

## Information for campers

(based on the Balnarring Foreshore Camping Reserves Regulations)

### The camping reserve

Your campsite is located within a nature reserve and there are some special conditions to protect the reserve and ensure the enjoyment of all campers. These include:

1. Native **wildlife, shellfish and plants are fully protected on the reserve**. Please do not remove or damage, tie or attach anything to vegetation within the reserve.
2. **Pets are not allowed** on the reserve (except registered guide dogs).
3. For the safety of campers the **speed limit is walking pace** on the reserve.
4. Please keep **noise to a minimum after 10pm** and silence after midnight.
5. It is illegal to possess or discharge fireworks on the reserve or foreshore.
6. The camping reserve is within public land. Please **behave in an orderly and responsible manner** and follow the directions of Rangers, reserve staff and signs or your camping permit may be revoked without warning or refund.

### Your campsite

7. Campers are **welcome to arrive anytime after 2pm**. If you are a regular camper we invite you to proceed to your site and set up camp. The Ranger will visit in the afternoon and issue your camping permit that must be displayed on your van/tent. New campers please register at our office.
8. The Ranger will also check your van for a **Fire Extinguisher and smoke detector**.
9. Each campsite can have a van, annexe and small tent or a large family tent and small tent.
10. **Only 1 vehicle or 1 boat trailer** is permitted per site.
11. You may use caravan matting or shade cloth at the entry and within your caravan, annexe or tent. Any **flooring must allow vegetation to 'breathe'** to be permitted.
12. Any fly or shelter may only extend 50cm beyond your van, annexe or tent and be fixed by normal camping pegs and ropes. **Starpickets are not permitted**.
13. No trenching, drains or pits may be dug on the reserve.
14. A single 15 amp power lead may be used to connect to our power head.
15. **Children must be supervised** by an adult during your stay. Children 6 and under must be accompanied when they visit the Amenities block.
16. **Checkout is by 12 noon** on your day of departure. We reserve the right to remove your camp from the site after this time and/or charge the maximum daily rate until you pick up your belongings.
17. The Committee of Management or its appointed officers reserve the right to revoke your permit to occupy the site giving one hours notice.

### Reserve facilities

Each campground has its own amenity block with toilets, showers, laundry and BBQ area. We clean these areas regularly and you can help by leaving them as you find them and alerting our staff to any issues that need attention.

18. Please **use the bins provided** within the camping reserves being careful to wrap household waste and separating your recyclables.
19. Waste water (grey) must be disposed of within garden beds or in storm traps by the Amenities.
20. **Portable or chemical toilets may not be emptied** within the reserve or amenities.

### Fire and fire management

Fire poses a major risk to the reserve, the community, your property and your life.

21. **Open fires are not allowed** (including heat bead BBQ's) as they pose a fire risk.
22. During Total Fire Ban days CFA regulations prohibit the use of gas or electric cooking appliances within tents and caravans. Please use our barbeques or your appliances within the amenities block.

### Responsibility of the camping permit holder

23. **The camper(s) agree to re-imburse**, the cost of restoring or making good any loss or damage caused by any member of his/her group or any person visiting the Reserves at his/her invitation.

The Balnarring Foreshore Committee of Management welcomes your input.

If you have any queries, complaints or suggestions please direct these to our staff, the Reserve Manager or in writing to the Committee of Management.

*A complete copy of Victorian Government Gazette regulations G 25 28<sup>th</sup> June 1989 1561 may be viewed at the\_rangers office.*