New Brighton State Beach
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New Brighton State Beach is a popular 93-acre campground and beach on the Monterey Bay Marine Sanctuary in the city of Capitola. The bluff top campground and beach day-use areas center around aquatic activity. The small protected pocket beach is perfect for swimming, kayaking, sunbathing, beach walking and surf fishing. With over 100 developed campsites, 11 hook-up sites for RVs, a visitor center/museum, campfire center and large beach parking lot for day use, New Brighton State Beach has remained a favorite destination for generations.

CAMPING FEES are due and payable upon entry into the park. Fees include entry for one vehicle and one legally towed vehicle/trailer. Additional vehicles not towed in will be charged an extra vehicle fee. Campers registering with discount passes—e.g. Disabled Discount Pass (DDP) or Distinguished Veteran Pass (DVP)—must present discount card and picture ID at check-in time. Discount pass holder must be present when registering and while camping. Registration tags are non-transferable. Day-use passes are not valid in campground.

OCCUPANCY is limited to eight people per campsite. The maximum consecutive stay is seven days. When the maximum stay is over, the visitor(s), equipment, and/or vehicle(s) must vacate the campground for a period of 48 hours before returning.

PARKING: Campsites are designed to accommodate a maximum of two vehicles. Vehicles must be parked completely inside the campsite with all four wheels on the pavement to prevent damage to tree roots and plants. Additional vehicles may be parked in the overflow lots at the campfire center or near the visitor center.

HOOKUP SITES and premium blufftop sites are available for an additional fee. No effluent, gray, or fresh water may be discharged onto the ground. Do not wash vehicles or hose down campsite. Recreational Vehicles (RVs) may use the sanitation station near the visitor center to discharge waste and fill water tanks.

CHECK-OUT TIME is noon. Please vacate your site by that time. Check-in time is 2 p.m. Campers who arrive early will be directed to park accordingly. When checking out early, campers must inform entrance station staff to receive a possible refund for unused days.

SPEED LIMIT: The maximum speed limit is 15 mph. When pedestrians are present, even 15 mph might be too fast. Use good judgment.

VALUABLES: Keep all valuables locked up and out of sight. Portable generators should not be left outside at night. Please report all suspicious activity to park staff.

DOGS must be kept on a six-foot-maximum leash and may not be left unattended at any time. They are allowed only on paved roads or in your campsite. Dogs are not permitted on fire roads or trails (except for service dogs). Dogs must be confined to a vehicle or tent at night. Please clean up after your pets.

CAMPsites: Hammocks, clotheslines, and tree tents are not permitted in the campground.

QUIET HOURS are from 10 p.m. to 8 a.m. Generators may be operated only between the hours of 10 a.m. and 8 p.m.

FIRES/FIREWOOD: Fires are allowed only in state-provided fire rings. Beach bonfires are permitted in seasonally placed, state-provided fire rings. Firewood is available for purchase from the camp host. Do not gather firewood in the park.

ALCOHOL and glass containers are not allowed beyond your campsite. No alcohol is allowed on the beach.

CAMPING RESERVATIONS: You may make camping reservations by calling (800) 444-7275 (TTY 800-274-7275). To make online reservations, visit the California State Parks website at www.parks.ca.gov.

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