

# North Carolina Coastal Reserve

## Responsible use policies

How can you be a responsible user of the Coastal Reserve sites?

### Keep it clean

The N.C. Coastal Reserve has a "pack it in, pack it out" trash policy, so be sure to carry out all of your waste, and leave the Reserve sites better than you found them.

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### Observe, don't disturb

Keep wildlife wild at the N.C. Coastal Reserve. Please do not disturb or remove any wild animals from the Reserves. Lawful take during hunting and fishing activities is allowed.

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### Keep pets on a leash

The N.C. Coastal Reserve sites are fun places to bring your pets, but furry friends must be on a leash at all times. Off-leash pets can disrupt nesting animals and plant structure.

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### Leave only your footprints

Personal property can not be left at the N.C. Coastal Reserve. Please take your belongings with you when you leave the Reserve.

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### Clothing isn't optional

Public nudity and nude sunbathing are not allowed at any N.C. Coastal Reserve sites.

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### Respect research

Researchers using the N.C. Coastal Reserve sites often leave research equipment in the field for long-term data collection. Please do not disturb research equipment and obtain a research permit before conducting experiments.

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### Did you bring your license?

Appropriate licenses and permits for hunting and fishing are required before engaging in these recreational activities at the N.C. Coastal Reserve.

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### No camping

There is no overnight camping permitted at the N.C. Coastal Reserve, with the exception of primitive camping allowed on the Masonboro Island Reserve.

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### Get educated!

The best way to enjoy the N.C. Coastal Reserve is to be prepared. Learn more about Reserve sites and policies on our website.

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### Questions?

Contact us and check out our events calendar at [nccoastalreserve.net](http://nccoastalreserve.net)

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