

## Kings Beach – Dog free zone

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Following a recent increase in the number of dogs being brought into the dog free zone, council has increased the signage in the area to ensure that visiting dog owners are aware of the rules.

### Why is Kings Beach a dog free zone?

The Sunshine Coast is home to a variety of people and hosts countless visitors every year who have diverse views on where dogs should be permitted. To accommodate this council offers a number of options throughout the vast beach and open space network to try to accommodate everyone. This includes:

- Areas where dogs are prohibited (dog free zones)
- Areas where dogs are required to be on a leash
- Areas where dogs are permitted to be off-leash

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The area is a popular tourist and family destination with an influx of locals and visitors enjoying the parks and beach every day of the year. The dog free zone allows locals and visitors to enjoy one of the region's beautiful beach locations without interacting with dogs.

### Where can I take my dog?

There are over 30 off-leash locations and a wide range of areas where you can walk your dog on a leash. For a full list of see council's website.

### What happens if I walk my dog in a dog free zone?

As a dog owner it is your responsibility to check the signage in an area thoroughly for information about where you can and cannot take your dog.

If you walk your dog in a dog free zone you may receive an on-the-spot fine of \$266.



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