Where can I camp?

You can generally freedom camp throughout the Waimakariri District on gravelled or sealed Council land set aside for parking. Look out for the prohibited zones at Waikuku Beach.

Travellers wanting to get closer to nature may prefer the Department of Conservation campsites at Wooded Gully. Mt. Thomas is a popular picnicking area with views over the Canterbury Plains. It is also the starting point for a network of walks and tracks.

Camping is also allowed in the Waimakariri River Park west of Cars Road. This park is controlled by Environment Canterbury and advice regarding camping in this, or the Ashley/Rakahuri River Park, is available through the Environment Canterbury website ecan.govt.nz.

Freedom camper responsibilities

Waimakariri is committed to sustainability and asks all visitors to help protect our beautiful natural environment. Freedom campers are asked to assist by:

• removing all rubbish, solid or liquid waste from the camping site when leaving
• disposing of rubbish, recycling and waste at approved sites
• using appropriate toileting facilities
• ensuring that all pets are appropriately controlled
• abiding by all Council bylaws including barbeque use, camp fires, noise and animal control.

Light no fires

Lighting fires is not allowed. Please use a gas barbeque for all cooking unless you are in licensed holiday parks.

Where to dump?

Human waste can be disposed of at:
- Rangiora: Intersection of Railway and Marsh Road.
- Kaiapoi: 20m east of Jones Street on the river side of Charles Street.
- Oxford: 64 High Street.

Rubbish and recycling can be disposed of at:
- Rangiora: 284 Flaxton Road.
- Oxford: 46 High Street.

Rubbish disposal is free if placed in an official Council rubbish bag and taken to a transfer station. These can be purchased at any local supermarket, dairy or Council Service Centre.

For more information

Waimakariri District Council
waimakariri.govt.nz
- Rangiora Service Centre - 215 High Street
- Kaiapoi Service Centre - 176 Williams Street
- Oxford Service Centre - 34 Main Street
p: 03 311 8900
e: office@wmk.govt.nz

i-SITE Visitor Information Centre
visitwaimakariri.co.nz
143 Williams Street, Kaiapoi
p: 03 327 3134
e: info@visitwaimakariri.co.nz

Department of Conservation
dbc.gov.nz
- North Canterbury Office, 32 River Road, Rangiora
p: 03 313 0820
e: waimakariri@dbc.govt.nz

Environment Canterbury Regional Council
ecan.govt.nz
p: 0800 324 636
e: ecinfo@ecan.govt.nz

There is plenty to do in the Waimakariri District, from strolling along the beaches of beautiful Pegasus Bay, hiking in the hills or exploring the river parks and walkways of the Waimakariri and Ashley/Rakahuri Rivers.
Holiday parks offer a wide range of facilities for motorhomes, campervans, caravans and tents. For a convenient, hassle-free stay campers are encouraged to use these.

1. Ashley Gorge Holiday Park
   697 Ashley Gorge Road, Oxford
   p: 03 3124 099
   w: ashleygorgeholidaypark.co.nz

2. Kairaki Beach Camping Ground
   Featherston Avenue, Kairaki Beach, Kaiapoi
   p: 03 327 7335

3. Leigh Camp and Holiday Park
   433 Dixons Road, Loburn
   p: 03 312 8872

4. Pineacres Holiday Park
   240 Main North Road, Kaiapoi
   p: 03 327 5022 - Freephone: 0800 896 543
   e: pineacresholiday@yahoo.co.nz

5. Rangiora Holiday Park
   337 Lehmanns Road, Rangiora
   p: 03 313 5759

6. Riverlands Holiday Park
   45 Doubledays Road, Clarkville
   p: 03 327 5511
   w: riverlandspark.co.nz
   e: riverlandspark@xtra.co.nz

7. Waikuku Beach Holiday Park
   1 Domain Terrace, Waikuku Beach
   p: 03 312 7600
   w: waikukubeachholidaypark.com
   e: arkiwi@hotmail.com

8. Woodend Beach Holiday Park
   14 Woodend Beach Road, Woodend Beach
   p: 03 312 7643
   w: woodendbeachholidaypark.co.nz

9. DOC Wooded Gully Camping Ground
   Mt Thomas Forest, Hayland Road, Okuku
   p: 03 313 0820
   w: doc.govt.nz
   e: waimakariri@doc.govt.nz

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Key:
- Camping Ground
- Service Centre
- Waste Disposal Facilities
- Public Toilet
- Transfer Station
- Department of Conservation
- i-SITE Visitor Information Centre