

2018/2019

Newcastle beaches

Season guide



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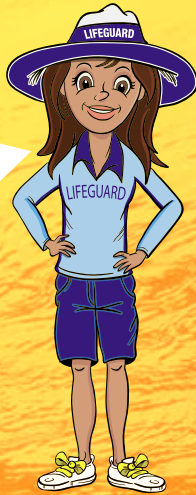
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Can you spot the rip?



The calm water in the middle of the photograph is a rip current.

Rip currents are a strong flow of water that surge from the shoreline back out to sea. Once past the waves, the current slows down and comes back to the beach again.



Swim where the waves are

Lifeguards place the flags away from rips, however rips are constantly moving

If unsure, ask a lifeguard for help

If you do find yourself caught in a rip, **stay calm, try to float, put your hand up and yell for help**

A rip current will NOT pull you under or take you kilometres out to sea



Beach safety

- Always swim between the red and yellow flags. No flags = no swim
- **Never swim alone**
- Before entering the water, check the conditions
- If unsure, ask a lifeguard for help
- Look for the safety signs, they will tell you what to look out for
- If you get in trouble in the water, **stay calm, try to float, put your hand up and yell for help**

Lifeguard patrols - beaches

All beaches are patrolled during the summer surfing season from 29 September 2018 until 28 April 2019. Nobbys, Bar and Merewether Beach are patrolled all year round.

Newcastle Beach

29 September 2018 to 28 April 2019

7am – 5:30pm

Stockton Beach

29 September 2018 to 28 April 2019

9am – 5:30pm

Bar, Nobbys and Merewether Beaches

29 September 2018 to 28 October 2018

9am – 5:30pm

29 October 2018 to 17 March 2019

7am – 5:30pm

18 March 2019 to 28 April 2019

9am – 5:30pm

29 April 2019 to 27 September 2019

8am – 4:30pm

Dixon Park Beach

29 September 2018 to 28 October 2018

9am – 5:30pm

29 October 2018 to 17 March 2019

7am – 5:30pm

18 March 2019 to 28 April 2019

9am – 5:30pm

Beaches are patrolled on Saturdays, Sundays and Public Holidays by Surf Lifesaving Clubs for 30 weeks from 29 September 2018 to 28 April 2019.

Lifeguard patrols - ocean baths

Merewether Ocean Baths

29 September 2018 to 28 April 2019

9am – 5:30pm

Merewether Baths are open all year round (subject to maintenance and cleaning). Merewether Baths are cleaned every 2nd Monday and every Thursday during the season.

Newcastle Ocean Baths

29 September 2018 to 28 April 2019

9am – 5:30pm

29 April 2019 to 27 September 2019

8am – 4:30pm

Newcastle Ocean Baths are cleaned every Wednesday.



STOCKTON BEACH



MITCHELL ST

NOBBYS BEACH



NOBBYS RD



NEWCASTLE OCEAN BATHS

NEWCASTLE BEACH



WHARF RD

SHORTLAND ESPLANADE

MEMORIAL DRIVE

BAR BEACH



DIXON PARK BEACH



JOHN PDE

MEREWETHER BEACH



MEREWETHER OCEAN BATHS



SCENIC DR

HENDERSON PDE

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