



# VISITOR APPLICATION FOR BIRD WATCHING ACCESS PERMIT

(Must be read in conjunction with Conditions of Permit)

Byron Shire Council  
Technical and Customer Service – Infrastructure Services  
PO Box 219  
Mullumbimby NSW 2482

I, the undersigned, wish to apply for a **Visitor Access Permit** to enter the Byron Bay Integrated Water Management Reserve during open hours for the public (for access hours refer to the Conditions of Permit form) for the purpose of bird watching.

**Visitor permits will only be issued to residents outside of the Richmond Tweed Library catchment**

- ***Please complete Authority to Charge Credit Card on back of form & the dates to collect and return the tag. (There will be a \$50 charge if tag not returned)***
- ***Please call 026685 9300 or email [depotadmin@byron.nsw.gov.au](mailto:depotadmin@byron.nsw.gov.au) to arrange day to collect tag and for details on where to return tag.***
- ***Tags need to be collected from Byron Council Depot, 10 Bayshore Drive Byron Bay during office hours (Mon – Fri 8.30am-4.00pm).***

**Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Residential Address:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Postcode: \_\_\_\_\_

**Postal Address:** (if same write 'as above')

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Postcode: \_\_\_\_\_

**Telephone Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

Please complete the following:

Date to collect tag: \_\_\_\_\_ (admin to complete: Tag No: \_\_\_\_\_)

Date to return tag: \_\_\_\_\_

I have read and understood the “Permit Conditions” and “Notification of Hazards and Restrictions” for the Byron Bay Integrated Water Management Reserve. **I understand that I will be charged \$50 on credit card if the tag is not returned:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

| Authority to Charge Credit Card  |                                     |  |  |                  |  |  |              |             |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|--|-------------------------------------|--|--|------------------|--|--|--------------|-------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Applicants Name:   |                                     |  |  |                  |  |  |              |             |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Amount Payable   | \$50.00 New/Lost Tag                |  |  |                  |  |  |              |             |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| I wish to pay by   | <input type="checkbox"/> Mastercard |  |  |                  |  |  | Expiry date: |             |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | <input type="checkbox"/> Visa       |  |  |                  |  |  | CCV code:    |             |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Card number  |                                     |  |  |                  |  |  |              |             |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| <b><i>I authorise a credit card fee of 0.42% to be added to the above amount</i></b> |                                     |  |  |                  |  |  |              |             |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |                                     |  |  |                  |  |  |              |             |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| <i>Card holders name</i>   |                                     |  |  | <i>Signature</i> |  |  |              | <i>Date</i> |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Privacy Collection Notice:

Your personal information is being collected for the purpose of providing you with a Bird Watching Access Permit. You may seek access to your personal information by contacting Byron Shire Council.



## CONDITIONS OF PERMIT FOR BIRD WATCHING

1. This permit may be cancelled without notice and no reason shall be given.
2. No claim shall be made against Byron Shire Council in respect of injury or damage suffered by the person to whom the permit is issued while in or on the Byron Bay Integrated Water Management Reserve ('the Reserve').
3. The person to whom this permit is issued shall indemnify Byron Shire Council against any claim for injury or damage suffered by any other person as a result of the permit holder's presence on the Reserve.
4. On demand of any Officer of Byron Shire Council or its Security Contractor, the holder of the permit shall provide evidence to identify themselves.
5. This permit is not transferable.
6. As the site may be unavailable for public access from time to time please call 02 6685 9300 to ensure that the site is open to the public.

Opening hours are:

- ◆ **Tuesdays, Thursdays Saturdays and Sundays**
  - ◆ Dawn to dusk (6.00am to 8.00pm)
  - ◆ The site may be closed on any of these days due to construction or other activities
7. A call out fee may apply if visitors are locked in after hours
  8. An electronic key tag will be issued providing access through the locked gates on the access road to 45 Wallum Place, from Bayshore Drive; they must not be lent to any other person.
  9. The key is not transferable and will permit access for the permit holder and up to three guests. The permit holder **MUST** be in attendance whilst guests are on the Reserve. The permit holder will be responsible for the safety and conduct of their guests.
  - 10 Groups must arrange access via the Technical and Customer Support (TC&S) Team on 02 6685 9300
  - 11 Failure to comply with the conditions of the permit and the restrictions detailed in this document will result in the cancellation of the permit.

