Illegal Camping

Local Law No.4 (Local Government Controlled Areas, Facilities and Roads) 2011

FACT SHEET

This fact sheet includes information to help campers to understand their obligations and meet legal requirements.

Illegal camping can have a range of impacts on the community including public safety, litter and damage to protected environmental areas. In the Fraser Coast, camping is only permitted in designated campgrounds or tourist parks. It is illegal to camp overnight in Local Government controlled areas which includes, but is not limited to road reserves, next to a road, in a car park or in a park. This includes sleeping in your vehicle.

Camping areas are indicated

Camping grounds and caravan parks are indicated on information boards on major roadways into and leaving the Fraser Coast.

Take time to stop and find a suitable place to stay.



What if I camp on a road or in a park?

Council Officers conduct regular patrols and respond to complaints of illegal camping across the region. If you camp overnight on a road or park in the Fraser Coast, you may be issued with a penalty infringement notice.

Penalty Infringement Amount $172.00

How can I report illegal camping?

Illegal camping is a significant issue from both an amenity and a compliance perspective.

If you see someone camping illegally you can report it at: https://www.frasercoast.qld.gov.au/illegal-camping

Alternately, you can call 1300 79 49 29 and Council will investigate the matter.

Additional information

The Fraser Coast region has several accommodations options available, visit https://www.frasercoast.qld.gov.au/camping

For further information on where you can camp legally in the Fraser Coast:

- visit https://parks.qld.gov.au/camping
- talk to your camper van hire company
- contact local hostels, backpackers and holiday parks.