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Boating and water sports

in Tasman District 2023/2024

**LIFEJACKETS ONLY
WORK WHEN YOU
ARE WEARING THEM**



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LEGEND:



Unformed, no fee



Hard concourse, fee applies



Hard concourse, no fee



Aquaculture Management Area

TASMAN COAST BOAT RAMP ACCESS

Not for navigation

The Tasman coast is subject to New Zealand's largest tidal range. Check for hazards including logs and sandbanks before heading out on the water. Many channels and bars should only be attempted with local knowledge or on a rising tide on a calm day. Coastal boat ramps or beach launching areas exist at the areas shown on this map.

There are also ramps at:

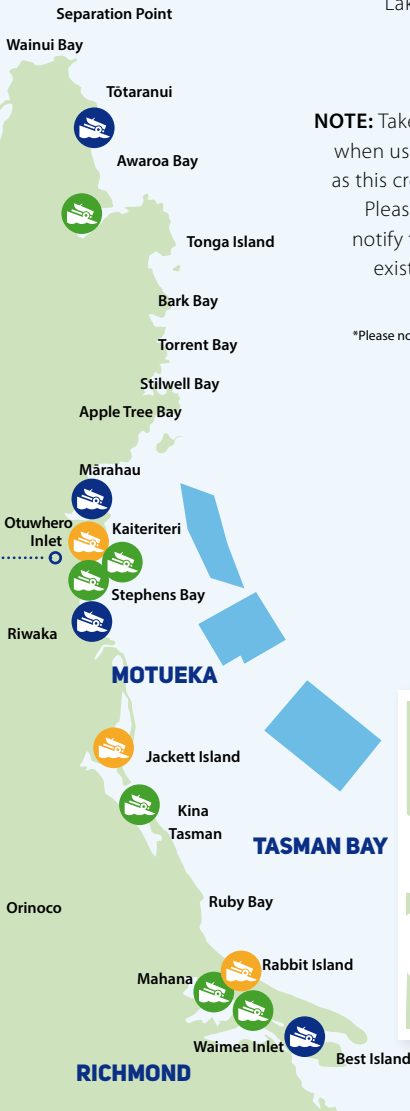
Lake Rotoiti (Kerr and West Bays)

Lake Rotoroa

Buller River at Murchison

NOTE: Take care to avoid scouring holes when using unsealed launching areas, as this creates a hazard for other users. Please fill any holes you create and notify the Harbourmaster if a hazard exists. Use your winch rather than powering onto your trailer.

*Please note the Māpua boat ramp has restricted access.



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WELCOME

Tasman District is a boating paradise, but a day out on the water can turn to disaster if you are unprepared and don't play by the rules. All boaties should know the National Navigation Safety Rules (www.maritimenz.govt.nz/recreational/the-basics/skipper-responsibilities) and their local Navigation Safety Bylaw Rules. Tasman District's Navigation Safety Bylaw controls all inland waterways and coastal waters up to 12 miles offshore within Tasman District.

When you ski, sail, motor, jet ski, row or paddle any boat in the Tasman District, you are subject to the rules in the bylaw. This brochure explains some of these rules from the current Navigation Safety bylaw. Please ensure you are up to date with the rules before heading out on the water. A full copy of the current bylaw along with other useful navigation safety information, may be viewed on the Tasman District Council website www.tasman.govt.nz. Copies of the bylaw can also be seen at Tasman District Council service centres or libraries.

HARBOURMASTER CONTACT

If you have any questions about boating in the Tasman District, please contact the Harbourmaster by calling any Tasman District Council office (see back cover) or email harbourmaster@tasman.govt.nz

BASIC RULES OF THE SEA

- Always keep a good lookout and travel at a safe speed.
- Powerboats give way to sailing, rowed or paddled vessels (e.g. kayaks).
- In general, alter course to starboard (right) to avoid other vessels and keep a 50 metre buffer zone.
- When on converging courses, the vessel looking at the port (left side and red light) of the other vessel gives way. Best action is to alter course to starboard and pass behind the right of way (stand on) vessel. Stop if necessary.
- All skippers should know Maritime Rule Part 22 – Collision Prevention (see www.maritimenz.govt.nz), like all drivers should know the road code. Carry a horn and the correct lights for your vessel.

RULES OF THE ROAD



RULES OF THE SEA



**TO BE SAFE YOU NEED
TO KNOW BOTH!**

BOAT SAFELY – KNOW THE RULES



Vessels overtaking: Every overtaking boat gives way (includes sailing vessels).



Power vessels head on: Both alter to starboard (right).



Power vessels crossing: Power boats give way to others on their starboard side.



- Give way boats should cross behind.
- Sailing vessels have different rules.

**BE A RESPONSIBLE SKIPPER
DO A DAY SKIPPER COURSE**

BEFORE YOU GO

There are many navigation hazards (rocks, reefs etc) along the Abel Tasman coastline and some of these are unmarked. Boaties are advised to check their navigation charts and do thorough planning before heading out on the water.

Know the boating safety code



WEAR YOUR LIFEJACKET

Lifejackets **must** be worn when being towed, crossing a bar or in adverse conditions such as rough seas. They should be worn in vessels prone to capsize, and when travelling at high speed, especially while on rivers or riding on personal watercraft (jet skis). We recommend wearing them at all times.



TAKE TWO WATERPROOF WAYS TO CALL FOR HELP

Keep your cellphone in a sealed bag in a zipped pocket. Dial 111 or VHF radio channel 16 in an emergency, flares, and a registered 406MHz EPIRB are recommended.



CHECK THE MARINE WEATHER FORECAST

Check Coastal Forecast at www.metservice.co.nz before you go, and Nowcast on VHF channel 79 at sea. Conditions can change very quickly, it is important to listen in to updated maritime forecasts while out on the water.



AVOID ALCOHOL

Alcohol affects judgement and reaction times. It also changes how your body reacts when unexpectedly plunged into the water.



BE A RESPONSIBLE SKIPPER

ESSENTIAL EQUIPMENT

Lifejackets (aka Personal Flotation Devices or PFDs) – one of the correct size is required for everyone on board and must be within reach, (it is important to ensure that CO₂ cartridge type jackets are regularly serviced).

Bailing system – as well as electric bilge pumps, always have a bucket available for bailing or to use as a sea anchor.

An anchor – 1 1/2 kg per metre of boat length, plus chain at least equal to the boat length and at least 30 metres of warp (rope).

Alternative power – spare outboard and fuel, or oars in case of engine failure.

Fire extinguisher – one of the greatest risks at sea is from fire. Fuel fires cannot be extinguished with water.

Compass and charts – know where you are, where safe refuge is and where the dangers lie. A new Tasman Bay chart (NZ614) was published in September 2015, and a new Abel Tasman chart (NZ6144) was published in 2009.

Communication – marine VHF radios are recommended but cellphones are useful for parts of our coastline. EPIRBs must be of the new 406MHz type, and should be registered with RCCNZ for efficient rescue. If VHF is fitted, you should maintain a watch on Ch16 and hold an operator's certificate to transmit unless in an emergency.

Distress flares – an orange smoke for daytime use and a handheld red flare for night time use are recommended as minimum. Know how to use them in the dark!

First aid kit – be able to treat minor injuries.

Other useful gear – spare rope, torch, boat hook, sharp knife.

SAFE BOATING

1. Speed and wake

Your speed must not exceed 5 knots:

- within 200 metres of the shore, any structure, or a diver's blue and white flag
- within 50 metres of any other vessel or any person in the water (unless allowed by an access lane or reserved area)
- if anyone is bow-riding or is leaning over the side



In general, if your vessel is producing a minimal wake you will be travelling at under 5 knots.

People in the water are at most risk from speeding boats, skiers and jet skiers. Remember, when there is no speed limit skippers must ensure their boat's wake does not create a risk and that they travel at a speed which is safe for the conditions. Note that 3 knot limits apply at the Anchorage, Torrent Bay and beside Adele Island, and also adjacent to the marina at Port Motueka. In these areas you should trim and adjust speed for no appreciable wake. Even if beyond the 200 metre distance from shore, you must be aware of the size of wake your vessel is generating when underway and alter speed and trim accordingly so that your wake doesn't cause a danger or nuisance to others. No one under the age of 15 may operate a motorised craft capable of exceeding 10 knots unless under direct supervision.

2. Pollution and supplies

All vessels are required to comply with the marine pollution regulations. These prohibit the discharge of untreated sewage (particulate waste) within 500 metres of shore or a marine farm, 200 metres of a marine reserve, or in water less than 5 metres deep. This effectively prohibits discharge of untreated sewage within Astrolabe Roadstead, or in the greater Torrent Bay, for example. Urine is acceptable.

It is also illegal to discharge plastics or oils into the water. All oil spills must by law be reported immediately to the Council's Regional On-Scene Commander on Ph. 03 543 8400 or to Maritime New Zealand.

Please retain all rubbish aboard for proper disposal ashore. Details of fuel and water supplies are at www.tasman.govt.nz/ports-and-wharves

3. Diving

Divers and snorkellers are vulnerable to propellers and speeding boats. Keep well clear of likely diving locations like rocky headlands or anchored boats when travelling at speed. If you see a divers' flag, reduce speed to dead slow within 200m, and keep a sharp watch for bubbles or people in the water. When diving from a boat, both the skipper and the divers are responsible for ensuring any approaching boat can clearly see your dive flag from at least 200m away. The flag must be over 600mm along its shortest edge. The boatman should wave it if needed, and keep the boat between the divers and any approaching boat where possible, an air horn is also a good idea to alert boaties that don't appear to have seen your dive flag. Shore-based divers are also strongly advised to tow (or anchor) a dive flag on a float when diving, for your own protection.



4. Paddling

The Maritime Rules and Navigation Safety Bylaws apply to all small craft, including kayaks and paddleboards. Paddlers are encouraged to travel close to shore. Within 200 metres of shore other vessels should also be travelling slowly (except in water ski areas or access lanes), and you get a closer look at the scenery.

Small paddle craft can be hard to see and usually do not show on a boat's radar. Kayaks and other similar small craft are encouraged to follow Maritime NZ guidelines. Display a brightly coloured flag and ensure that paddle blades are brightly coloured to aid visibility. For the same reason, kayaks should be finished in a colour that contrasts with the marine environment. Wearing a brightly coloured hat and a brightly coloured life jacket is also a good idea. When travelling as part of a group, remain close together. This aids your visibility to other vessels and also allows other vessels more room to pass.

When waterski lanes or areas are being used for waterskiing, other users, including paddlecraft, may not enter the area. Please either wait until the ski area or lane is not occupied before proceeding quickly across it, or pass around the outside of the area at least 200 metres from shore.

Always carry two effective means of communication. Wear a lifejacket when on a paddleboard, (when genuinely surfing, a leg rope maybe substituted for a lifejacket to enable duck diving under waves).

Be aware that the favourable conditions usually enjoyed in this region over summer can rapidly change. Check the forecast and do not paddle in rough or windy conditions and ensure you have the right clothing to keep warm. Don't kayak alone if you don't have the skills or equipment to bail and re-enter after a capsize. Try the online kayak safety module at www.cbes.org.nz.

SWIMMING

There are two areas on Kaiteriteri Beach reserved for swimming and the like, and one in the middle of the Kerr Bay beach at Lake Rotoiti during the summer months. There are no patrolled beaches, so swimmers should take extra care to consider their safety before setting out.

