

Pendine Community Council

Rules and Guidelines for Vehicles on Pendine Beach

These rules apply to all vehicles, including those owned by the MOD, PCC, RNLI, CCC, PCC franchisees and authorised users accessing Pendine Beach for filming or events. They form the basis of any agreement Pendine CC or its agents have with authorised users.

- Authorised vehicle access means you, not colleagues and friends. Do not pass on the bollard keys unless agreed with the clerk.
- Remember the beach is tidal and the times and heights of high tide varies.
- For your safety and that of your vehicle you need to know the time of high tide and remember that the slipway may be cut off before other parts of the beach are flooded.
- You access the beach at your own risk and Pendine Community Council cannot accept responsibility for any damage to your vehicle.

The beach is a public beach and PCC have been informed by the police that it is therefore classed as a highway and all Highway Acts apply and will be enforced if necessary, including those related to insurance, speed, seat belts and mobile phones. Therefore only vehicles and drivers that are lawful under the acts are allowed on to the beach. Authorised users must ensure that all vehicles have the correct documentation in place and they or their drivers are appropriately qualified to drive them. These rules and guidelines are in place to ensure the safety of the public. Pendine CC wishes to minimise the risk to all users of the beach from accidents or injuries related to necessary vehicle movement on the beach.

For the purposes of these guidelines PCC has identified three sections of the beach. These are:

1. The main bathing/visitor beach in front of the promenade to the west of the slip
2. The MOD beach eastwards of the control line towards Ginst Point
3. The defined beach car park when open
4. The rest of area east of the slip up to the MOD Boundary

These guidelines will apply

- Pedestrians have priority on the beach and slipway
- If possible give pedestrians a wide berth on all beaches

- Be extra vigilant and cautious if children are around as they are less predictable than adults
- The speed limit for vehicles on Pendine CC's beach is 10mph
- The speed limit for vehicles on the MOD beach is 30mph
- If pedestrians are present on the MOD beach the speed limit is reduced to 10mph
- All moving vehicles should have their hazard warning lights activated
- If visibility is poor use headlights as a warning to pedestrians
- If operating a fleet, prioritise vehicles for beach use fitted with audibly warning systems for reversing
- All vehicle movements on the beach should be minimised
- Limit the number of vehicles you have on the beach, carry equipment, most people can walk
- Unless the beach car park is operating the bollards must be locked after vehicles have passed through them
- The maximum agreed in advance speed for all filming and filmed events on Pendine CC's beach is the national speed limit
- The maximum agreed in advance for speed for filming, tests, trials and events on the MOD beach is the national speed limit
- Speeds in excess of the national speed limit on the MOD beach must be agreed in advance and the event must be approved and licensed by the appropriate motor sport organisation
- All competitors and officials when travelling along the beach to take part in a speed event or film must follow the 10mph and 30mph rules, until they are actually taking part in the agreed activity in the agreed zone.