

Beach Matrix 2020

The general guidelines given by the security council are still applicable.

The Belgian coast is diverse! Each coastal town has its own identity and amenities, which is the reason why the approach will vary from town to town this summer.

Here you can find everything you can expect from each town you are planning to visit.

	DE PANNE belgiancoast.co.uk/ de-panne	KOKSIJDE-OOSTDUINKERKE belgiancoast.co.uk/ koksijde-oostduinkerke	NIEUWPOORT belgiancoast.co.uk/ nieuwpoort	MIDDELKERKE-WESTENDE belgiancoast.co.uk/ middelkerke-westende	OOSTENDE belgiancoast.co.uk/ oostende	BREDENE belgiancoast.co.uk/ bredene	DE HAAN-WENDUINE belgiancoast.co.uk/ de-haan-wenduine	BLANKENBERGE belgiancoast.co.uk/ blankenberge	ZEEBRUGGE belgiancoast.co.uk/ zeebrugge	KNOKKE-HEIST belgiancoast.co.uk/ knokke-heist
DO I NEED TO RESERVE A SPOT ON THE BEACH?	No	No	No	No	Yes, on busy beaches during busy days	No	No	No	No	No
IS THE BEACH GETTING MONITORED	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
ARE BEACH COACHES PRESENT?	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
DO DIFFERENT RULES APPLY FOR BEACH BUSINESSES?	No	No	No	No	✓	No	✓	✓	No	✓
ARE THERE SPECIFIC GUIDELINES FOR THE BEACH BERM?	No	No	8m ² per person	✓	No	No	✓	6m ² per person	No	3m ² per convertible (one bubble)
ARE THERE SPECIFIC GUIDELINES FOR THE FORESHORE?	No	No	No	No	No sitting or lying down (walking zone)	No sitting or lying down (walking zone)	✓	No sitting or lying down (walking zone)	No	No
IS THE USE OF WIND BREAKERS OBLIGATED?	No	No	No	No	Recommended	Recommended at cabines	Obligated at cabines	Provided by the city: only there can you sit down	Obligated at cabines	Recommended
GOOD TO KNOW!	Extra walkways provided on the beach	Use common sense	Beach coaches will assign each person their spot on the beach	Extra parking spaces provided for tourists	Mariakerke: child friendly Oosteroever: calm Centre: sun bathing and city	Nudist beach becomes textile beach	1m between cabines	For some beach bars you need to reserve a spot via strandbars.com	A number of zones are only accessible for specific users	Use of convertible cabines: first come, first serve

Legend: = IMPORTANT! = HELPFUL

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