Think before you swim

- Can you be seen? Avoid areas with lots of boat traffic and consider a bright swim cap or fluoro t-shirt.
- Avoid swimming near boat launching ramps or wharves when in use by boats. Especially watch out for children near ramps.
- Do not swim in areas reserved for waterskiing or access lanes if they are in use.
- Avoid channels or other areas subject to strong currents, especially during outgoing tides. The Kaiteriteri lagoon outlet and Māpua channel are particularly hazardous and should be avoided during the middle two hours of outgoing tides.
- Know the water safety code, see www.adventuresmart.org.nz.

FISHING

It is illegal to use fishing gear that creates an obstruction, danger or hazard to any person, vessel or property. Ensure marker buoys are clearly visible and labelled, and do not set unattended fishing gear in any access lane or reserved area, or navigation channel. If fishing near a wharf or narrow channel, please wind in your line to allow boats to pass safely. Be aware of the local Marine Reserve boundaries.

NIGHT NAVIGATION

All vessels (including paddlecraft) must show the correct lights from sunset to sunrise and during restricted visibility, when underway or at anchor. Ensure that you meet the minimum standards for a boat of your size and type. See www.maritimenz.govt.nz for more details. Note that vessels over 7 metres long must also show a black ball if anchored during the day. A black buoy hung from the forward rail is ideal for most recreational boats. Details of many of the lights at marine farms and other aids to navigation around the Tasman coast can be found at www.tasman.govt.nz, or scan the QR code on the front cover. Please also refer to the appropriate nautical chart. Some marine farm boundaries in the Tasman region are subject to seasonal change. Moving map GPS plotters should never be relied on as the only source of navigation at night. Plotters are subject to error and do not show movable objects (such as other boats) that may be in your path.

COMMERCIAL VESSEL OPERATIONS

Any operator offering any sort of paddle craft or boat to the public for dedicated hire or as part of a package, or offering transport, requires a licence (or an exemption in certain cases) from Tasman District Council. Authorised Commercial Vessel Operators are listed on the Tasman District Council website.

INSTANT FINES

Tasman District Council Navigation Safety Bylaws include infringement (instant fines) provisions. Some of the instant fines that may be imposed are in the table below:

OFFENCE DESCRIPTION	FINE
Exceeding 5 knots within 200 metres of shore	\$200
Failure to provide sufficient accessible lifejackets	\$100
Not maintaining a ship in a seaworthy state	\$200
Failing to carry an observer when towing	\$100
Creating a hazard to other vessels when anchored	\$100
Towing a waterskier in breach of requirements	\$100
Not displaying a diver's flag when necessary	\$100

LAUNCH WARDENS

Honorary Launch Wardens will be checking on boating safety during the summer. They are there to help and advise you about safety on the water. Although the Tasman District Council Launch Wardens are there in an educative role, they do have the powers to enforce provisions of Council Bylaws relating to water safety. All wardens carry ID. If they ask for your name and address, you are legally obliged to supply information if you are in charge of a vessel. Launch wardens are unpaid volunteers. Please respect their advice as they have the safety of all water users at heart, and a wealth of experience.

MARINE VHF RADIO

ALL DISTRESS AND EMERGENCIES CHANNEL 16

All VHF radio users must monitor Channel 16 and hold an operator's certificate. Contact Coastguard Boating Education at www.boatingeducation.org.nz for training or to register a callsign.

LOCAL FREQUENCIES

- Marlborough-Nelson Marine Radio VHF Channels 04 and 60 (users of Marlborough-Nelson Marine Radio should subscribe to this service, Contact marineradio@xtra.co.nz)
- Farewell Maritime Radio VHF Channels 16 and 68
- D'Urville Maritime Radio VHF channels 16 and 67
- Nelson Harbour Radio VHF channel 12
- Coastguard VHF channel 4

After making contact, boats wishing to converse should change to a working frequency. Channel 6 or 8 are suitable.

To contact a water taxi in the Abel Tasman area call:

- Channel 7 – Abel Tasman Aqua Taxis and Mārahau Water Taxis
- Channel 66 – Abel Tasman Sea Shuttles
- Channel 3 – Wilsons Abel Tasman Experiences and Kahu Kayaks

Nelson Marine Forecasts can be heard on channel 79

Remember, if you hear someone use the word “Mayday” on the radio you must write down the message, and assist if you can. Relay the message if no shore station seemed to hear it.

CARRY TWO WAYS
TO CALL FOR HELP THAT
WORK WHEN WET

- Hand-held VHF radio*
channel 16
- Mobile* – call 111
- 406MHz distress beacon
- Red hand-held flare

CARRY THEM ON YOU OR IN
A FLOAT-FREE GRAB BAG

* waterproof or in a sealed plastic bag

**MAKE SURE YOU CAN
CALL THE CAVALRY.**

For more information go to:
maritimenz.govt.nz/communications

USE OF JET BOATS AND OTHER CRAFT ON RIVERS

A person in charge of a vessel on a river must:

- Ensure that the vessel keeps to the starboard (right) side of the river channel.
- If going upstream, give way to any vessel coming downstream
- Not operate the vessel unless river and weather conditions permit safe operation of the vessel.
- Avoid causing a nuisance or danger with your wake. Take special care during the whitebaiting season, and near eroding river banks.
- Always travel at a safe speed. A good guide is a speed that allows you to turn about or stop completely in less than one third of the visible distance ahead.
- Ensure a suitable buoyancy vest or lifejacket is worn by everyone aboard.
- Slow to walking pace whenever within 50 metres of any other vessel or person in the water. Watch for swimmers especially near settlements.

Locations and times where the speed limit (5 knots within 200 metres of shore) on rivers is uplifted:

- **Aorere River:** Between 15 August and 30 November, the speed limit is uplifted only from Brown River confluence to Rockville bridge.
- **Aorere River:** Between 1 December and 14 August, the speed limit is uplifted only from Brown River confluence to the sea (tributaries are excluded).
- **Tākaka River:** the speed limit is uplifted only in the main branch between the powerhouse at the Cobb Reservoir at Drummond Flat and the sea, when the flow at Kotinga exceeds 20 cumecs, (tributaries are excluded).
- **Motueka River:** the speed limit is uplifted only in the main branch between the Tapawera Bridge and the State Highway Bridge at Motueka, when the flow at Woodmans bend exceeds 50 cumecs (tributaries are excluded)
- **Waimea and Wairoa Rivers:** the speed limit is uplifted only from the confluence of the Lee River to the sea when the flow at Wairoa at Irvines exceeds 20 cumecs (see note),(tributaries are excluded).
- **Buller River:** the speed limit is uplifted for all waters (including tributaries) downstream from the Mangles Confluence, to the boundary of the district. Between 1 May and 30 September, the speed limit is uplifted for the waters of the main branch (excluding tributaries) from the Harleys Rock Road Bridge to the Mangles confluence when the flow at Longford exceeds 60 cumecs.

NOTE: Flow levels in these rivers can be determined by telephoning the automatic river gauge reports Ph. 03 543 8555, or online at www.tasman.govt.nz/river-flow

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WATERSKI ACCESS LANES AND RESERVED AREAS

This map shows the location of waterski areas and waterski access lanes along the Tasman District coastline. There is also an access lane at Lake Rotoiti.

A PWC play area is included in the areas at Rabbit Island and Traverse. PWCs may also tow a waterskier in any waterski access lane or reserved area unless otherwise excluded, as long as an observer is carried.

Tata Beach



Tōtaranui



Torrent Bay



Browns Beach
(The Anchorage)



Stilwell Bay



Adele Island
(South side of sandpit)



Kaiteriteri





MOTUEKA

Kina



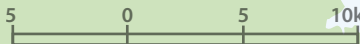
KEY

-  Waterski access lane
-  Area reserved for waterskiing

Please note:

Torrent Bay, Kaiteriteri and Kina ski areas have special restrictions. See location map notes for details.

The Traverse and part of the Rabbit Island area are shared areas for both waterskiers and PWCs/jet skis.



Hunter Brown



Traverse



Rabbit Island



PERSONAL WATERCRAFT (JET SKIS AND SIMILAR CRAFT)

Jet skis (PWCs) are fun, but can be dangerous if the model exceeds your skills. Learn on a low power model before upgrading, and practise in the designated areas before heading offshore to play in the waves. Always take a flare and waterproofed communication (like a cellphone in a plastic bag).

Prohibited areas for PWCs (jet skis and similar craft):

PWCs may not operate in the following areas:

- Kaiteriteri Bay waterski area (even when towing a skier)
- Kaiteriteri Bay unless operating at less than 5 knots
- Lake Rotoiti*
- Lake Rotoroa*
- Westhaven Inlet Wildlife Management Reserve*
- Otuwhero Inlet, unless speed is kept below 5 knots
- Don't play in the surf zone at beaches unless there are no swimmers nearby and you are over 200 metres from the shore.

* *Department of Conservation Bylaw or Regulations.*

Unless otherwise prohibited you may use a PWC in a water skiing area as long as you are towing a skier and have a rear-facing observer on board. Check your knowledge with the on-line PWC module at www.cbcs.org.nz

WATERSKIING

'Waterskiing' means being towed, whether on waterskis, aquaplane, surf board, biscuit, paraglider or any similar device, or barefoot.

Places you may not waterski:

- Anywhere within 200 metres of shore if there is no waterski access lane or area, unless speed is below 5 knots (e.g. with a ski-biscuit).
- Within Kaiteriteri Bay (including Little Kaiteriteri) except in the designated waterski area and only 2 hrs either side of high tide. PWCs (jet skis) may not operate in Kaiteriteri Bay, including when towing a waterskier.
- Otuwhero Inlet (Mārahau).
- The "Go Slow" 3 knot speed limit areas around the anchorage areas at The Anchorage and beside Adele Island.
- Lake Rotoroa.



YOUR OBLIGATIONS

- You may only exceed 5 knots within 200 metres of the shore if you are within a waterski access lane, or an area reserved for waterskiing, whilst engaged in waterskiing. Skiing vessels still may not exceed 5 knots within:
 - 50 metres of other vessels
 - 50 metres of swimmers
 - or within 200 metres of a vessel showing a dive flag.
- Keep to the starboard (right) to avoid other vessels.
- Don't cause annoyance to others with the noise or wake that your boat makes.
- Don't ski or navigate in a manner that is dangerous to other users.
- Don't obstruct other legitimate users of an access lane or skiing area. This includes anchoring or beaching your boat inside the lane or area when not skiing.
- No waterskiing between sunset and sunrise.
- It takes three to ski! If towing anyone, your boat must have a driver and an additional responsible person of at least 10 years of age acting as observer. Their role is to relay signals between the skier and the driver and report any mishaps, so the driver can concentrate on safe navigation.
- Please see page 19 for the new 'ski tube restrictions'.
- Carry a properly sized lifejacket (PFD) for each person aboard. They must be worn in rough conditions, and all persons being towed must wear their PFD.
- Comply with instructions about the use of your boat given by the Harbourmaster or Honorary Launch Wardens.
- The skier and observer should use standard hand signals, so that others around you can understand your intentions.



