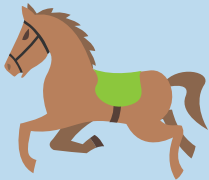


# Beaches and our Byelaws

## What is a Byelaw?

Byelaws are local laws that have been put in place to keep our residents, visitors and amazing coastline safe. There are a variety of Byelaws along the Thanet coast. Breaking these can result in you **facing prosecution**.

### Horses on beaches



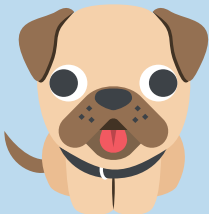
From 1 May to 30 September horses are not allowed on any beaches between 9am and 7pm. Outside of these dates, they are allowed at any time.

### Cycling on the promenade



Whilst cycling is allowed on the promenade, seasonal restrictions are in place from 1 May to 30 September. Please make sure you follow the instructions on the signs.

### Dogs on beaches



From 1 May to 30 September restrictions are in place. Check the bay information points for more details. Outside of these dates, dogs are allowed at any time.

### Vehicles on the promenade and beaches



Vehicles are not allowed to drive or park on the promenades or beaches, unless permission is given by the council.

### Launching jet skis and watercraft



To launch any watercraft along our coast you must be a member of the Water User Group, or of another club recognised by the council, and use designated launch sites.

### Bonfires and barbecues



Bonfires are not allowed on any of our beaches or promenades. Barbecues are allowed on beaches after 6pm.

### Preaching, lectures, music and entertainment



The use of the promenades or beaches to preach, lecture, perform music or entertainment is not allowed, unless permission is given by the council.

### Ball games



Ball games are allowed in most areas along our promenades and beaches. However, where there are signs that say they're not please respect this.

### Booths and tents



Overnight camping is not allowed on any of our promenades or beaches.

Further important details on the rules can be found at [thanet.gov.uk/beaches](https://www.thanet.gov.uk/beaches)