

Central Hawke's Bay District Council CAMPING POLICY	POLICY MANUAL	
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Camping Grounds Policy

1. Council will ensure Camping Ground facilities are available within Central Hawke's Bay District.
2. Council, wherever possible, will transfer the camping ground facilities to a private enterprise.
3. Council will not seek to develop new facilities.

Freeholding of Waipukurau Camping Ground Policy

That Council does not seek to freehold the land which has the Waipukurau Camping Ground sited on it and provides for a long-term lease of the site.

Campgrounds are located at -

- Kairakau Beach - with a licence to occupy granted to the Kairakau Development Society
- Pouterere Beach - leased to a Private Manager who operates the camp ground
- Blackhead Beach - leased to the Blackhead Beach Camping Society
- Te Paerahi - 'freedom' camp with minimal facilities
- Waipukurau Holiday Park - leased to a Private Manager

'Free' Camping Policy

Conditions under which permission will be granted for camping on public reserves and public places under Council jurisdiction are as follows:

Casual 'free' camping will be permitted in the following places:

1. **Te Paerahi Beach (Porangahau)** - In the Council owned 'free camp' area situated on the corner of Te Paerahi Street and Puketauhinu Place.
2. **Kairakau Beach** - Fully certified 'self contained' motor homes **ONLY** are permitted to overnight stay on the area of mown grass at the northern end of Kairakau Beach Road (past the new public toilet) beyond the vehicle turning area plus the small area just before the end of the road. The area allowed to be used is clearly signposted. Any other form of camping on any other 'Council' land at Kairakau Beach is **NOT ALLOWED**.
3. **Pouterere Beach** - Where signposted. **Please note:** following community concerns Council has agreed to substitute 'free' camping at Pouterere Beach during the peak summer holiday season for a system of allocated camping overseen by a community committee from 2004/2005. From 17 December until 6 February each year a \$35.00 'permit application fee' applies. For the rest of the year permits must be obtained from Council for any camping at Pouterere Beach but no charge will apply.

4. **Aramoana Beach** – Fully certified ‘self contained’ motor homes **ONLY** are permitted to overnight stay in the clearly signposted area at the end of the public car park area near to the public toilets. Three (3) parks have been allocated for this activity.

*(This in effect excludes all other places such as Whangaehu, Mangakuri and Blackhead Beaches. Camping is also **not** allowed on the ‘local purpose reserve’ at the northern end of the existing Blackhead Beach Public Camping Ground.)*

The following conditions **MUST** be observed:

- a) Pourerere Beach users **MUST** obtain a permit. Casual campers at other areas must notify the Council’s Bylaw Officer of their name, address and contact phone number, their intended location and length of stay. The length of stay will normally not exceed seven (7) days.
- b) A camp site must be set up in such a way that there is no interference or damage to sand hills, trees or other vegetation growth. No permanent structures will be permitted.
- c) Campers must leave the site clean and tidy and take all waste and waste water with them.

Suitable signs will be erected advising public of:

- (i) areas where camping is permitted; and
- (ii) areas where camping is not permitted.