YOUR RIGHTS

You are entitled to:

- Make deep water starts and waterski at speed in any part of the coastal marine area (see area maps for minor exceptions) provided the boat and skier are at least 200 metres off shore.
- Use the waterski access lanes and waterski areas shown in this guide to waterski off and onto beaches.
- Use waterski access lanes and areas along with other waterskiers. Note that the right to exclusive use only applies when the lane or area is actually in use. Other craft may enter the access lane if it is not in use for waterskiing.
- Pull a waterskier with any sort of vessel (including a personal water craft/jet ski) except in Kaiteriteri Bay or other prohibited areas.
- Pull an inflatable toy such as a ski biscuit within 200 metres of shore as long as the 5 knot rule is observed until 200 metres offshore.

SKI ACCESS LANES AND RESERVED AREAS

Ski access lanes and reserved areas have no special status unless actually in use for skiing. At other times, normal rules apply. However, you should not leave boats anchored or beached (unless pulled clear of the water) or set unattended fishing gear in these areas at any time in case skiing begins.

When skiing is taking place in a waterski area, or in or near a waterski lane, only boats involved in skiing may enter or remain in the area or lane. Only boats towing a skier may exceed the usual speed limits.

Users should:

- Stay as far as practicable to starboard (the right hand side), and **circulate in an anti-clockwise direction only**.
- Be aware of other boats and skiers, and watch for signals, dropped skis and fallen skiers.
- Travel at a safe speed and distance from other users at all times.
- Wait it out if sunstrike makes it difficult to see potential hazards.

Ski access lanes

Ski Access Lanes are marked with posts and, in most cases, buoys coloured orange with black bands. They are intended only to provide access at speed for vessels towing a skier or similar between the shore and the open water 200 metres off shore.



Do not continue to ski within an access lane, nor use the marker buoys as a slalom course.

Reserved areas

Reserved Areas are marked with posts and usually buoys, coloured black with white bands. They may be for other specified purposes, including swimming. Check the adjacent signage to ensure skiing is permitted. In an area reserved for skiing you may continue skiing within the area after a beach start, unlike an access lane. Stay within the area, do not use the marker buoys as a slalom course.



Special marks

Yellow buoys are used to mark special features, such as scientific equipment, marine reserves or anchoring area boundaries.

Yellow spar buoys, often associated with round yellow floats, also indicate the nominal 5 knot limit line. In certain places (such as Kaiteriteri) they are often closer than 200 metres to the nearest shore. Everywhere else the 5 knot limit applies until 200 metres from the water's edge, not the high tide mark.



Note that it is illegal to interfere with or moor a vessel to any aid to navigation without the owner's written permission.

MARINE RESERVES

It is illegal to take any plant, animal or mineral from a marine reserve or to have marine life or rigged fishing tackle aboard your boat.

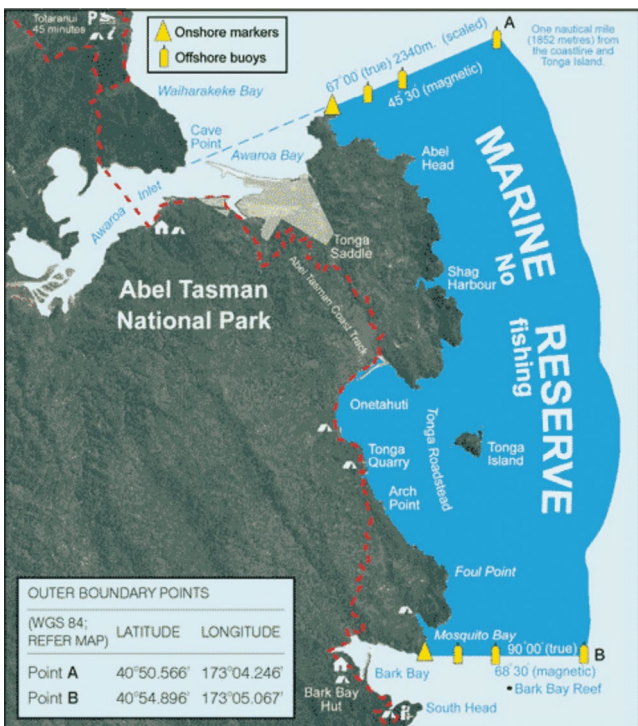
For more information on marine reserves, see www.doc.govt.nz or visit a local Department of Conservation (DOC) office.

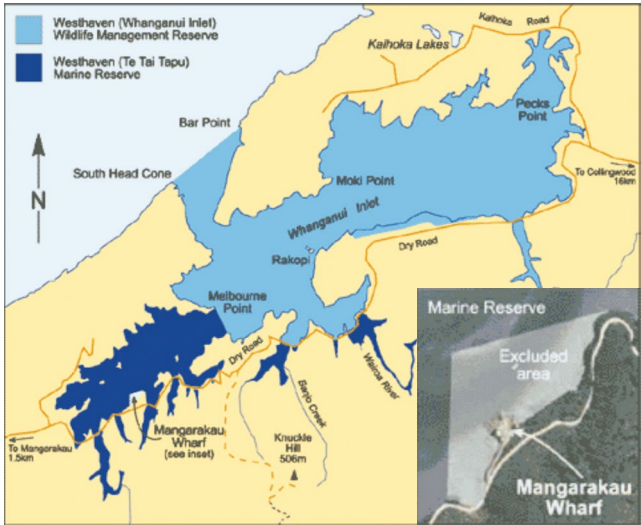
Tonga Island Marine Reserve (Abel Tasman National Park)

Tonga Island Marine Reserve covers an area of 1835 hectares, extending one nautical mile (1852 metres) offshore from the mean high water mark of Tonga Island, and the coast between Awaroa Head and the headland separating Bark Bay and Mosquito Bay.

Westhaven Te Tai Tapu Marine Reserve & Westhaven (Whanganui Inlet) Wildlife Management Reserve (Golden Bay)

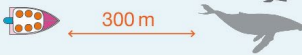
The marine reserve covers 536 hectares and includes all the tidal sandflats and channels south of a straight line between Melbourne Point (Pah Point) and the closest headland of Westhaven Scenic Reserve. It also includes all the tidal areas upstream of causeways along Dry Road, southwest of and including the Wairoa River. An area around the Mangarakau wharf is not included in either reserve.





Simple rules for boaters when interacting with whales and dolphins

Don't travel faster than idle or 'no wake' speed within 300 metres



No more than 3 vessels within 300 metres



Do not obstruct their path. Approach from a parallel/slightly rear direction



Do not swim with dolphin pods containing juveniles



Stay 50 metres away from any whale or orca



Stay 200 metres away from any baleen/sperm whale with a calf



Do not swim with whales or orca



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SUMMER 2023/2024 NEWS

Navigation safety bylaw – Nelson lifejackets and registration

All water users are reminded to check the Tasman 2015 Navigation Safety Bylaw to remain up to date with the local rules that are likely to affect your boating, please go to www.tasman.govt.nz and search "Navigation Bylaw". Users of Nelson waters need to note that following 1 October 2019, the Nelson Navigation Safety Bylaw has been reviewed. Some key provisions are: Lifejackets must be worn on vessels less than 6 metres in length; Two forms of communication must be carried; Vessels must be registered or identified with owners name and address. Visit nelson.govt.nz/council/bylaws/bylaw-218-navigation-safety or www.portnelson.co.nz

Local knowledge

Tasman area rules and other regional boating information can be found at www.tasman.govt.nz/boating-fishing. This includes details of local buoys and beacons and specific advice for navigating into the regions ports and wharves. Low tide aerial pictures of the channels leading into Māpua and Port Motueka are recent additions to this website (Port Nelson's website is www.portnelson.co.nz). For details on how to access the local knowledge channel guide to Māpua and Port Motueka, go to www.tasman.govt.nz/ports-and-wharves

Safer Boating campaign

Whats Your Plan? is the main focus of this years Safer Boating campaign. If you are heading out on the water you need a plan of action, go to www.saferboating.org.nz

'No excuses' days

Maritime New Zealand and harbourmasters throughout New Zealand will again be re-running the No Excuses program where enforcement takes the place of education and for five random days over the summer season instant fines will be issued for breaches of maritime laws.

Ski tube restrictions

Fatalities and injuries have been caused as a result of boats towing multiple ski biscuits. The Tasman Harbourmaster recommends that vessels are to tow only one device and a maximum of three people.

Alert flags for towing vessels

Orange flags will be available from the harbourmaster for boats involved in towing. If somebody falls off a ski tube or water skis, the on-board observer is then to wave the flag to alert nearby boaties to look out for a person in the water.

Night navigation

Boaties are reminded that it is a legal requirement to display Navigation lights during the hours of darkness. This includes an all-round white light when anchoring. Night navigation also introduces many other hazards, if on the water during the hours of darkness you also need at least two forms of navigation aid, ideally radar and then plotter/sounder etc. Moving map GPS plotters should never be relied on as the only source of navigation at night. Plotters are subject to error and do not show movable objects (such as other boats) that may be in your path.

Inflatable swimming pool toys

The harbourmaster has noticed an increasing trend for inflatable swimming pool toys to be used in the regions lakes, rivers and the sea. These toys are not robust enough to be used in this way and this practice is not recommended. Users are reminded that lifejackets must be worn if these inflatable swimming pool toys are to be used in the regions waterways. Also be aware that these toys will be very quickly swept away in strong currents or an off shore breeze.

Propeller safety

Near shore boating and swimming are conflicting activities and all boaties are reminded to keep a very thorough lookout for swimmers, be particularly vigilant for persons in the water when boats are being launched or retrieved, and when manoeuvring in tidal currents.

Anchoring

During last summer several boats washed ashore when they dragged anchor. Ensure that you have the correct anchor type – Manson Supreme, Rocna and CQR type anchors work well along the predominantly sandy Abel Tasman coastline. Also ensure that you have adequate chain length, check your anchor warp for damage and always check the marine forecast. Northerly and easterly winds (onshore) often cause problems for boaties in the Abel Tasman. Also remember that Tasman has one of the largest tidal ranges in the country so allow extra anchor line to compensate. Beware nosing into beaches in trailer boats, it is usually safer to anchor off and reverse into the beach to avoid swamping. Carrying a second sand anchor for a sternline is also advised.

Navigation

Several boats also hit submerged rocks last summer, check your charts and understand what the Navigation markers mean (see pg 23 of this brochure).

Marine farms

Keep up to date with changes to Tasman and Golden Bay marine farm locations and extensions by checking on the Council's website www.tasman.govt.nz/boating-and-fishing/marine-farms or www.tasman.govt.nz/navigation-notice and also with LINZ Notices to Mariners at www.linz.govt.nz/sea/maritime-safety/notice-mariners

Tides at secondary ports

For details go to LINZ website or the NZ Nautical Almanac. As a guideline, tides at Motueka, Kaiteriteri, Tarkohe and Collingwood occur at much the same time as Nelson. Māpua high tides vary significantly depending on tide height, between about 15 and 70 minutes after Nelson times. Tides in the Astrolabe Roadstead are about 20 minutes before Nelson. Tides at the Westhaven Bar (Whanganui Inlet) occur 65 minutes before Westport. This remote bar should not be attempted without recent local knowledge and a suitably equipped and experienced party of vessels, in favourable weather.

Be prepared!

It is recommended that essential safety equipment is carried either on you, or in an accessible grab bag. Several local people have recently been saved from their sinking vessels by having a well-equipped and accessible floating grab bag!

