



Wedding Ceremony Information and Application

FREYCINET NATIONAL PARK

Overview:

Written consent, or authority, is required to conduct a wedding ceremony on reserved land which includes national parks, state reserves and conservation areas. The authority is issued in accordance with Regulation 25 of the *National Parks and Reserved Land Regulations 2009* to conduct a group activity (wedding ceremony), subject to the conditions, that would otherwise be prohibited under Regulation 16 of the *National Parks and Reserved Land Regulation 2009*.

Consent may not be provided where a request for a wedding ceremony may compromise the areas natural and cultural values. As such, wedding ceremonies will generally be permitted at beaches, day use areas and/or formal area such as campgrounds.

The consent will not provide exclusive use of an area. All areas will remain accessible to the general public, however only one authorised wedding will be held at a location at a given time.

There are currently no fees or charges for holding a wedding ceremony on reserved land.

If a PWS staff member is required to supervise, there is an assistance fee of \$75.00 per hour for weekdays and \$90.00 per hour for weekends and public holidays.

Wedding Ceremonies:

Weddings are only permitted in the Visitor Services Zones and include the following locations with associated group size limitations:

- Honeymoon Bay beach only (maximum group size 40 persons)
- Sleepy Bay beach only (maximum group size 40 persons)
- Richardson's Beach (maximum group size 60 persons)
- Friendly Beaches (maximum group size 60 persons)
- Cape Tourville Lighthouse (maximum group size 60 persons)

All ceremony participants and guests must have a valid Tasmanian National Parks Pass. These are available for purchase at the Freycinet National Park Visitor Centre, or via the Parks and Wildlife Service website www.parks.tas.gov.au and Service Tasmania shops.

Freycinet National Park does not have the capacity to provide areas for receptions, however there are numerous private venues in the area that are suitable.

Coastal locations:

There are numerous coastal areas outside of the national park that are managed by the Parks and Wildlife Service predominately as Conservation Areas (CA) which are suitable for wedding ceremonies.

Some well known areas with beautiful beaches include, but are not limited to:

Nine Mile Beach, Swansea	Scamander CA
Redbill Beach CA, Bicheno	St Helens Point CA
Chain of Lagoons CA	Humbug Point CA
Four Mile Creek CA	Bay of Fires CA

Many beach locations, especially close to or within town boundaries, may be the management responsibility of local Councils. Councils may or may not require the organisers to apply for a permit. It is the responsibility of the applicant to enquire, apply for and hold all relevant approvals for their activity.

Photography, Broadcasting, Film and Television Recording:

The hirer shall inform the Parks and Wildlife Services of any intention to photograph, televise, or record any activity within the site that is broadcast in a public domain.

The use of drones in national parks and reserves is also prohibited unless a separate permit has been granted by the Tasmania Parks and Wildlife Service.

Bookings:

Advance bookings are essential and can be made by completing the application form and sending to freycinet@parks.tas.gov.au

Conditions:

Under the National Parks and Reserved Land Regulations, 1999, the following applies:

- Visitor/s must obey any lawful instruction given by an authorised Parks and Wildlife Officer.
- Visitor/s must comply with any prohibition or restriction contained in a sign or notice.
- Dogs (other than authorised guide dogs), cats, and other domesticated animals must not be taken onto or kept in the area.
- All rubbish must be removed from the site at the end of the ceremony. In lieu of an *environmental bond* the Tasmania Parks and Wildlife Service reserves the right to invoice the wedding party for an after event works undertaken to restore the site to the pre-event condition.
- Fires are not permitted in Freycinet National Park, including the use of candles or other open flames.
- All plants, animals and natural and cultural resources are protected and must not be disturbed or damaged, particularly nesting shore birds.

Additional Conditions:

- Alcohol consumption is acceptable within the parameters of the responsible serving of alcohol code and must be enforced by the wedding hosts.
- Bands, amplifiers, musical instruments and public address systems are to be kept at a level to not impact on people or the environment.
- Plant material including flowers, rice, petals or similar are not permitted.
- Symbolically releasing balloons, confetti, insects, birds or other animals is not permitted.
- Exclusive use of areas, roping off of areas, closing off doors to the public or signage indicating an exclusive event is not permitted.
- Authorised persons must exercise due caution, care and respect for other users of the reserved land to ensure that other users are not displaced or have their experience diminished through the exercise of this authority.
- Limited equipment including a small table and two chairs for the register signing, chairs for the elderly and mobility impaired and an arbor may be permitted.
- Where public toilet facilities are not provided, there may be a requirement for the organiser to provide a portable toilet for the purposes of the event.
- The area being used for the ceremony including associated car parking is not exclusive and cannot be roped off. Public access to any campground, road network, beach and access tracks is not to be compromised.

Indemnity:

The person/s granted a consent will indemnify the Crown and its employees, agents and contractors from and against all actions, claims, demands, costs, and expenses to which the Crown and its employees, agents and contractors shall or may be or become liable in respect of or arising from any loss, injury, death, or damage sustained, caused or contributed to by an act, omission, or neglect by the authorised person/s and the authorised person/s employees, agents, contractors, invitees and guests in or upon the site during the period of the venue hire agreement and the departure from the site.

Application to hold a Wedding Ceremony in Freycinet National Park

Name:	
Address:	
Telephone:	
Mobile:	
Email:	
Contact person during event:	
Contact person's mobile:	

Description of the event

Location:	
Date:	
Arrival Time: (for set up)	
Departure Time:	
Total number of people attending:	
Reception venue:	

Equipment

Chairs:	
Tables:	
Other:	

I, _____

agree to the terms, conditions and requirements of this consent.

Signed: _____

Date: _____

Applicants Signature

Please return completed to:

Freycinet National Park

Private Bag 5,

Bicheno 7215

Tasmania

Freycinet@parks.tas.gov.au