### **I am aware that:**

- ◆ Council may discontinue the public access program at anytime without notice.
- ◆ Byron Shire Council will not be responsible for worn, lost or stolen Permits.
- ◆ **A payment of a \$50.00 fee will be charged if tag not returned**
- ◆ Children under the age of 16 may obtain a permit; they must be sponsored by a guardian.
- ◆ Permit conditions apply.

***Permit holders are not to employ call-playback for any species on site without Councils permission***



## NOTIFICATION OF HAZARDS AND RESTRICTIONS

(Please keep these pages for your records)

### Eligibility

Permits will only be issued to visitors outside of the Richmond Tweed Library catchment. Groups and limited access may be accommodated by contacting the Technical and Customer Support Officer- Byron Shire Council, PO Box 219 Mullumbimby NSW 2482, Email: [depotadmin@byron.nsw.gov.au](mailto:depotadmin@byron.nsw.gov.au), Phone: (02) 6685 9300

### Children

- ◆ Children under the age of 16 must be accompanied by a permit holding adult
- ◆ Persons over sixteen and under eighteen years of age may apply for a permit, but will require sponsorship from a legal guardian.

### Access Area

- ◆ Pedestrian access is permitted only to the areas indicated as 'accessible' on the accompanying map.
- ◆ Vehicles are limited to the access roads and parking areas identified on the map.

### Accessibility

- ◆ All walking tracks are rough, disabled person may require assistance. Toilets with disabled access are available.
- ◆ Speed is limited to 30kph maximum. Posted speed limits around the site are to be observed at all times for the safety of personnel and wildlife.
- ◆ Drivers must drive paying due regard to road and weather conditions present at the time.
- ◆ Obey all signs and any directions given by Byron Shire Council personnel.
- ◆ Wildlife may be encountered on roads and lagoon banks. Do Not feed the birds or animals.
- ◆ Do not attempt to drive through flooded roadways.
- ◆ Be aware that a wide variety of vehicles, plant and machinery use the Reserve's roads.
- ◆ Vehicles must be parked in a manner that does not obstruct access tracks.
- ◆ The reserve has areas where parts of the roadways are not visible, because of crests, foliage etc. Approach these areas with caution; wildlife maybe on the road and oncoming traffic may not be visible.

### Electricity

- ◆ High, medium and low voltage power supplies are present at various locations. Keep away from all electrical installations.

### Wastewater and sludge

- ◆ Wastewater and sludge are a health hazard and contain pathogens. Avoid all contact with **all** water, wastewater and sludge. Potable water is available at the interpretive centre.
- ◆ Ponds can vary from 1 to 8 meters in depth. Drowning could occur if ponds are entered.
- ◆ Drying sludge can form a crust with grass and matter, which may look solid but could become a drowning hazard.
- ◆ Wastewater gases can be lethal. Do not enter any confined space.
- ◆ Wastewater gases are flammable. No naked flame, smoking or potential sources of ignition are permitted where gasses may be present.

## **Equipment**

- ◆ Keep away from and do not interfere with any equipment, valves, gauges, solar panels, signage etc.
- ◆ Various equipment such as aerators, flares, blower systems and control gates are subject to automatic control and may start without warning.

## **Environment – no smoking is permitted in any area of the Reserve**

- ◆ Beware of animals, bird's, reptiles and insects. Snakes, spiders, bees and other creatures may be encountered.
- ◆ Beware of falling limbs from trees.
- ◆ The Reserve is a wildlife sanctuary, hunting, fishing, disturbing, capturing or destroying any native animals is strictly prohibited.
- ◆ Taking of soil and plants or part thereof is prohibited.
- ◆ Carrying of firearms or crossbows on the reserve is an offence and persons shooting on the reserve are liable for prosecution.
- ◆ Camping, lighting of fires, digging for worms, mushrooming and cutting or removal of trees is prohibited.
- ◆ Dogs, cats, horses and other domestic pets are not permitted on site.

## **General**

- ◆ Please report any hazards.
- ◆ Comments for improving the facility are welcome, please address correspondence to:  
Technical & Customer Support Officer, Infrastructure Services - Byron Shire Council,  
PO Box 219 Mullumbimby NSW 2482.  
Email: [depotadmin@byron.nsw.gov.au](mailto:depotadmin@byron.nsw.gov.au)  
Phone: 02 6685 9300

**Council would appreciate records of any wildlife observations you make during your visits.**