Carry at least two forms of communication:

- Hand held VHF radio*: Channel 16
 - Red hand held flares
 - Mobile phone*: Call 111
 - Distress beacon
- (*waterproof or in a sealed plastic bag)

Aid to navigation changes

Details of buoys and beacons, and specific advice for navigating near ports and wharves are available on the Tasman District Council website. Details for each area above are at www.tasman.govt.nz/ports-and-wharves. Please make sure your charts are up to date.

Events

Many fun maritime events are run in the Tasman district each year, these range from high speed power boating and waka races to fireworks displays. For details on these events visit www.tasman.govt.nz/boating-and-fishing/maritime-events

SUMMER 2023/2024 TIDE TABLES

November 2023								
Nelson								
Date	Low Tides				High Tides			
	am	m	pm	m	am	m	pm	m
1 Wed	6:24	0.7	6:42	0.8	12:18	4.1	12:47	4.2
2 Thu	7:02	0.9	7:22	1.0	12:59	3.9	1:25	4.0
3 Fri	7:42	1.1	8:08	1.3	1:42	3.7	2:04	3.7
4 Sat	8:25	1.3	9:06	1.5	2:29	3.4	2:48	3.5
5 Sun	9:15	1.5	10:22	1.6	3:23	3.2	3:44	3.3
6 Mon	10:18	1.7	11:40	1.6	4:25	3.1	5:00	3.2
7 Tue	11:37	1.7			5:33	3.1	6:25	3.2
8 Wed	12:43	1.5	12:56	1.7	6:43	3.2	7:31	3.3
9 Thu	1:34	1.4	1:57	1.5	7:45	3.3	8:19	3.5
10 Fri	2:17	1.2	2:42	1.3	8:37	3.5	8:59	3.7
11 Sat	2:57	1.0	3:21	1.1	9:21	3.7	9:35	3.9
12 Sun	3:35	0.9	3:56	0.9	10:00	3.9	10:10	4.0
13 Mon	4:12	0.8	4:29	0.8	10:37	4.1	10:45	4.0
14 Tue	4:50	0.7	5:04	0.7	11:14	4.2	11:22	4.0
15 Wed	5:28	0.7	5:40	0.7	11:50	4.2		
16 Thu	6:09	0.7	6:18	0.8	12:01	4.0	12:28	4.2
17 Fri	6:51	0.8	7:01	0.9	12:44	3.9	1:07	4.1
18 Sat	7:36	0.9	7:51	1.1	1:31	3.8	1:51	4.0
19 Sun	8:27	1.1	8:53	1.2	2:25	3.6	2:41	3.8
20 Mon	9:26	1.2	10:08	1.3	3:26	3.5	3:43	3.7
21 Tue	10:34	1.3	11:26	1.3	4:33	3.4	4:57	3.6
22 Wed	11:51	1.3			5:44	3.4	6:14	3.6
23 Thu	12:34	1.2	1:04	1.2	6:55	3.5	7:20	3.8
24 Fri	1:33	1.0	2:06	1.0	8:00	3.7	8:16	3.9
25 Sat	2:26	0.9	2:59	0.9	8:56	3.9	9:05	4.1
26 Sun	3:15	0.8	3:45	0.7	9:46	4.1	9:51	4.1
27 Mon	4:02	0.7	4:28	0.7	10:31	4.2	10:34	4.1
28 Tue	4:46	0.7	5:08	0.7	11:13	4.2	11:17	4.1
29 Wed	5:28	0.8	5:46	0.8	11:52	4.2	11:59	3.9
30 Thu	6:08	0.9	6:25	0.9			12:29	4.1

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December 2023								
Nelson								
Date	Low Tides				High Tides			
	am	m	pm	m	am	m	pm	m
1 Fri	6:46	1.0	7:05	1.1	12:41	3.8	1:06	4.0
2 Sat	7:24	1.1	7:48	1.2	1:24	3.7	1:44	3.8
3 Sun	8:03	1.2	8:36	1.4	2:08	3.5	2:25	3.7
4 Mon	8:45	1.4	9:32	1.5	2:55	3.4	3:11	3.5
5 Tue	9:34	1.5	10:33	1.5	3:45	3.3	4:07	3.3
6 Wed	10:32	1.6	11:34	1.5	4:40	3.2	5:14	3.3
7 Thu	11:43	1.7			5:40	3.2	6:20	3.3
8 Fri	12:31	1.5	12:54	1.6	6:44	3.3	7:19	3.4
9 Sat	1:23	1.4	1:53	1.5	7:46	3.4	8:08	3.5
10 Sun	2:12	1.2	2:42	1.3	8:41	3.6	8:54	3.7
11 Mon	2:59	1.1	3:25	1.1	9:29	3.8	9:37	3.8
12 Tue	3:45	1.0	4:05	0.9	10:12	4.0	10:20	3.9
13 Wed	4:30	0.8	4:46	0.8	10:54	4.1	11:04	4.0
14 Thu	5:15	0.8	5:27	0.7	11:35	4.2	11:51	4.0
15 Fri	6:00	0.7	6:11	0.7			12:16	4.3
16 Sat	6:45	0.7	6:58	0.8	12:39	4.0	12:59	4.3
17 Sun	7:32	0.8	7:50	0.9	1:29	3.9	1:45	4.2
18 Mon	8:20	0.9	8:46	1.0	2:20	3.8	2:34	4.1
19 Tue	9:12	1.0	9:47	1.1	3:14	3.7	3:29	3.9
20 Wed	10:11	1.2	10:50	1.2	4:10	3.6	4:31	3.8
21 Thu	11:18	1.3	11:54	1.2	5:11	3.6	5:37	3.7
22 Fri			12:31	1.3	6:18	3.5	6:42	3.7
23 Sat	12:56	1.2	1:38	1.3	7:28	3.6	7:42	3.7
24 Sun	1:57	1.2	2:37	1.1	8:33	3.7	8:38	3.8
25 Mon	2:55	1.1	3:28	1.0	9:30	3.8	9:29	3.8
26 Tue	3:48	1.1	4:13	1.0	10:18	3.9	10:17	3.8
27 Wed	4:36	1.0	4:54	0.9	11:00	4.1	11:03	3.8
28 Thu	5:19	1.0	5:33	0.9	11:39	4.1	11:46	3.8
29 Fri	5:57	0.9	6:11	0.9			12:15	4.1
30 Sat	6:32	1.0	6:48	1.0	12:28	3.8	12:50	4.1
31 Sun	7:06	1.0	7:26	1.1	1:07	3.8	1:25	4.0

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Tide predictions are corrected for NZ Daylight Savings time.

January 2024

Nelson

Date	Low Tides				High Tides			
	am	m	pm	m	am	m	pm	m
1 Mon	7:39	1.1	8:05	1.2	1:46	3.7	2:01	3.9
2 Tue	8:14	1.2	8:48	1.3	2:25	3.6	2:39	3.7
3 Wed	8:52	1.3	9:34	1.4	3:05	3.5	3:22	3.6
4 Thu	9:37	1.5	10:25	1.4	3:48	3.4	4:12	3.4
5 Fri	10:33	1.6	11:20	1.5	4:37	3.3	5:10	3.4
6 Sat	11:43	1.7			5:35	3.3	6:12	3.3
7 Sun	12:19	1.5	12:59	1.6	6:45	3.3	7:14	3.4
8 Mon	1:21	1.4	2:04	1.5	7:57	3.4	8:12	3.5
9 Tue	2:24	1.3	2:58	1.3	8:59	3.6	9:08	3.6
10 Wed	3:23	1.2	3:47	1.1	9:52	3.8	10:02	3.8
11 Thu	4:17	1.0	4:33	0.9	10:38	4.1	10:54	3.9
12 Fri	5:06	0.8	5:18	0.7	11:22	4.3	11:44	4.1
13 Sat	5:52	0.6	6:04	0.6			12:06	4.4
14 Sun	6:36	0.5	6:51	0.6	12:33	4.1	12:49	4.5
15 Mon	7:20	0.6	7:39	0.7	1:20	4.2	1:33	4.5
16 Tue	8:04	0.7	8:28	0.8	2:06	4.1	2:19	4.3
17 Wed	8:50	0.8	9:18	0.9	2:53	4.0	3:08	4.1
18 Thu	9:41	1.1	10:12	1.1	3:41	3.8	4:01	3.9
19 Fri	10:42	1.3	11:10	1.3	4:34	3.6	4:59	3.7
20 Sat	11:56	1.5			5:37	3.4	6:03	3.5
21 Sun	12:16	1.5	1:14	1.5	6:54	3.4	7:10	3.4
22 Mon	1:30	1.5	2:20	1.4	8:16	3.4	8:15	3.4
23 Tue	2:42	1.5	3:15	1.3	9:20	3.6	9:15	3.5
24 Wed	3:42	1.3	4:01	1.2	10:10	3.8	10:08	3.6
25 Thu	4:30	1.2	4:42	1.0	10:50	4.0	10:54	3.7
26 Fri	5:10	1.1	5:19	1.0	11:26	4.1	11:35	3.8
27 Sat	5:44	1.0	5:54	0.9	11:59	4.1		
28 Sun	6:14	0.9	6:28	0.9	12:13	3.9	12:31	4.1
29 Mon	6:43	0.9	7:01	0.9	12:47	3.9	1:02	4.1
30 Tue	7:12	0.9	7:34	1.0	1:21	3.9	1:34	4.0
31 Wed	7:42	1.0	8:10	1.1	1:54	3.8	2:07	3.9

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February 2024

Nelson

Date	Low Tides				High Tides			
	am	m	pm	m	am	m	pm	m
1 Thu	8:15	1.2	8:48	1.2	2:28	3.8	2:42	3.7
2 Fri	8:52	1.3	9:30	1.3	3:03	3.6	3:23	3.6
3 Sat	9:38	1.5	10:19	1.4	3:43	3.5	4:12	3.4
4 Sun	10:40	1.7	11:19	1.6	4:33	3.3	5:13	3.3
5 Mon			12:06	1.7	5:42	3.2	6:23	3.3
6 Tue	12:33	1.6	1:31	1.6	7:12	3.3	7:37	3.3
7 Wed	1:55	1.5	2:37	1.4	8:34	3.5	8:47	3.5
8 Thu	3:06	1.3	3:31	1.1	9:34	3.8	9:49	3.7
9 Fri	4:04	1.0	4:19	0.8	10:23	4.1	10:44	4.0
10 Sat	4:53	0.7	5:06	0.6	11:07	4.4	11:33	4.2
11 Sun	5:37	0.5	5:51	0.5	11:50	4.6		
12 Mon	6:19	0.4	6:35	0.4	12:19	4.4	12:32	4.7
13 Tue	7:01	0.4	7:19	0.5	1:02	4.4	1:14	4.6
14 Wed	7:42	0.5	8:03	0.7	1:44	4.4	1:57	4.5
15 Thu	8:24	0.8	8:48	0.9	2:26	4.2	2:42	4.2
16 Fri	9:10	1.1	9:35	1.2	3:09	3.9	3:31	3.9
17 Sat	10:07	1.4	10:28	1.4	3:57	3.6	4:25	3.6
18 Sun	11:26	1.6	11:37	1.7	4:56	3.4	5:29	3.4
19 Mon			12:54	1.7	6:22	3.2	6:42	3.2
20 Tue	1:07	1.7	2:06	1.6	8:03	3.3	7:59	3.3
21 Wed	2:33	1.7	3:01	1.4	9:11	3.5	9:06	3.4
22 Thu	3:33	1.5	3:46	1.2	9:57	3.7	9:58	3.6
23 Fri	4:17	1.3	4:24	1.1	10:34	3.9	10:41	3.7
24 Sat	4:52	1.1	4:59	1.0	11:06	4.1	11:18	3.9
25 Sun	5:22	1.0	5:31	0.9	11:37	4.2	11:51	4.0
26 Mon	5:49	0.9	6:02	0.9			12:06	4.2
27 Tue	6:16	0.8	6:33	0.8	12:23	4.0	12:35	4.2
28 Wed	6:43	0.9	7:04	0.9	12:53	4.1	1:05	4.1
29 Thu	7:11	0.9	7:37	1.0	1:24	4.0	1:36	4.0

