

STATE OF CALIFORNIA
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION
ORANGE COAST DISTRICT

DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT'S POSTED ORDER No. 925-10-018
SPECIAL-USE AREAS – VESSEL OPERATION RESTRICTIONS

In order to promote public health and safety and natural resource protection, and in accordance with Harbors and Navigation Code sections 655(a), 651(v) and Public Resources Code section 5003.05, the water area extending parallel from the mean high tide line seaward to 1,000 feet within the park units of the Orange Coast District are designated Special-Use Areas and are restricted to vessel usage as follows:

A. No person shall operate, launch, beach, weigh anchor or cast off a vessel [as defined by H&N 651(aa)], in any park unit of the Orange Coast District within the Special-Use Area unless otherwise specified as follows:

1. San Onofre State Beach - In accordance with Section 4326, Title 14, California Code of Regulations, the water area, extending from the high water mark water-ward 1,000 feet, along the entire length of beach known as San Onofre Surf Beach, from the northwest boundary of the Military Enlisted Men's Beach extending southeast to the "Dog Patch" surf break, is declared a prohibited area to all vessels (ref. Definition Harbors & Navigation Code Sec. 651 & 651.1), except law enforcement, lifeguard, research and commercial fishing vessels, while in the performance of their official duties.

From the area known as the "Dog Patch" surf break extending to the southeast to the southern-most park boundary at Trail 6, launching or beaching of human powered paddle assisted vessels (kayaks, surf skis, wave skis, and stand-up paddleboards) shall be permitted. No other vessels may operate, launch or beach in this area. The boundary of the launching and beaching zone is defined from the water by signs indicating "O" and "K" visible from the ocean. If read as "OK", the reader is in the permitted area. If read as "KO", the reader is in the prohibited area.

The launching and beaching of paddle assisted vessels is subject to "blackball" closures as indicated by lifeguard tower flag and beach boundary marker designations.

2. Crystal Cove State Park - Human and otherwise powered vessels are permitted within the Special-Use Area of Crystal Cove State Park provided they are in compliance with the California Harbors and Navigation Code, and with the following restrictions:
 - (a) From the area of Abalone Point (El Moro Cove) to Muddy Creek, from the south end of the Historical District (Crystal Cove) to the northern most end of Treasure Cove, launching of, and beaching of paddle assisted vessels (kayaks, surf skis, wave skis, and stand-up paddleboards) shall be permitted. No other vessels may launch or beach in this area. The boundary of the launch zone is subject to "blackball" closures as indicated by lifeguard tower flag and beach boundary marker designations.

3. Doheny State Beach – In accordance with Section 4326, Title 14, California Code of Regulations, the water area, extending from the high water mark water-ward 1,000 feet, along the entire length of beach known as Doheny State Beach, from the northwest boundary of the park at North Creek, extending southeast to the park boundary at Capistrano County Beach, is declared a prohibited area to all vessels (ref. Definition Harbors & Navigation Code Sec. 651 & 651.1), except law enforcement, lifeguard, research and commercial fishing vessels, while in the performance of their official duties.

From the area known as “Thor’s Hammer” extending to the southeast to the southern-most park boundary at Capistrano County Beach, launching or beaching of human powered paddle assisted vessels (kayaks, surf skis, wave skis, and stand-up paddleboards) shall be permitted. No other vessels may operate, launch, or beach in this area. The launching and beaching of paddle assisted vessels is subject to “blackball” closures as indicated by lifeguard tower flag and beach boundary marker designations.

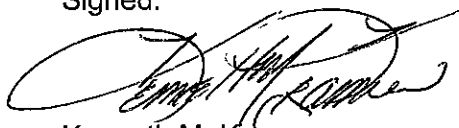
4. San Clemente State Beach – The launching of, and beaching of paddle assisted vessels (kayaks, surf skis, wave skis, and stand-up paddleboards) shall be permitted. No other vessels may launch or beach or operate in this area. The launching and beaching of paddle assisted vessels is subject to “blackball” closures as indicated by lifeguard tower flag and beach boundary marker designations.
5. Huntington State Beach – The launching of, and beaching of paddle assisted vessels (kayaks, surf skis, wave skis, and stand-up paddleboards) shall be permitted. No other vessels may launch or beach or operate in this area. The launching and beaching of paddle assisted vessels is subject to “blackball” closures as indicated by lifeguard tower flag and beach boundary marker designations.
6. Bolsa Chica State Beach – The launching of, and beaching of paddle assisted vessels (kayaks, surf skis, wave skis, and stand-up paddleboards) shall be permitted. No other vessels may launch or beach in this area. The launching and beaching of paddle assisted vessels is subject to “blackball” closures as indicated by lifeguard tower flag and beach boundary marker designations.
7. Vessels actively engaged in legal sport fishing activities will be permitted within the Special-Use Area provided their presence does not immediately endanger life, limb and property of any person and are not deemed to be within the surf zone or within 200’ of any bather as defined by H&N 651.1.

- B. Law Enforcement, lifeguard, and/or vessels engaged in rescue operations, scientific research or commercial fishing are permitted within the Special-Use Area in the performance of their official duties.

Exceptions to this order may only be granted in writing by the District Superintendent, or his designee, Orange Coast District, 3030 Avenida Del Presidente, San Clemente, California 92672.

Nothing herein shall affect any existing concession contract, private contract, or property rights. Nothing herein shall be construed in derogation of any existing law, rule, or regulation. Copies of this order have been filed with the Division of Park Operations, Sacramento, California 95814.

Signed:



Kenneth M. Kramer
District Superintendent
Orange Coast District

04-1-2010
Date

Authority:

State of California, Public Resources Code, Section 5008, and 5003.05.

California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Section 4657, 4326.

State of California, Harbors & Navigation Code, Sections 651(v), 651.1, 655(a), 655(aa)

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