Guidance Notes for Horse Riding On Beaches

Horse riding is permitted on Skegness, Mablethorpe and Sutton on Sea beaches throughout the year, with the exception of the periods listed below.

- During the period between 1st April and 30th September horses are not permitted on the beaches between the hours of 9.00am and 6.00pm.
- While the Blue Flag is flying at Skegness, Mablethorpe and Sutton on Sea, central beaches horses are not permitted.
- For the duration on any event being held on the beaches

Any ride must at all times be conducted in an orderly and responsible manner and must not cause nuisance or danger to any other persons using the beach.

The horse rider is entirely responsible for removing all droppings from the foreshore area, deposited by the horse where reasonably practical giving due consideration to other users of the beach.

Permission is only granted in respect of the exercising of horses and ponies and does not allow the hire of animals on the beach for gain or any other commercial purpose of whatever nature.

No vehicles are permitted on the beaches or promenades

Riders must indemnify the council against all claims, actions, damages, or proceedings of whatever nature arising directly out of the granting of this permission.

The area south of Skegness central beach is a Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI). As a nature conservation site, horse riding is not permitted here due to ground nesting birds and other animals that may be endangered.

The land and beach area north of Mablethorpe Central Beach stretching towards Saltfleetby is designated as a Coastal Conservation Area (CCA1). Horse riding is by permit only and restricted to the southern end of the beach and off of all vegetated areas. Permits can be obtained from the site manager, Natural England Eastern Area Team –

(email <u>enquiries@naturalengland.org.uk</u>).