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March 2024

Nelson

Date	Low Tides				High Tides			
	am	m	pm	m	am	m	pm	m
1 Fri	7:41	1.1	8:12	1.1	1:54	3.9	2:09	3.8
2 Sat	8:16	1.2	8:51	1.3	2:27	3.8	2:46	3.7
3 Sun	8:58	1.4	9:37	1.4	3:03	3.6	3:32	3.5
4 Mon	9:58	1.7	10:37	1.6	3:49	3.4	4:32	3.3
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8 Fri	2:48	1.3	3:12	1.1	9:13	3.8	9:35	3.8
9 Sat	3:45	1.0	4:00	0.8	10:02	4.2	10:27	4.1
10 Sun	4:32	0.6	4:46	0.5	10:46	4.5	11:14	4.4
11 Mon	5:16	0.4	5:30	0.4	11:28	4.7	11:57	4.5
12 Tue	5:57	0.3	6:13	0.4			12:09	4.7
13 Wed	6:36	0.3	6:55	0.5	12:39	4.6	12:51	4.6
14 Thu	7:16	0.5	7:37	0.7	1:19	4.5	1:33	4.4
15 Fri	7:57	0.8	8:19	1.0	1:59	4.2	2:16	4.1
16 Sat	8:42	1.1	9:04	1.3	2:40	4.0	3:03	3.8
17 Sun	9:39	1.5	9:55	1.6	3:25	3.6	3:57	3.5
18 Mon	11:02	1.7	11:05	1.8	4:22	3.3	5:01	3.2
19 Tue			12:33	1.8	5:51	3.1	6:18	3.1
20 Wed	12:43	1.9	1:44	1.6	7:40	3.2	7:39	3.2
21 Thu	2:10	1.7	2:37	1.5	8:46	3.4	8:46	3.4
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23 Sat	3:49	1.3	3:57	1.1	10:05	3.9	10:16	3.8
24 Sun	4:23	1.1	4:30	1.0	10:37	4.0	10:51	3.9
25 Mon	4:52	1.0	5:02	0.9	11:07	4.1	11:23	4.1
26 Tue	5:19	0.9	5:33	0.8	11:36	4.2	11:55	4.1
27 Wed	5:46	0.8	6:04	0.8			12:06	4.2
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29 Fri	6:42	0.9	7:09	0.9	12:56	4.1	1:07	4.0
30 Sat	7:14	1.0	7:45	1.1	1:27	4.0	1:41	3.8
31 Sun	7:50	1.2	8:25	1.3	2:00	3.9	2:21	3.6

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April 2024

Nelson

Date	Low Tides				High Tides			
	am	m	pm	m	am	m	pm	m
1 Mon	8:35	1.4	9:14	1.4	2:37	3.7	3:09	3.5
2 Tue	9:39	1.6	10:17	1.6	3:25	3.5	4:13	3.3
3 Wed	11:13	1.7	11:42	1.7	4:35	3.3	5:32	3.2
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7 Sun	2:19	0.9	2:35	0.7	8:34	4.2	9:04	4.2
8 Mon	3:06	0.6	3:21	0.5	9:18	4.5	9:50	4.4
9 Tue	3:50	0.4	4:05	0.5	10:01	4.6	10:33	4.6
10 Wed	4:31	0.4	4:48	0.5	10:43	4.6	11:14	4.5
11 Thu	5:11	0.5	5:31	0.6	11:25	4.5	11:54	4.4
12 Fri	5:51	0.6	6:13	0.8			12:08	4.2
13 Sat	6:33	0.9	6:55	1.1	12:34	4.2	12:52	4.0
14 Sun	7:19	1.2	7:40	1.3	1:15	3.9	1:40	3.7
15 Mon	8:18	1.5	8:31	1.6	2:00	3.6	2:35	3.4
16 Tue	9:37	1.7	9:37	1.8	2:56	3.4	3:38	3.2
17 Wed	11:00	1.7	11:03	1.8	4:17	3.2	4:50	3.2
18 Thu			12:06	1.6	5:53	3.2	6:03	3.2
19 Fri	12:25	1.8	12:58	1.5	7:01	3.4	7:08	3.4
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26 Fri	4:46	0.9	5:11	0.9	11:08	4.0	11:31	4.2
27 Sat	5:19	0.9	5:48	1.0	11:44	3.9		
28 Sun	5:55	1.0	6:28	1.1	12:06	4.1	12:23	3.8
29 Mon	6:36	1.2	7:13	1.2	12:42	3.9	1:09	3.6
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MARINE FARMS

A number of areas of water around Tasman and Golden Bay are set aside for marine farming. These areas, known as AMAs, are shown on the map on pages 2 and 3 of this brochure.

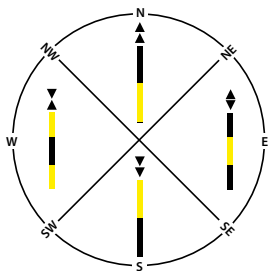
Some farms are permanent, some move around seasonally, and some are not yet developed. The boundaries of areas in use for marine farming are marked by cardinal and/or special marks according to the conditions of the farm's permits. These marks are lit at night, and most also have radar reflectors. A plan of the locations of aquaculture aids to navigation is available for download from www.tasman.govt.nz/boating-and-fishing/marine-farms

Note that it is illegal to discharge sewage within 500 metres of a farm, and to interfere with or moor a vessel to any aid to navigation without the owner's written permission.

Boaties are discouraged from navigating through these farmed areas. If you do, beware of floating and sub-surface lines and structures. If you damage farm equipment or wish to report a faulty or absent navigation aid, please contact the Harbourmaster.

Cardinal marks indicate the safe side on which to pass a danger. They should be passed on the named side (i.e. pass north of a north cardinal mark). All cardinal marks carry a white light and the light flashing sequence designates which side to pass:

- North – continuous quick flashing
- East – 3 quick flashes
- South – 6 quick flashes + 1 long flash.
- West – 9 quick flashes
- It is easy to remember the sequence if associated with a clock face.



MARINE FORECASTS

- VHF radio – the Maritime New Zealand maritime radio service provides forecasts announced on Channel 16 – call at 0533, 0733, 1333, 1733 and 2133 hours
- MetPhone – dial 0900 999 + map area number (03)
- Continuous Coastguard Nowcast on VHF channel 79
- www.metservice.co.nz [New Zealand's national meteorological service]
- Marlborough-Nelson Marine Radio on Channels 04 and 60
- On National Radio at 5.00 am

Sea area 'Abel' applies to Tasman Bay. Sea area 'Stephens' is usually more applicable to Golden Bay and Farewell Spit. Sea area 'Grey' applies to the western side of Farewell Spit.

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TASMAN BOATING CLUBS

It is highly recommended that individuals join their local boating club, club members have local knowledge and a wealth of experience to pass on. Please contact the Harbourmaster to have your club listed in future editions, or to amend contact details.

Collingwood Boat Club:

Brendon, Ph. 027 555 2237

Onetahua Waka Ama Club (Golden Bay):

Tracey, Ph. 027 508 9278

Māpua Waterski Club:

Kurt, Ph. 021 758 169

Māpua Boat Club Inc:

Katrina, Ph 021 139 3945

Māpua Tamaha Sea Scouts:

David, Ph. 027 4439288

Monaco Boat Club:

Barry, Ph. 03 544 7809

Motueka Waka Ama Club:

Todd, Ph. 027 433 5040

Motueka Peninsula Marine Society Inc:

John, Ph. 03 528 9329

Motueka Powerboat Club Inc (Marina):

Ph. 027 663 3995

www.mpbc.co.nz

Motueka Yacht and Cruising Club:

Trevor, Ph. 021 124 3324

Motueka & Golden Bay Fishermans' Association (Commercial):

Doug, Ph. 021 527 472

Nelson Marlborough Branch Jet Boating NZ:

Chris, Ph. 021 191 1564

Pōhara Boat Club:

Ph. 03 525 9729

Rotoiti Power Boat Club Inc:

Julian, Ph. 021 943 481

SPECIAL EVENTS

Organisers of special events may request a temporary speed-limit uplifting or reservation of an area by written application to the Harbourmaster.

See the Tasman District Council website for upcoming events:

www.tasman.govt.nz/boating-and-fishing/maritime-events

MARINAS AND MOORINGS

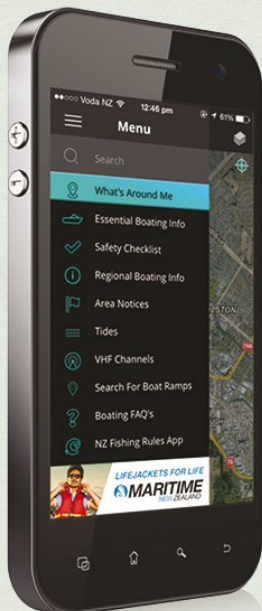
Marinas are located at Port Taroakohe and at Motueka (operated by Motueka Power Boat Club and Motueka Peninsula Marine Society). The Māpua Boat Club administers some casual moorings at Māpua. Anchoring (where the anchor is taken with you when you depart) is permitted anywhere except for the prohibited area off Port Taroakohe, or in access lanes, reserved areas or where it may obstruct a wharf, ramp or channel, or otherwise create a hazard. All moorings and coastal structures require a resource consent or other approval under the Coastal Plan from Tasman District Council. For more details about ports, wharves and moorings see either of the following:

www.tasman.govt.nz/ports-and-wharves

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COLLINGWOOD

- A system of local knowledge buoys has been put in place to help with channel navigation, these do not appear on LINZ charts.
- Navigation in the Collingwood area requires extra planning as the approaches are over extensive tidal flats that may be extremely shallow.
- The approaches may also accumulate logs and other flood debris from the Aorere River.
- Boat ramps and Jetties may completely dry out at low tide.
- The 5 knot speed limit applies within 200m of the shore, (a seasonal exemption may apply upriver from the Aorere river training wall (see pg 11).

