

Cornwall Council

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District Beach Guide For Dog Owners

DOG CONTROL ORDERS 01 / 2007 - 08 / 2007



**DOGS ARE NOT ALLOWED ON THESE BEACHES
BETWEEN THE HOURS 8 A.M. & 7 P.M.**

St Ives: Porthmeor, Porthgwidden, Harbour, Porthminster.

Carbis Bay.

Hayle Towans (from Hayle river to Black Cliffs).

Godrevy (to Red River).

Gwithian (Red River to Ceres Rock).

Marazion.

Penzance Promenade (to Lariggan River).

Mousehole (including harbour).

Porthcurno.

Porthchapel (dogs above high tide line only)

Porthgwarra.

Sennen (including harbour).

Perranuthnoe.

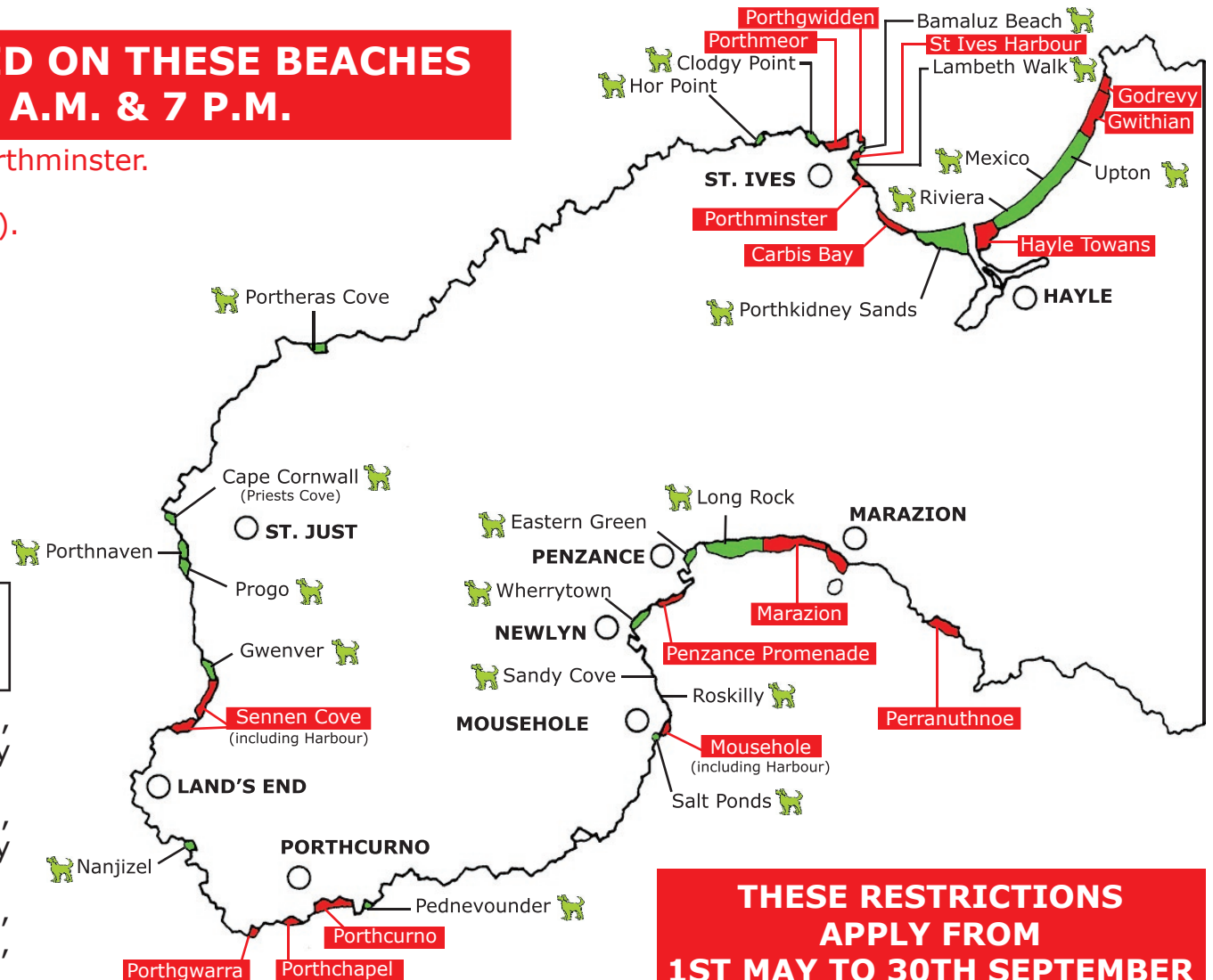


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St Ives / Hayle Area: Hor Point, Clodgy Point, Balamuz Beach, Lambeth Walk, Porthkidney Sands, Riviera, Mexico, Upton Towans.

Penzance / Mousehole Area: Eastern Green, Wherrytown (Lariggan River to Newlyn), Sandy Cove, Roskilly, Salt Ponds.

Land's End Area: Pednevounder, Nanjizel, Gwenver, Progo, Porthnaven, Cape Cornwall, Portheras Cove.



**THESE RESTRICTIONS
APPLY FROM
1ST MAY TO 30TH SEPTEMBER**

Responsible Dog Ownership

As a responsible dog owner you need to be aware that, **by law**, you must do the following things.

- Under ***The Control Of Dogs Order 1992*** your dog **MUST** wear an ID tag bearing owner details on its collar at all times when in a public place.

(A Microchip does not negate this, but serves as an additional and permanent way to identify your dog).

- Under ***The Clean Neighbourhoods and Environment Act 2005*** you **MUST** clean up after your dog when it fouls in **any public place** including public and private beaches (right up to the low water mark).
- You **MUST NOT** let your dog out on its own at any time.
- You **MUST NOT** allow your dog to bite or frighten anyone and should have your dog under control when in a public place.

Please remember that not everyone is comfortable with dogs and that even the most well behaved dog can frighten some people, (or be deemed a danger to livestock if not on lead).

Stray Dogs

