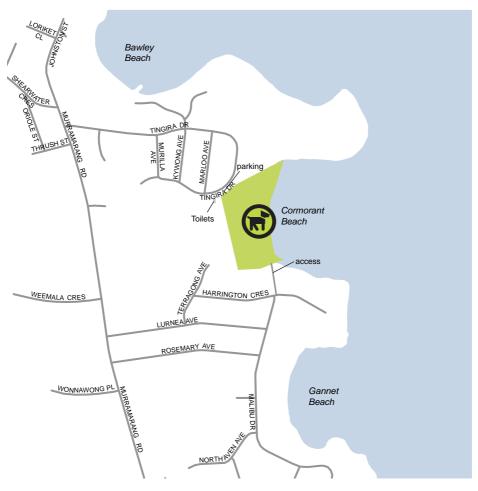






## Bawley Point







# Useful Contacts # # (Fig.)

Companion Animals – Ranger Services 4429 3433

Shoalhaven Animal Shelter and Pound 19 Nowra Hill Road (off BTU Road), Nowra Hill. 4429 3410

Shoalhaven Visitors Centres
Nowra 4421 0778 Ulladulla 4455 1269

- Animal Welfare League 0429 429 885
- RSPCA 1300 278 3589 or 1300 cruelty
- Wildlife Rescue 0418 427 214
- National Parks and Wildlife Service Shorebird Recovery Coordinator on (02) 4454 9500

#### Companion Animals Act

http://www.austlii.edu.au/au/legis/nsw/consol\_act/caa1998174/

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This guide shows areas that Council rangers can enforce under the Companion Animals Act. This guide is reviewed and amended regularly, please check the Shoalhaven City Council website for up to date info. http://www.shoalhaven.nsw.gov.au/My-property/Pet-ownership/Off-leash-areas