Further details at www.tasman.govt.nz/ports-and-wharves

MAP LEGEND:



Port lateral buoy lit



Buoy



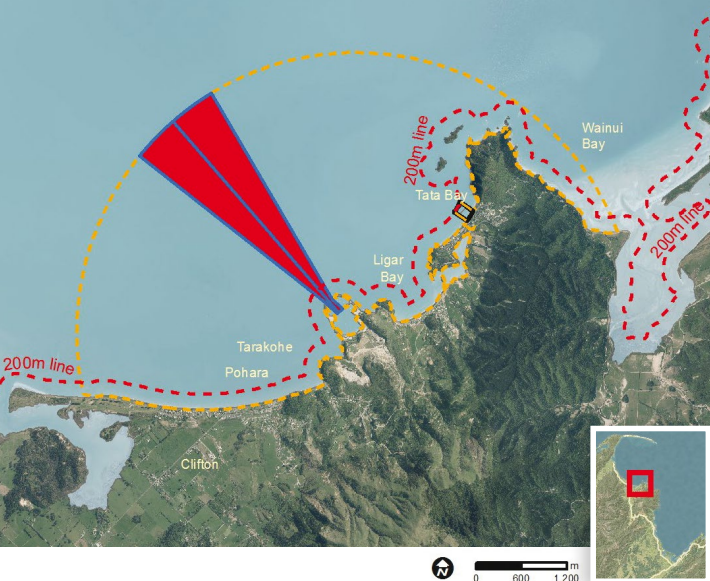
5 knot buoy



Indicative recommended route



200m from shore (at high tide)






PORT TARAKOHE

- Availability of berths for casual users varies. Note that anchoring restrictions apply outside of the harbour.
- Vessels wishing to berth in Tarakohe Harbour are required to contact the Harbour Manager on Ph. 03 525 8174 or 027 446 3891 or VHF channels 16, 28 or 68 prior to entry to the harbour. This does not include vessels using the trailer boat launching ramp or vessels that have an allotted berth.
- The 5 knot speed limit applies within 200 metres of the outer moles, including throughout the harbour. Please manoeuvre at “no wake speed” in the marina.
- A coin-operated boat wash is provided.
- A barrier arm restricts access to the boat launching ramp. Annual pass cards may be purchased through Pōhara Beach Boat Club Inc. Casual users may use gold coins or a credit card.

Further details at www.tasman.govt.nz/ports-and-wharves

MAP LEGEND:

- 200m from shore at high tide
-  Anchoring Prohibited
-  Harbour Limit for 500T rule
-  Access Lane for Water Skiing



TATA BEACH

- Public toilets and boat launching ramps are available at Tata Beach and nearby Tarakohe.
- There is a waterski access lane here. Swimmers and other users should stay out of the lane when skiing is happening nearby.
- This area provides waterskiing at all stages of the tide, but is exposed to the effects of north sector winds, including the sea breeze.
- All vessels must be travelling at less than 5 knots shoreward of the yellow buoys, including between and shoreward of the Tata Islands.
- Be vigilant for swimmers and give them plenty of room.
- The free boat ramp at Tata Beach is exposed to the northwest and sometimes unsafe to use, especially on summer afternoons. An alternative (fee applies) ramp is at nearby Tarakohe Harbour.

MAP LEGEND:

-  5 knots
-  Waterski Access Lane Post
-  Boat Launching Ramp
-  200m from shore at high tide
-  Harbour Limit for 500T rule
-  Access Lane for Water Skiing



NOTE: Dogs are prohibited from Tata Beach during daylight savings and for the rest of the year for the hour before and the hour after dawn.







TŌTARANUI

- DOC toilets and two boat launching ramps are nearby.
- This area provides waterskiing at all stages of the tide, but is exposed to the effects of the sea breeze and southerly sector winds.
- There is a waterski access lane here. Swimmers and other users should stay out of the lane when skiing is happening nearby.
- All vessels must be travelling at less than 5 knots shoreward of the yellow 5 knot marker buoys.
- Be vigilant for swimmers and give them plenty of room.

WARNING: The channel to the boat ramp in the inlet is a popular swimming location for children. 5 knots maximum speed and extreme caution is required. The beachfront ramp becomes dangerous in strong easterly winds, and vessels may have to stand off shore until the tide allows use of the inlet boat ramp.

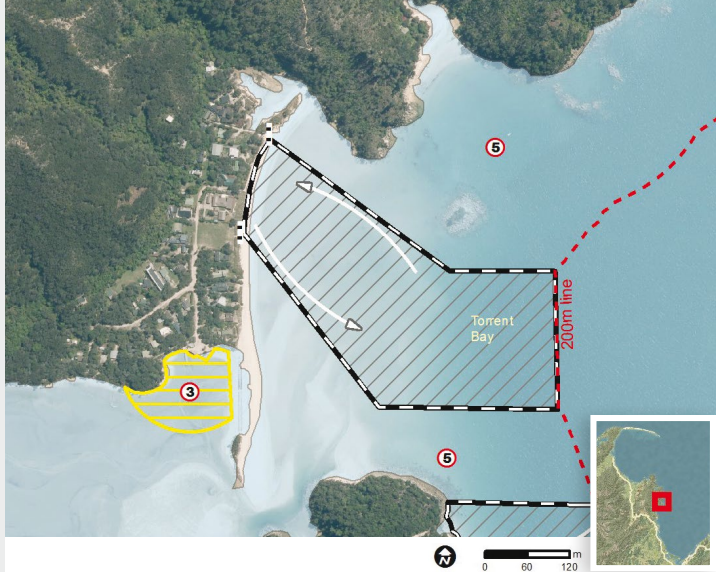
WARNING: The Tōtaranui, Awaroa and Mutton Cove beaches have the highest rates of vessel swampings and capsizes in the District. Anchor with care. Only nose into the beach in calm conditions.

MAP LEGEND:

-  Waterski Access Lane Post
-  Boat Launching Ramp
-  200m from shore at high tide
-  Access Lane for Water Skiing






NOTE: Dogs are prohibited in the National Park.



TORRENT BAY

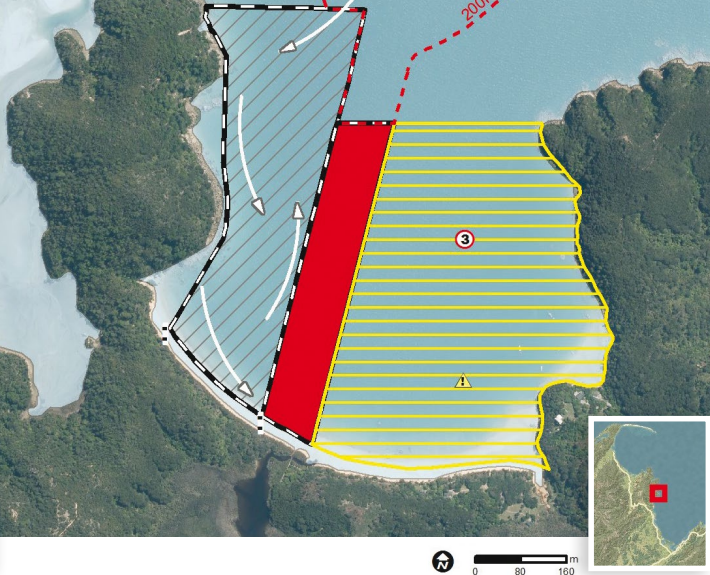
- Toilets are near the lagoon jetty at the southern end of the beach.
- Waterskiing is only permitted in this area one hour either side of Port Nelson high tide each day.
- This is a waterski reserved area.
- **Swimmers, kayakers or other vessels not immediately involved in waterskiing must keep out of the area when it is in use for waterskiing.**
- Please do not trespass on private property.
- This beach dries extensively at low tide. Beware of being stranded.

MAP LEGEND:

- | | |
|--|--|
|  5 knots |  'Go Slow' Zone 3 Knots |
|  3 knots |  Water Skiing Area |
|  Reserved Area Post | |
|  200m from shore at high tide | |











NOTE: Dogs are prohibited in the nearby National Park.



THE ANCHORAGE

- Toilets are in the nearby DOC camp and at Torrent Bay.
- There is a waterski reserved area, although it can be used to access the greater Torrent Bay area to the northeast.
- This area provides waterskiing at all stages of the tide, but is exposed to the effects of northerly sector winds including the sea breeze.
- A three-knot "Go slow" zone is 100 metres to the east of this waterski area. Please take care that your wake does not affect moored or anchored boats.
- An Access Point Transit Lane has been put in place for the area shown in red above, maximum speed is 5 knots, please minimise wake as this lane is adjacent to the designated anchoring area.
- Yachties are reminded that lifejackets must be carried when using tenders.

MAP LEGEND:

	5 knots		200m from shore at high tide
	3 knots		'Go Slow' Zone 3 Knots
	Caution (Obstructions Likely)		Access Point Transit Lane
	Reserved Area Post		Water Skiing Area



NOTE: Dogs are prohibited in the National Park.






STILWELL BAY

- DOC toilets are nearby.
- There is a waterski access lane here. Swimmers and other users should stay out of the lane when skiing is happening.
- The lane provides beach access at all stages of the tide, but is exposed to the effects of the sea breeze and southerly sector winds. Space on the beach becomes restricted or disappears completely on spring high tides.

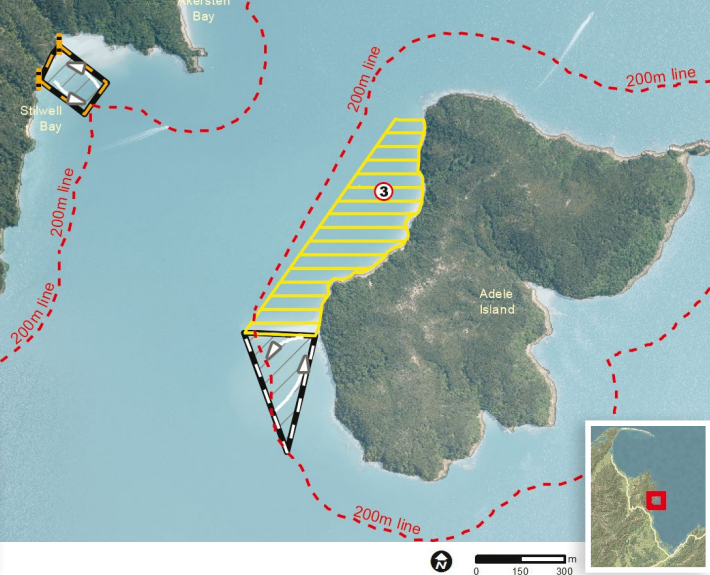
WARNING: Rocks are covered and uncovered by sand movement in this area so the beach and inshore area should be carefully checked before starting to waterski. Do not trespass on private property above the beach.

MAP LEGEND:

-  Waterski Access Lane Post
-  200m from shore at high tide
-  Access Lane for Water Skiing

MĀRAHAU

A corridor is marked with yellow buoys from the boat ramp to the low tide mark. This is intended for use by tractors towing boats to and from the water and is not recommended for navigation by boats except at high tide. The larger buoys mark the designated launching points. Take care for scoured holes at these points. Launching vehicle use is at own risk. Waterskiers and kitesurfers in particular are reminded that there is no access lane at Mārahau, so any beach starts and landings should be at walking pace (5 knots) until 200m from shore. The speed limit is also 5 knots in Otuwhero Inlet. Mārahau Beach, to the North of the public ramp is private property and no powered or un-powered craft are permitted to launch or land there, this includes boats, jet skis, and kayaks, onshore signage indicates the private ownership area.



ADELE ISLAND SANDSPIT

- There are no toilets on Adele Island. The nearest toilets are at Stilwell Bay or Apple Tree Bay.
- A waterski area is on the south side of the sandspit (which only appears below half tide). It is exposed to the effects of southerly sector winds and stronger northerly sector breezes. Vessels may be anchored or pulled on to the beach on the north side of the sandspit only.
- A 3 knot "No Wake" zone is located on the north side of the sandspit.
- Yachties are reminded that lifejackets must be carried when using tenders.

