

Enjoying Scotland's outdoors

In Scotland, you can enjoy the outdoors on most land and inland water, as long as you act responsibly and follow the Scottish Outdoor Access Code.

SCOTTISH OUTDOOR ACCESS CODE

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These rights of responsible access include things like:

- walking
- cycling
- sightseeing and picnicking
- dog walking, provided your dog is under proper control
- swimming
- watching wildlife

but do not include:

- access with motor vehicles
- hunting, shooting and fishing



How to follow the Code

Key principles are to:

- take responsibility for your own actions
- respect the interests of others
- care for the environment



For more information and further guidance on different activities, visit the Scottish Outdoor Access Code website.

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Scan the QR code and visit our website to find more information on:

- Travelling Around
- Keeping Argyll & Bute Beautiful
- Advice for campervans and motorhomes
- Exploring our area & local tourist information.



DON'T BE THE ONE WHO LETS EVERYONE DOWN



www.argyll-bute.gov.uk/abplace2visit

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In an emergency call 999

Use the non-emergency number 101 for situations that do not require an immediate Police response

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Information to help you have a great time, and be a great visitor, in Argyll and Bute

1 TRAVEL WELL



2 LEAVE NO TRACE



3 KEEP ARGYLL AND BUTE BEAUTIFUL



4 LOOK AFTER THE COUNTRYSIDE



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Campervans, Caravans & Motorhomes

Please take care when travelling in Argyll and Bute. We have spectacular scenery everywhere but many of our roads are narrow and single track. Caution and consideration must be taken for other road users while you take in the dramatic landscapes and natural beauty. When travelling at slower pace and there's a build up of vehicles behind you kindly use passing places to let faster traffic overtake safely.

Please familiarise yourself with campervan & motorhome etiquette at:



www.campa.org.uk/safe-driving-in-scotland/



Toilets and Waste Disposal Site

Please plan ahead when visiting Argyll and Bute, remember public toilets are not suitable for disposal of chemical toilet waste. Please scan QR code to find nearest grey / black waste disposal and fresh water fill up facilities.



www.argyll-bute.gov.uk/find-public-toilet-argyll-and-bute



These sites offer great services for a small fee, please use them and be safe in the knowledge you're protecting the environment. It is encouraged to visit a formal site frequently to empty waste.



www.argyll-bute.gov.uk/abplace2visit/maps

Parking Responsibly

Parking – Park safely, do not block roads, passing places, tracks, or gateways & do not damage grass verges.

Wild Camping – Is allowed in a small tent away from houses and where livestock is not grazing. Follow the guidance here:



www.outdooraccess-scotland.scot/practical-guide-all/camping



www.campa.org.uk/informal-camping

Informal Camping – If you plan to stop overnight in a motorhome or campervan, please ensure that you take all rubbish with you, avoid disturbing the local community and move if asked by the landowner.

General Waste / Recycling

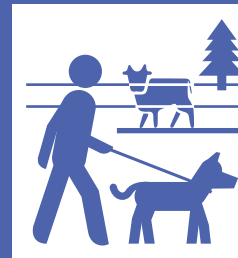


When larger items or bags are discarded these bins can fill up within days, leaving trails of litter and nasty smells until they are emptied which could be over 2 weeks later, which isn't nice for visitors, locals, wildlife or the environment.



www.argyll-bute.gov.uk/recycling

Some litter bins in Argyll and Bute are only serviced every 3 weeks, especially in rural areas. These bins are provided to dispose of smaller items when out walking.



Staying Safe in and around Scotland's Water

If you are going to be near water the water will be cold, Water Safety Scotland advocates following the water safety code:

- Stop and think, spot the dangers
- Stay together, stay close
- In an emergency, call 999



For more information to help you stay safe in Scotland:



www.firescotland.gov.uk/your-safety/outdoors/

Advice for Dog Owners

Be a Responsible Dog Owner Do not allow your dog to approach animals, including wildlife or people uninvited. Where possible avoid livestock. Release your dog if threatened by cattle. Always keep your dog in sight and under control – if in doubt use a lead. Always bag and bin dog poo, take it home when bins aren't available. To avoid your dog committing a livestock crime please follow the advice below:

- When in the countryside, be wary of your dog approaching other animals.
- Try to stop your dog coming into contact with livestock.
- Remember, in the countryside, it may not always be obvious when animals are around.

To learn more visit:



www.outdooraccess-scotland.scot/practical-guide-all/dog-walking

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