

Presqu'ile Kiteboarding Guidelines

The beach at Presqu'ile is enjoyed by all sorts of park visitors. Access for kiting is a **privilege**: YOU MUST FOLLOW THESE GUIDELINES to keep this beach available to kites. It's up to you to be a "kite ambassador."

- NEVER ride in the swimming area – intentionally or accidentally
- Walk to the north of the launch and land zone if the wind is unreliable or you aren't certain you can stay upwind – this will buy you space to stay out of the swimming area. Doing so is the mark of a responsible kiter.
- ALWAYS direct beginners to the far north end of the beach and NEVER teach lessons in the launch and land zone
- If you do drift into the swimming area, NEVER dive your kite to get out. Put your kite at 12 o'clock and drift to shore away from other beach users and wildlife. Communicate with the swimmers to assure them they are okay. Always be respectful – are you in their area. Then evaluate WHY you ended up in the swimming area and plan how not to end up there again.
- When walking a kite back up the beach from the south end, DO NOT WALK THROUGH CROWDS OF PEOPLE. Walk the inland edge of the beach behind the other beach users.
- NEVER get closer than 200 metres to the island, which are protected bird sanctuaries.
- Always educate kites new to Presqu'ile about our rules and etiquette.
- LISTEN to Park Staff. It's their job to balance the needs of all park visitors while protecting the natural values of the park. They are authorized through the Provincial Parks and Conservation Act to manage the park. Failure to comply with park staff direction can result in fines, seizure of equipment, and eviction from the park.

