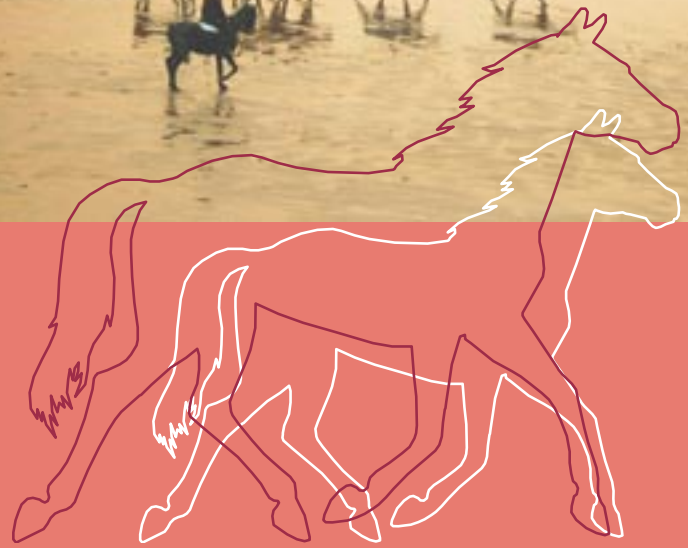




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The City of Onkaparinga's 35km of pristine coastline offers abundant choice for the beach lover. This includes a unique level of access for horses on beaches in particular areas.

Please assist to keep our beaches beautiful, clean and safe by following the simple guidelines when taking your horse to the beach.

Coastal Beach Access

All foreshore beach areas **MUST** be entered via the dedicated beach ramp point or designated signed corridors.

Access for horses is provided at a variety of locations along the coast. Horse access times can vary depending on the location and months of the year. Horse access is permitted on the following:

Southern Beaches:

- Maslin Beach
- Aldinga Beach
- Sellicks Beach
- Port Willunga
- Silver Sands

Times: Between midnight and 9am during the summer months from 1st October to 30th April inclusive. 24 hour access is available during the winter months 1st May to 30th September inclusive.

Northern Beaches:

- O'Sullivan Beach
- Port Noarlunga
- Southport
- Christies Beach
- Moana

Times: Between midnight and 9am - all year.

Limited Access Points

- For reasons of public safety some conditions apply to a number of access points as follows:
- Christies Beach boat ramp not to be used as an access point
- Horses should not access the beach from any other council coastal reserve between Pedlar Creek and the council's southern boundary.

Safety

For the safety of the public and horse users it is important to pay attention to how you control your horse on the beach. Generally horses should be ridden at a safe speed at all times and in a manner that does not endanger the safety of any other person in the area. Horse riders should not unduly interfere with the peace, comfort or convenience of other users of the foreshore. Horses should be ridden at walking pace within 50m of other (non-equestrian) users of the foreshore.

To ensure the preservation of the coastal protection areas horses are not permitted within 10m of dunes, vegetated areas or cliff faces.

Dog Off-lead Exercise Areas

Dog off-lead exercise areas are located at a number of sites along the foreshore. Horses are prohibited from a number of dog off-lead exercise areas. These are:

- Moana
- Southport
- Port Noarlunga
- Christies Beach
- O'Sullivan Beach

Cleaning Up After Your Horse

It is important for all horse owners to consider minimising the impact that your horse has on the beach, environment and ecosystem by cleaning up your horse's manure. This will assist to keep our beaches clean and more acceptable for beach goers.

There is a variety of uses and methods that can be used. For further information on cleaning up and re-using your manure go to www.horsesa.asn.au

Please refer any queries in relation to horse access on beaches to Council's Ranger Services on 8384 0730.

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