

Station Beach Dog Off-leash Area

12 month trial (dates here)

During the trial, dogs are permitted (leashed and off-leash) on Station Beach within the prescribed areas. This includes the water, provided they remain landward of the marker buoys. Outside of the trial hours, dogs are prohibited on this beach.

Dogs are permitted at the following times

Monday to Sunday 4pm - 10.30am

Monday to Friday 5.30pm - 10.30am (Daylight Saving Time)

Please follow these conditions of use

- Dogs are permitted off-leash in the identified off-leash zone
- Dogs on-leash in the identified on-leash zone
- Please ensure your dog is always landward of the marker buoys
- Dogs prohibited from using the foreshore south of Beach Road
- Use the bins provided (see map)

Penalties apply under the Companion Animals Act, 1998.

Please consider parking in Governor Philip Park and entering the off-leash zone from the north.

Why are seagrasses important?

- Provides habitat and food for fish and other aquatic fauna
- Help reduce erosion and improve water quality

The seagrass meadow at Station Beach is the largest in the Pittwater Estuary. The deeper water further from shore includes an endangered population *Posidonia australis* (strapweed). Other species here include *Zostera muelleri* subspecies *capricornia* (belgrass) and *Halophila ovalis* (paddleweed). A very low tide may expose the edge of the seagrass bed and it is crucial that it remain protected from foot traffic.

Protecting the environment

- Council will monitor seagrass, water quality and estuarine species during the trial.
- Dog owners must control pets and follow the conditions of use to safeguard the seagrass and shoreline sediment.

Visit our website to learn more about the trial and seagrasses.

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