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Seashore Rules

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Title.

1. These Rules may be cited as the Seashore Rules.

Interpretation.

2. In these Rules–

"seashore" means any beach including the foreshore thereto.

Booths, tents, etc.

3.(1) The Minister charged with responsibility for the environment may set apart any part of the seashore for the erection or placing of booths, tents, beach umbrellas with or without screens, sheds, stands, huts and stalls (whether fixed or movable), for the sale or exposure of any article or thing, shows, exhibitions, swings, roundabouts or other erections, vans or other vehicles, whether drawn or propelled by animals, persons or mechanical power.

(2) Where any part of the seashore has been set apart under the provisions of subrule (1)–

(a) the fact of such setting apart shall be notified by notices affixed in conspicuous positions on the seashore and the Minister may provide that of the part set apart no one shall occupy or use any portion other than under the provisions of a permit; and

(b) the Minister may issue to any person a permit, subject to such terms and conditions as he thinks fit, to occupy or use any portion of the seashore so set apart for occupation or use of which a permit is required.

Prohibition.

4.(1) Where any part of the seashore has been set apart in accordance with the provisions of rule 3 no person shall

(a) on any other part of the seashore do anything for which part of the seashore has been set aside, or

(b) enter upon, occupy or use such part set aside except in accordance with the terms and conditions of a permit.

(2) A person who contravenes the provisions of this rule is guilty of an offence.

Games.

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5. Where any part of the seashore has, by notices affixed in conspicuous positions on the seashore, been set apart by the Government for the playing of such games (involving the exclusive use of any space by the players) as may be specified in the notice–

(i) no person shall play any game so specified on any other part of the seashore;

(ii) no person shall use or attempt to use any such part so as to interfere with or cause annoyance to any person already using such part for any purpose for which it has been set apart.

Fees.

6. Such fees may be charged in respect of any of the matters referred to in rules 3 and 5 as the Government shall specify by notice in the Gazette.

Ball games prohibited at Catalan Bay.

7. The playing of ball games on the seashore at Catalan Bay is prohibited.

Noisy instruments.

8. No person shall ring any bell or sound any gong or blow any horn or trumpet or use any other noisy instrument including a radio or television receiver on the seashore to the annoyance of any person using the seashore.

Prohibition on dogs.

9.(1) No person shall cause or suffer any dog belonging to him or being in his charge to be on the seashore at any time.

(1A) Sub-rule (1) shall not apply to the area northwards of the middle groyne at Eastern Beach, during the period 1st November to 15th March.

(2) Any dog in respect of which an offence is being committed under this rule may (in the absence of the owner or other person having the custody thereof) be seized and impounded as a stray animal under section 24 of the Animals and Birds Act.

Broken glass, etc.

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10. No person shall throw, place or wilfully leave on the seashore any glass, china or earthenware article (whole or broken) or tins in such a position as to be likely to cause injury to any person using the seashore.

Ashes, filth, etc.

11. No person shall wilfully throw or deposit on the seashore any ashes, cinders, rubbish, litter or filth of any kind.

Indecent dress.

12. No person shall bathe from or sunbathe on the seashore without wearing a dress or covering sufficient to prevent indecent exposure of the person.

Changing on the seashore.

13. No person shall change on the seashore in such a manner that his person is indecently exposed.

Aqua stations

13A.(1) A person shall only use, climb onto or swim in the immediate vicinity of the structures known as Aqua stations when an official lifeguard is on duty at or on the Aqua station.

(2) All persons using or swimming in the immediate vicinity of an Aqua station must follow the instructions of the lifeguard on duty at that station, in particular in relation to the number of persons using it or swimming near it at any one time and in relation to behaviour on or near the station.

Swimming pools.

14. No person over the age of twelve years shall use the children's swimming pools at Camp Bay.

Camp Bay swimming Pool.

14A. No person shall use the swimming pool at Camp Bay when it is closed to the public; in particular no person shall climb over or through the fence surrounding the pool.

Paddling pools.

15. No person over the age of seven years shall use the toddler's paddling pools at Camp Bay or Little Bay.

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Wilfully obstructing police officers, etc.

16. No person shall on the seashore wilfully obstruct, disturb or interrupt any police officer or other officer of the Government in the proper discharge of his duties or any person employed by the Government in the proper execution of any work connected with the improvement, maintenance or regulation of the seashore.

Penalty.

17. A person who offends against any provision of these Rules is liable on summary conviction to a fine at level 4 on the standard scale.

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