

Responsible Directorate	Community Development
Responsible Business Unit/s	Recreation and Leisure Services
Responsible Officer	Manager Recreation and Leisure Services
Affected Business Unit/s	Community Safety Parks and Sustainability

Objective

The City will endeavour to minimise the risks associated with the interaction between the various ocean and beach recreational activities on those reserves along the City’s coastline that the City has accepted the management, care and control over.

Scope

This policy shall apply to all recreational activities conducted along the City’s coastline including, but not limited to, kite and wind surfing, jet ski operation, fishing, animal exercising, surfing, swimming and similar related activities.

Policy

To ensure potential risks between differing user groups are minimised, and to that extent, a safer coastline environment is provided for all users, the City shall:

- Establish exclusion zones and time frames where activities are prohibited;
- Restrict activities to designated areas;
- Set aside areas where an activity is permitted but not of an exclusive nature;
- Erect signage indicating the nature of any exclusion zones and restrictions;
- Provide beach patrols to monitor beach activities and to ensure that those activities conform to the permitted use in the designated area, and;
- Determine the classification of activities as “high”, “medium” or “low conflict” as to the potential for causing conflict with other beach users.

Classifications

High Conflict: those activities that may be considered unpredictable by their nature, may involve high speeds and sharp turns, involve bulky gear and equipment and are likely to pose a hazard to others.

Medium Conflict: those activities that are relatively predictable and may pose a hazard to others.

Low Conflict: those activities that are unlikely to pose a threat to others, are predictable and passive by nature.

The following table sets out the classifications for some of the most common beach and water recreational activities:

High Conflict	Medium Conflict	Low Conflict
Kite Surfing	Fishing	Running
Wind Surfing	Surfing	Walking
Jet Skiing	Body Boarding	Swimming
Dog Exercise	Kayaking	Snorkelling

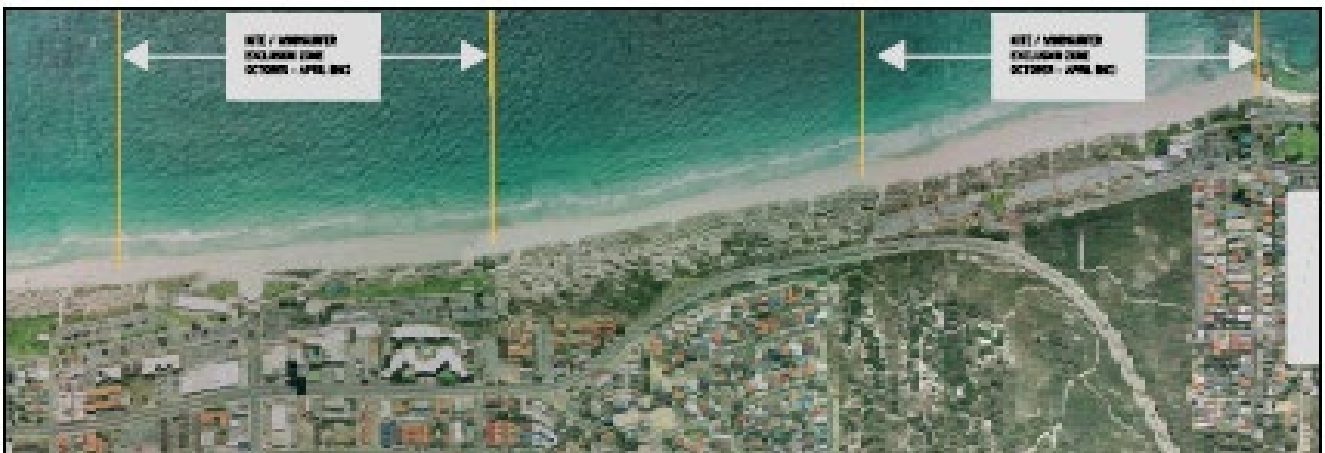
Exclusion Zones and Restrictions

Restrictions on these activities shall apply at specified times as follows:

Kite Surfing / Wind Surfing

These activities are prohibited in the following areas from 1 October to 30 April inclusive:

- North of Colin Street (Brighton Beach) Drain; southwards from the prolongation of a line westwards from Reserve Street, Scarborough and 200 metres westwards from the low tide mark.
- North from the prolongation of a line westwards from the southern most end of the No 3 carpark Trigg; south of the Trigg Boat Ramp and 200 metres westwards from the low tide mark. (Refer Appendix 1)



SCARBOROUGH / TRIGG KITE & WINDSURFER EXCLUSION ZONES
APPENDIX 1

Jet Skiing

Prohibited within 200 metres of the low tide mark along the entire length of the City’s coastline (note Department of Transport regulations also apply).

Dog Exercise

Permitted only within the following locations:

- Peasholm Street Dog Beach – extending 200 metres northwards from the City’s southern boundary at Peasholm Street, Scarborough.
- Bennion Street Beach – extending northwards from the prolongation of a line west from Kathleen Street, Trigg to the prolongation of a line extending west from Bennion Street, Trigg.
- Ada Street Dog Beach – extending northwards from the prolongation of a line west of the southern side of Castle Street to the prolongation of a line west of the northern side of Margaret Street, Watermans Bay. (Refer Appendix 2)



ANIMAL EXERCISE ZONES
APPENDIX 2

Whilst fishing is classified as “medium conflict” in general, fishing in the pool area of Mettams Pool poses a high risk to users of this area. Therefore an exclusion zone to people fishing is applicable to the pool area of Mettams Pool. (Refer Appendix 3)



METTAMS POOL - FISHING PROHIBITED
APPENDIX 3

Note: the City reserves the right to alter the times and areas of these exclusion zones and restrictions subject to prevailing conditions and circumstances.

Definitions

Nil

Relevant management practices/documents

Surf Skills Coaching Lessons Policy

Legislation/local law requirements

City of Stirling Local Government Property Local Law 2009
Navigable Waters Regulations 1958

Office use only			
Relevant delegations	Not applicable		
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