Under the ***Environmental Protection (Stray Dogs) Regulations 1992*** the local authority has a duty to collect stray dogs. Any owner wishing to reclaim a stray or lost dog

may be liable to pay a charge set by central Government.

At present the charges are:

- Dog Recovery - £36.00.
- Kennel Fees - £11.50 (per day or part day)

Microchipping is a permanent way to identify your dog.

(A microchip is injected under the skin of the dog and carries a unique number sequence which is stored against owner details on a national database).

In the event of injury or an accident occurring whilst the dog is roaming. A Microchip allows vets to trace owners and obtain permission to treat the dog.

If you lose or find a dog or require any advice please contact the Dog Welfare Service on 0300 1234 100

Dog Fouling

***The Clean Neighbourhoods and Environment Act 2005* allows the local authority to designate land to which this act applies.**

(This includes, footpaths, playing fields, grass verges, certain private land and roads).

The Act states that being unaware of the defecation or not having suitable means to remove the faeces are not reasonable excuses.

Most offenders are dealt with by issuing a **Fixed Penalty Notice**.

Fines at present are:

- Fixed Penalty Notice of £80.00
(if this remains unpaid after 14 days)
- Prosecution may result in fines of up to £1000.00

The Council has successfully fined and prosecuted people who fail to clean up after their dogs.

Under the law no offence is committed if the dog is trained by a prescribed charity or the landowner has given consent for the faeces to be left on the ground.

Dogs On Beaches

Under ***The Clean Neighbourhoods and Environment Act***, Dog Control Orders have replaced the legislation that excluded dogs from certain beaches.

These Control Orders run from 1st May until 30th September and exclude dogs from the relevant beaches (see overleaf) between the hours of 8 a.m until 7 p.m.

The local authority is now able to enforce a breach of the Control Order by issuing Fixed Penalty Notices to people.

The Fixed Penalty Notices currently stand at £80 and if this remains unpaid prosecution may result in a maximum fine of £1000.