



SAY **No** TO DOG FOULING ON THE ISLE OF WIGHT

Dog mess on the streets and in our parks, gardens, footpaths and play areas is a major concern.

The Isle of Wight Council wants everyone to take a stand against dog fouling in their own neighbourhood.

You can report offenders to the Environment Officers team, providing as much of the following information as possible :

- The location and times that offences are being committed
- A description of the dog
- A description of the owner

These details will be used by the Environment Officers to target their patrols.

The more information you provide, the more likely it is that offenders will be caught and issued with a Fixed Penalty Notice of £75.



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Report those who don't bag it and bin it to the Environment Officers. Call the council on (01983) 821000 or email dogwardens@iow.gov.uk

An Isle of Wight beach guide for dog owners



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INTRODUCTION

Many people enjoy walking their dogs on our beautiful Isle of Wight beaches but between 1 May and 30 September, dogs are not permitted on certain areas of our resort beaches.

During this time, you must comply with the council's Dog Control Orders covering the regulation of dogs on our beaches and esplanades and the removal of canine faeces on beaches, esplanades and public parks and gardens. Failure to comply with the control orders is an offence and liable to a fine.

This leaflet covers the main details of the Dogs Exclusion (Isle of Wight) Order 2008, amended, which came into force on 1 May 2010. There is more information on the council's website, www.iwight.com.

Please note that dog prohibited beaches include any slope or staircase leading to that beach. Notices of the dog exclusion area are also posted close to the beach itself. If you're not sure whether your dog can spend time playing in the surf, please check car park entrances and access points to the beach for information boards before heading for the beach.

It's worth bearing in mind that Blue Flag beaches are unlikely to allow dogs on beaches. If you're a dog-owner, check out the gooddogguide.com, which will tell you just where your pet is welcome.

Please note that Isle of Wight Council Dog Control Orders also apply to public parks, recreation grounds and gardens. A full list is available on iwight.com or from Recreation, Leisure and Public Spaces, Enterprise House, St Cross Business Park, Monks Brook, Newport PO30 5WB (Tel 01983 821000).

DOGS ON LEADS

Throughout the year, no person shall permit a dog to be on any road or adjacent pavement or verge unless the dog is held on a lead and is restrained from behaviour giving reasonable grounds for annoyance.

ASSISTANCE DOGS

Registered assistance dogs are permitted on beaches throughout the year, providing they are working and with their owner.

Assistance dogs include :

- **Guide dogs** assist people who are blind or are visually impaired.
- **Hearing Dogs** assist people who are deaf or are hearing impaired.
- **Support Dogs/dogs for the disabled** A support dog can be trained to do many other tasks, which their owner may find difficult or impossible

More information on assistance dogs can be found at www.assistedogs.org.uk.



Dog exclusion areas

Colwell Bay

The beach from the western edge of the slipway to Warden Point.

Compton Bay

This beach is managed by the National Trust—please contact them for up-to-date information about dogs. The website is www.nationaltrust.org.uk, or ☎ (01983) 741020.

Cowes

The beach from the public slipway at the bottom of Egypt Hill, eastwards to a point immediately north of the eastern edge of Princes Green, from the promenade walk .

East Cowes

From the slipway opposite the toilets on the esplanade up to the first set of steps past the toilets, between the groynes.

Freshwater Bay

The beach from the wooden slipway on the promenade to the steps in front of the Albion Hotel.

Gurnard

The beach from the eastern edge of the public slipway at the junction of Shore Road and the promenade walk eastwards to the edge of the groyne adjacent to the Princes Esplanade fountain.

Ryde

The beach immediately east of the Ryde Harbour boundary wall eastwards to Appley Tower.

All areas extend to mean low water mark unless otherwise specified

Sandown

The beach southwards from the groyne opposite Fort Street and Sandham Grounds for approx 1634 metres (approx 1.01 miles), to the public conveniences adjacent to Lake slipway.

Shanklin

The beach from the Chine to the southern edge of the first groyne along the Sandown/Shanklin revetment adjacent to the existing café.

Seaview and Springvale

The beach from the flood gate directly at the bottom of Puckpool Hill at its junction with Springvale Road, eastwards to the flood gate opposite Oakhill Road next to the Duver Road tollgate.

Totland

The beach from the western edge of the pier to the edge of the esplanade in line with the restaurant .

Ventnor

The beach from the bandstand at the bottom of the Cascade to the western edge of the Spyglass Inn.

Whitecliff Bay, Bembridge

This is managed by the owners of Whitecliff Bay Holiday Park, who prohibit dogs at all times of the year

Yaverland

The beach from the slipway at the far end of Yaverland car park to a point approx 225 metres to the western edge of the car park, adjacent to the steps and groyne past the café.