

Council camping grounds

The following is a list of low-cost Council camping grounds. Visit ccc.govt.nz/camping for links to further information about each site.

Duvauchelle Holiday Park

From \$25 per night for a non-powered site

Okains Bay Camp

\$12 per night for a non-powered site

Pigeon Bay Camping Ground

\$10 per night for a non-powered site

South Brighton Holiday Park

From \$20 per night for a non-powered site

Spencer Park Campsite

\$15 per night for a non-powered site.

A number of privately owned low-cost camping grounds are also available in Christchurch and Banks Peninsula. Contact the Christchurch i-SITE Visitor Centre for further information on 0800 423 783.

For more information:
ccc.govt.nz/camping

Phone: (03) 941 8999 or
0800 800 169

Christchurch City Council



Freedom Camping in Christchurch and Banks Peninsula

Christchurch City Council is temporarily closing all five of its restricted non-self-contained freedom camping sites and one self-contained site at French Farm.

These sites will be closed to ALL campers.

French Farm is closed until 31 May 2016.

This applies to non-self-contained and self-contained freedom camping sites. The beach at French Farm is also closed.

Wainui, Addington Park car park, Lower Styx River and Windsport Park non-self-contained freedom camping sites will close from 12pm 16 March to 31 May 2016.

Visit ccc.govt.nz/camping for further information about freedom camping and low-cost camping grounds in Christchurch and Banks Peninsula.

Freedom camping sites that are closing:



Tips for responsible freedom camping

If you are freedom camping in Christchurch or Banks Peninsula, please:

- Follow all signage related to freedom camping
- Respect nearby residents
- Park properly. Don't block roads, driveways or tracks
- Use the toilet. Don't relieve yourself beside the road, in the bush, on the ground, on the beach, or in a river, creek or lake
- Empty your campervan toilet at a dump station 
- Take your rubbish with you, or put it into a Council rubbish bin. If the bin is full, phone the Council's Customer Service Desk on (03) 941 8999 or 0800 800 169
- Don't light fires beside the road, in the bush, or where there are fire danger signs.

Why are these freedom camping sites closing?

Unfortunately, overcrowding has made the non-self-contained sites unsafe for campers, visitors, local residents and the environment.

Two sites at French Farm – non-self-contained and self-contained – are closed from 10 March due to preliminary testing received on 10 March 2016 which shows contamination of the beach.

Where can I freedom camp now?

If you are camping in a vehicle or a temporary structure (e.g. tent) that does NOT have on-board toilet and wastewater facilities, you may freedom camp outside Christchurch's or Banks Peninsula's urban boundaries (visit ccc.govt.nz/camping for a map of these boundaries). However, the Council recommends you camp at a low-cost camping ground such as those listed on the back of this flyer.

I have a self-contained vehicle (e.g. campervan). Can I still camp at these sites?

No. The temporary closures apply to ALL campers, including self-contained vehicles. However, one restricted self-contained freedom camping site remains open at Wainui, and you may still camp for a limited time elsewhere within Christchurch's or Banks Peninsula's urban boundaries (visit ccc.govt.nz/camping for further information and a map of these boundaries).

The restricted self-contained freedom camping site at French Farm is closed from 10 March to 31 May 2016.

Is there a penalty for freedom camping at a site where I'm not allowed to camp?

Yes. The Freedom Camping Act allows the Council to issue a fine of \$200 if someone is found freedom camping, or making preparations to freedom camp, in a local authority area and in breach of the Council's bylaw, including any temporarily closed sites.

