

# News Release



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## **ALCOHOL AND BEACH FIRES**

The sandy beaches along the San Diego coastline are some of the most spectacular and inviting areas for evening beach fires and family gatherings. However, in order to keep the beaches clean and safe for public use, California State Parks has several regulations governing alcohol, glass bottles, and beach fires.

Alcohol is NOT ALLOWED on the beach at any time.

Glass bottles or other glass containers are not allowed on any State Beach at any time. Glass containers frequently are found broken on the beach, causing a major safety hazard.

Beach fires are only allowed under two circumstances.

First, beach fires are allowed only in established concrete fire rings provided by the State.

Concrete fire rings are available for public use at Moolight State Beach, operated by the City of Encinitas, located just west of Hwy 100 on Encinitas Blvd. in Encinitas.

Secondly, fires are permitted on most beaches as long as the fire is self contained (such as in a barbecue or washing machine tub). The container must be raised off the sand at least six inches, and all the unburned wood, hot coals, and ashes must be removed from the beach with the contained. No dumping of burned materials, ash, or coals in the ocean or on the sand. DO NOT BURY HOT COALS! This is the number one cause of severe burns to children's feet.

Please enjoy the beaches and help us keep the sand clean and free of burned wood, ashes, glass, and trash.