WELCOME TO SHANKLIN BEACH

Shanklin beach forms part of Sandown Bay which is famous for its sandy beaches and safe bathing areas. Beach activities cater for all tastes with the Town’s amenities close by. The beach is well served by Longshoreman providing traditional and modern leisure pursuits. Shanklin town centre is only a short walk away from the seafront via the lift.

There is Water Safety Zoning to ensure that bathers and recreational users are separated.

During the summer season Shanklin beach is machine cleaned and litter picked on a daily basis and large amounts of seaweed are removed and taken to local farmers for use as compost. Emergency equipment such as Lifebelts are strategically located along the Esplanade in order to ensure safety at any time of the year. The Inshore Rescue is also close at hand and are always on call by the Coastguard.

Shanklin is a popular site for water sports of all kinds and you can be sure of either taking part or just watching the local enthusiasts having safe fun.

Since 1996 Shanklin has not only been able to fly the Blue Flag but has also been successful in displaying its Water Quality and Quality Coast Award.

Like anywhere, Shanklin has its natural hazards so be sure to read the safety guidelines and have a good time. Information is provided at each area so check the tide timetables to ensure your own safety.

For further information on this resort please phone 01983 821000. Someone is always available from Monday to Friday to help you with your enquiries.
Should you need to report a problem such as broken glass or damage to premises, the Isle of Wight Council provides an emergency service for these type of problems. The number to call out of hours is 01983 821105.

This access statement does not contain personal opinions as to our suitability for those with access needs, but aims to accurately describe the facilities and services that we offer all our guests/visitors.

Access Statement for Shanklin, Isle of Wight

Introduction

With its golden sands, safe bathing areas and excellent facilities, Shanklin forms part of the beautiful Sandown bay. A particular favorite for families with its many activities. One of the island's most popular resorts, Shanklin offers a wide range of facilities for children, such as crazy golf, trampolines and an adventure play area. The beach is well served by long-shoremen providing traditional and modern leisure pursuits including sailing, motorboat and canoe hire. Shanklin Theatre is just a short walk away from the seafront where a public lift helps visitors reach the top of the cliff.

Pre-Arrival

For details of how to reach us please see full details on our website by visiting www.iwight.com/just_visiting alternatively you can plan your journey by car or public transport using www.transportdirect.info and by entering your postcode and ours, which is PO36

The nearest railway station is approximately 30 mins leisurely walk to the beach but can be made simple by hopping on the bus which will drop you onto the esplanade.

The transport service is also complimented with the land train service which runs between Sandown and Shanklin for the summer season.

By visiting our own website you can also find details of cycle hire, car rental and the best walks on the Island.

Transport is also complimented with the availability of the cliff lift which will take you to the theatre and adjoining shops.
Car Parking and Arrival

Ample parking is available with on street parking as well as 3 car parks which can accommodate up to 266 vehicles.

6 Disabled spaces are available in the car parks and 4 on the street.

Parking charges are displayed at each car park as well as on the ticket machines.

Areas Adjacent to the Beach

The promenade is pedestrians only with the highway running alongside.

Numerous shelters and seating facilities are located along the promenade.

Numerous crossings.

Beach Access Points

There are numerous access points to the beach along Shanklin Esplanade. These consist of concrete slipways which allow wheel chair and push chair users to enter onto the sand. In addition to this both concrete and wooden steps are provided all of which hold the necessary handrails to make access safe.

On the Beach

The beach at Shanklin is mainly made up of sand with an area of shingle towards the southern end of the beach.

This location is popular to bathers as well as water sport activity. To reduce the level of conflict a beach management zoning is in place. This consists of 200 meter marker buoys denoting restrictions of speed within this limit. Launching lanes are placed for launch and recovery of vessels. Information relating to Pleasure boat regulations can be found by way of signage along the Esplanade. The same can also be found by visiting www.iwight.co./just_visiting.

First aid supply points are available during the summer between May and September each. Location of these can be found at the beach information point.
Public Toilets

W/C facilities are clearly signed and can be found at 3 locations along the Esplanade. The first can be found adjacent to the putting green which is opposite Hope Beach. The second is located behind the Spa car park which is opposite the Pier Apron and the third is at the southern end behind Lazy Waves Cafes. The number of available cubicles in total is 25 with 11 urinals and 2 disabled facilities.

Food & Drink Outlets

Catering outlets are in abundance at Shanklin. Travelling south along the Esplanade you can find a beach kiosk which offers light snacks and soft drinks. Opposite this facility is the Esplanade Gardens Cafe who provide hot meals and alcoholic beverages. On the same side as the Gardens you can find many hotels and restaurants who cater to both residents and the general public.

Additional Information

The award section of Shanklin beach is a dog free location with prohibitions that apply between May and September inclusive.

Those wishing to take dogs onto the sand; there are permitted areas for this purpose.

For full details of the Isle of Wight Dog control orders please follow the link to http://www.iwight.com/dogorders/

Contact Information

We look forward to welcoming you. If you have any queries or require any assistance please phone 01983 821000 or email tricia.stillman@iow.gov.uk.

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