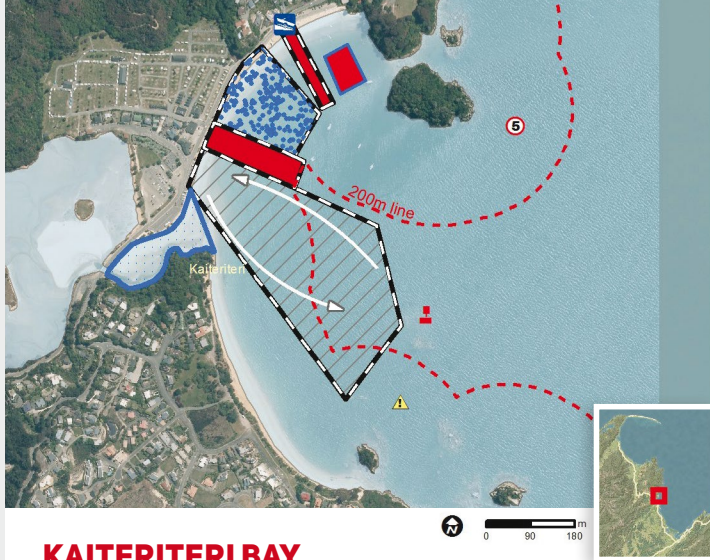
WARNING: Be aware that kayakers may suddenly appear around the end of the sandspit. The area to the east of the ski area contains rocks that cover and uncover with the tide.

MAP LEGEND:

-  3 knots
-  Waterski Access Lane Post
-  200m from shore at high tide
-  'Go Slow' Zone 3 Knots
-  Access Lane for Water Skiing
-  Water Skiing Area



NOTE: Dogs are prohibited in the National Park, at Adele Island and from Otuwhero Inlet and the sandspit at Mārahau.



KAITERITERI BAY

The Kaiteriteri ski area is reserved for priority use by water skiers during the four hour period between two hours before high tide, until two hours after high tide (see the tide tables in the centre section of this brochure) and only when marked out with black posts with white bands, a series of black buoys with white stripes may also be in place to mark out the ski area boundaries. The period of marking may extend from about Labour Weekend until around the end of daylight savings the following year. Outside of these times the reserved area status is revoked and the normal rules apply, see pages 13–15.

- Water skiing can also take place outside of the reserved area and outside of 200 metres from the coast in Tasman Bay to the east.
- Public toilets are at the ramp end of the Motor Camp street frontage and at the Tasman District Council reserve at Little Kaiteriteri.
- Try to avoid launching and retrieving from the Kaiteriteri ramp during spring low tides due to the low ramp angle and surrounding rocks.
- PWCs (jet skis) are prohibited from towing waterskiers within the waterski area.
- PWCs (jet skis) may not be operated at over 5 knots in Kaiteriteri Bay.
- Kayaks and swimmers may not use or pass through the waterskiing area when it is in use.
- Boats may not pass through the swimming area at any time.
- Vessels may not anchor unattended in either of the access lanes.
- Use of moorings should be arranged through the Kaiteriteri Beach Camp office.

WARNING: Rotation direction in Kaiteriteri is anti-clockwise for waterskiing to meet national standards. Beware of swimmers caught in the tidal current from the estuary during ebb tides. Swimmers should note the advice in the “swimming” section of this pamphlet.

MAP LEGEND:

 5 knots	 200m from shore at high tide	 Swimming Area
 Caution (Obstructions Likely)	 Anchoring Prohibited	 Water Skiing Area
 Boat Launching Ramp	 Access Point Transit Lane	
 Port lateral marker	 Power Craft Prohibited	



NOTE: Dogs are prohibited on the main beach at Kaiteriteri and, in the summer months, on Little Kaiteriteri beach except between 5.00 am and 9.00 am.



STEPHENS BAY

- Public toilets and a beach launching (small boat) ramp is available at Stephens Bay (there is also another small beach launching ramp available at nearby Tapu Bay).
- All vessels must be travelling at less than 5 knots shoreward of the yellow buoys
- Be very vigilant for swimmers and give them plenty of room.
- Stephens Bay is exposed to the East, anchor with caution and consider using the Kaiteriteri (fee applies) ramp in Easterly (or Northerly) conditions.
- Beware of several rocks up to 325 metres to the East of Stephens Bay, these are usually marked with a Cardinal buoy.

MAP LEGEND:

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|  | Boat Launching Ramp |  | Y 5 spar |
|  | North Cardinal spar buoy |  | 200m from shore at high tide |



NOTE: Dogs are prohibited from the reserve during summer months (1 December to 1 March) except between 5.00 am and 9.00 am.



MOTUEKA

- 3 knot speed limit applies in the immediate area of the marina and launch ramp. You are advised that this is intended to effectively mean “no wake”. This is because many moored craft settle on the bottom near low tide, and wake may cause damage to these vessels, or harm to their occupants.
- Maximum speed within the transit lane is 15 knots (over ground), the transit lane begins when outbound (and ends when inbound) at the starboard lateral pile closest to the Motueka Wharf (as marked with a 5 knot sign).
- The location and shape of the outer bar and sandspit area changes frequently, a local knowledge guide that describes the bouyage system in place can be picked up from the Motueka boat ramp or viewed on the Tasman District Council website, (please be aware that due to the mobile nature of the Motueka sandbank no liability is assumed for this guidance). Seek further local knowledge before crossing to or from the sea.
- Lifejackets must be worn by law when crossing the bar.

Navigation detail and advice for the Motueka to Riwaka area is at www.tasman.govt.nz/ports-and-wharves

NOTE: Regular users are encouraged to join a local club for ramp access. Casual users of the Motueka Power Boat Club marina ramp should contact the Talley's gatehouse for a temporary card. The ramp fee here is \$10, and a \$20 card bond is payable (fees subject to change).

MAP LEGEND:

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|  5 knots |  Infrastructure Corridor (Anchoring Prohibited) |
|  3 knots |  'Go Slow' Zone 3 Knots |
|  Boat Launching Ramp |  Transit Lane (15 Knots speed limit) |
| - - - 200m from shore at high tide | |



NOTE: Dogs are prohibited on much of the sandspit and around the salt water baths.



KINA PENINSULA





- There is a waterski reserved area, but coastal access to the estuary may be undertaken in this area by transiting vessels so long as they do not obstruct or endanger any waterskiers.
- This popular area only provides sufficient water for waterskiing 2 or 3 hours either side of high tide, but is sheltered from most breezes.

WARNING: Local knowledge of the position and depth of sand bars and mud banks is essential. Much of the seabed in this area is rock or cobbles. Exercise due caution.

Access to the inlet in small craft is possible from the sea. The channel is very narrow and indirect, so obtaining local knowledge (such as a scouting visit from shore at low tide) is recommended.

Beware of changing sea conditions that may prevent safe retrieval to your trailer. An afternoon sea breeze can be expected on most summer days.

MAP LEGEND:

-  Reserved Area Post
-  Boat Launching Ramp
-  200m from shore at high tide
-  Water Skiing Area

MĀPUA

- Beware strong currents and poor anchor holding in channel.
- No anchoring, fishing or waterskiing in the transit lane.
- Maximum speed within the transit lane is 15 knots (over ground), outside of the lane 5 knots.
- Swimmers and kayakers may not enter the transit lane when it is in use.
- Keep to the starboard (right hand) side.
- Access to the sealed ramp at the Māpua Wharf is now restricted.
- It is recommended that launching is done from the unsealed launching area at Grossi Point (the floating pontoon at the Māpua Wharf is a good place to pick up passengers and supplies once vessels are on the water).
- All vessels must keep speed below 5 knots until they reach the transit lane or Hunter Brown waterski area.
- Take care for pacific oysters in this area. They have very sharp shells.
- The location and shape of the outer bar and sandspit area changes frequently. A Māpua channel local knowledge guide is available at the web link below.
- Lifejackets must be worn by law when crossing the bar.

www.tasman.govt.nz/ports-and-wharves

WARNING: Swimmers at Grossi Point should stay clear of boats, as the shallow bed and current can make it difficult for vessels to manoeuvre to avoid you.

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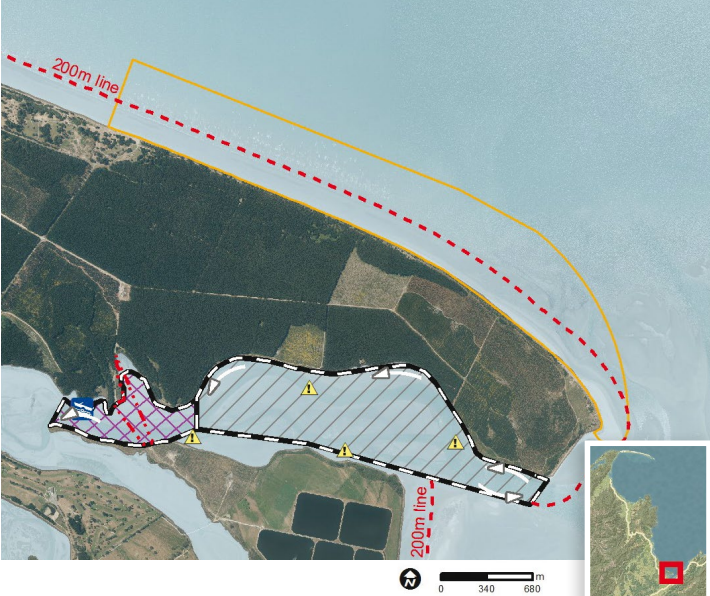
- No overnight mooring at floating pontoon jetty.
- Maximum vessel length for pontoon is 10 metres.
- Kayakers are advised to avoid the floating pontoon as strong tidal currents can sweep small boats underneath the pontoon.
- Children need to be supervised around the wharf area.

HUNTER BROWN

- This area is easily accessed from the boat launching ramps at Hunter Brown (Rough Island; adjacent to Rabbit Island), Grossi Point or Māpua Wharf. Note that the usual 5 knot speed limit applies between the Grossi Point ramp and the ski area.
- Toilets are available near all these launch ramps.
- This waterski area only provides sufficient water for waterskiing 2 or 3 hours either side of high tide, but is sheltered from most breezes.
- Rotation direction is anti clockwise, that is keep to the starboard (right hand) side approaching and leaving the beach.

WARNING: Local knowledge of the position and depth of sand bars and mud banks is essential, particularly in the extension into the Traverse. Check the area of the beach that you will be taking off and landing from for pacific oysters. Pacific oysters have very sharp shells and may inflict severe cuts if stood on in bare feet or light footwear.








NOTE: See map pages 40 & 41 for Māpua and Hunter Brown.

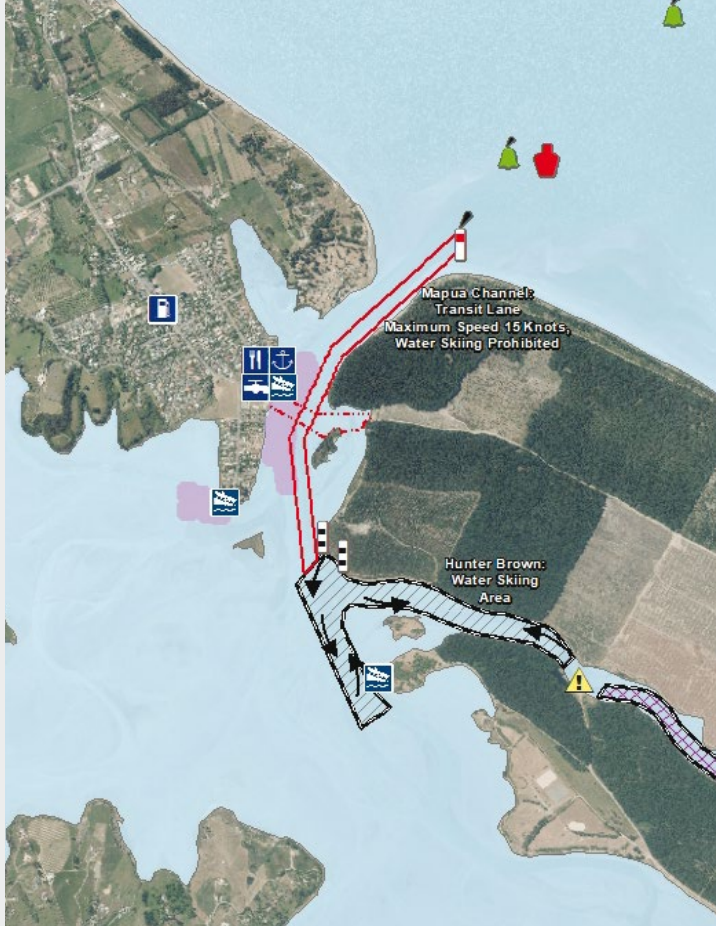


RABBIT ISLAND

- A toilet is available near the launch ramp.
- The large waterskiing area is easily accessed from the boat launching ramp at Rabbit Island, or from Monaco with local knowledge.
- Vessels using the ski area must pass through the PWC (jet ski) area which is adjacent to the launch ramp. Please transit directly through this area and avoid PWCs that may be using the area.
- This area only provides sufficient water for waterskiing 2 or 3 hours either side of high tide, but is sheltered from most breezes.
- The waterski area can be used to access the estuary to the east when there is sufficient water.
- A suitable beach start area is marked with posts on the shore of Rabbit Island near the Blind Channel end.
- Kitesurfers are asked to avoid the eastern half of the front beach as kite shadow can spook horses.

MAP LEGEND:

-  Caution (Obstructions Likely)
-  Boat Launching Ramp
-  200m from shore at high tide
-  Certain Power Craft and Kite Boarding Prohibited
-  Shared High Speed Activity Area
-  Infrastructure Corridor (Anchoring Prohibited)
-  Water Skiing Area



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















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NOTE: See page 39 for Rabbit Island ski and PWC area map.



MAP LEGEND:

-  Water skiing direction of rotation
-  Infrastructure corridor – no anchoring
-  Waterski landing marker
-  Starboard lateral FI (2) G 6s 3m 2NM
-  Port lateral FI R 3m 2NM
-  Fairway buoy FI G 1.3m 3NM
-  Port lateral buoy (shoaling area)
-  Boat launching ramp
-  Food / drink
-  Jetty
-  Petrol
-  Water
-  Former causeway – Very shallow
-  Caution – swing moorings
-  Transit lane for Māpua channel
-  Shared high speed activity area
-  Water skiing area

TRAVERSE

- This area can be accessed in shallow draft vessels at high tide, with care, from Hunter Brown.
- Note that this is a shared PWC (jet ski) and waterskiing area. Co-operation between users is essential to the continued availability of this area.
- This area is very shallow and should be thoroughly checked for branches and other obstacles before use. Local knowledge is essential.
- The slalom course is maintained by the Māpua Waterski club. Members of the Club have launching access at the Rabbit Island causeway.



NOTE: Dogs are prohibited on Rabbit Island but may be exercised off the leash at Rough Island.



ST ARNAUD / LAKE ROTOITI

- Toilets are located at each end of the beach and there is another boat ramp and toilet at West Bay.
- The waterski access lane is intended only to provide access at speed to the beach for boats immediately involved in waterskiing.
- Beach starts for waterskiing are only allowed in the access lane or the water Ski area. Do not ski from other beaches on this lake. Deep water starts over 200m from shore are permitted anywhere on the lake.
- The water ski area (West Bay as shown on map) is available for year round use and is marked with transit posts.
- To contact the water taxi, call on VHF channel 14 or Ph. 021 702 278. At Lake Rotoroa, call on VHF channel 6 or Ph. 03 523 9199.
- PWCs (jet skis) are prohibited from operating on Lake Rotoiti or Lake Rotoroa by Department of Conservation Bylaw or Regulations.

NOTE: All vessels must not exceed 5 knots shorewards of the line between the two orange triangles on either side of Kerr Bay. Vessels must also stay out of the area reserved for swimming in the middle of the main beach, as marked with black and white buoys during peak season.

WARNING: The West Bay boat ramp is not recommended for tandem trailers or heavy craft due to steep ramp angle. Beware of rocks near West Bay jetty when lake level is low.

MAP LEGEND:

- | | |
|--|--|
|  Boat Launching Ramp |  Access Lane for Water Skiing |
|  200m from shore at high tide |  Water Skiing Area |
|  Swimming Area | |



NOTE: Dogs are prohibited in the National Park, including on the lakes.



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make sure it is firmly
screwed in

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Manually inflate
bladder. After 24hrs,
if bladder deflates
send away for repair

ALWAYS READ THE INSTRUCTIONS

**CHECK IT
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MATE!**

For more
information on
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inflatable go to:
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Going boating?

Rodents have been found on the Abel Tasman National Park's previously predator-free Adele, Tonga and Fisherman Islands.

Ongoing predator control is underway but **we need your help.**

If landing at Adele or Fisherman Island or mooring near any of the islands, **please check boats and gear are free of rats, mice, ants, seeds and weeds.**

Help keep these islands safe for native wildlife. For more information please visit www.janszoon.org/biosecurity



7 mm

Size of gap a mouse can squeeze through.

South Island saddleback-tieke



12 mm

Size of gap a rat can squeeze through.

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TOGETHER RESTORING THE ABEL TASMAN



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Abel Tasman National Park Virtual Visitor Centre

AVAILABLE FREE ON YOUR SMARTPHONE

Includes up-to-date information on weather, tides, walking times, track conditions, map, points of interest, history, plants and wildlife.



Search for Abel Tasman National Park.

The app and private Wi-Fi network are provided by Project Janszoon, a private trust working in partnership with the Department of Conservation to restore the ecology of the park.

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works off-line



Marlborough-Nelson Marine Radio Association Inc

provides marine communication facilities throughout the Tasman Bay, Golden Bay, Marlborough Sounds, and Cook Strait areas. The Association's primary purpose is to offer safety through VHF radio communication plus assistance to the boating fraternity.

For more information on becoming a member and access to the Association's channels and services please phone 03 573 8851 or visit www.marineradio.org.nz.

The following Marlborough-Nelson Radio VHF channels are monitored daily between 0700 and 2200 hours:

- Channel 01 Cook Strait, Marlborough Sounds area
- Channel 04 Tasman Bay area
- Channel 60 Golden Bay area
- Channel 63 Queen Charlotte Sound, Cook Strait
- Channel 65 Pelorus Sound, Kenepuru Sound areas

Channels 04, 60 and 65 are permanently linked.

Contacting the Marlborough-Nelson Radio Operator

To contact the operator to place a trip report, get an updated weather forecast, etc please call Marlborough-Nelson Radio and the channel number. For example, on channel 04, call "Marlborough-Nelson Radio zero-four".

Marlborough-Nelson Radio Weather Broadcasts:

Marine weather forecasts and tides are broadcast daily on all of the Association's channels commencing at approximately 0835, 1135, 1335, and 1735. Safety messages and navigation warnings are also broadcast throughout the day.

STOP THESE PESTS SPREADING

IN THE TOP OF THE SOUTH

These unwelcome marine invaders are immediate threats in the Top of the South



They love a dirty boat bottom. They can take hold in the fouling fuzz and hitch-hike to new locations.

Marine pests create costs for boaties and threaten our environments, seafood stocks and aquaculture industry. They're easily spread through hull fouling.

These may be the next to arrive from other parts of New Zealand



Find out more at
www.marinebiosecurity.co.nz





CLEAN UP BEFORE YOU CAST OFF

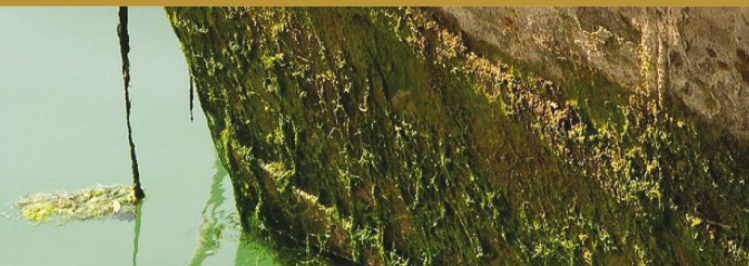
**You can stop marine pests
from spreading into the Sounds,
Golden and Tasman Bays.**

Make sure your boat bottom is clean (no more than light slime) and anti-foul paint fresh before you travel to a new area.

KEEP YOUR EYES PEELED!

Please report any heavily fouled boats you see in Top of the South waters. Note the location, take a photo if you can, and contact the Top of the South Marine Biosecurity Partnership, phone 021 894 363 or email tosmarinebio@gmail.com.

Report any suspicious organisms to the Ministry of Primary Industries hotline, phone 0800 80 99 66



IF THINGS GO WRONG...

MARITIME ACCIDENT

Call 111/VHF channel 16 (nearby vessels, Coastguard, Harbourmaster or rescue helicopter will be alerted to respond if required).

- You must report any accident or incident to Maritime Radio on VHF 16 immediately, and to Maritime NZ on the forms available from their website within 24 hours.

Reporting of accidents allows for better targeting of resources to reduce the risk of such occurrences in the future. Learn from others' misfortunes by subscribing for free to LookOut! magazine at www.maritimenz.govt.nz

**IN THE EVENT OF A MEDICAL EMERGENCY:
Call 111/VHF Channel 16**

EPIPENS

Doc rangers (Ph. 03 52 81810) and kayak guides (VHF Ch 24/66/78) have access to epipens at the following bays:

- Kaiteriteri
- Mārahau
- Watering Cove
- Anchorage
- Bark Bay
- Onetahuti
- Awaroa
- Tōtaranui
- Also Kerr Bay Lake Rotoiti (contact Department of Conservation office, Ph. 03 521 1806)

Epipens are also carried onboard some of the Abel Tasman water taxi vessels (VHF Ch 16/24/66/78)

DEFIBRILLATORS

Defibrillators are available at:

- Māpua Wharf (between The Apple Shed restaurant and The Smokehouse) Ph. 03 540 3282
- Kaiteriteri (contact Kaiteriteri Camp Ground Office) Ph. 03 527 8010
- Stephens Bay, Corner of Anarewa Crescent and Stephens Bay Road
- Mārahau, (contact Aquataxi office) Ph. 03 527 8083
- Torrent Bay (contact Wilsons Abel Tasman), VHF Ch 78 or Ph. 03 528 2027
- Awaroa (contact Wilsons Abel Tasman), VHF Ch 78 or Ph. 03 528 2027
- Tōtaranui (contact Department of Conservation office), Ph. 03 528 1810
- Pōhara Top 10 Holiday Park, Ph. 0800 764 272
- Collingwood Fire Station and the Collingwood Tavern, Ph. 03 524 8160
- Lake Rotoiti (contact Department of Conservation office), Ph 03 521 1806



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