



Embargo Notice – Out of Bounds Areas

New Zealand Secondary School Orienteering Championships 2026

On behalf of Peninsula & Plains Orienteers (host of the NZ Secondary School Orienteering Championships 2026), we advise the following embargoes applying to competition areas.

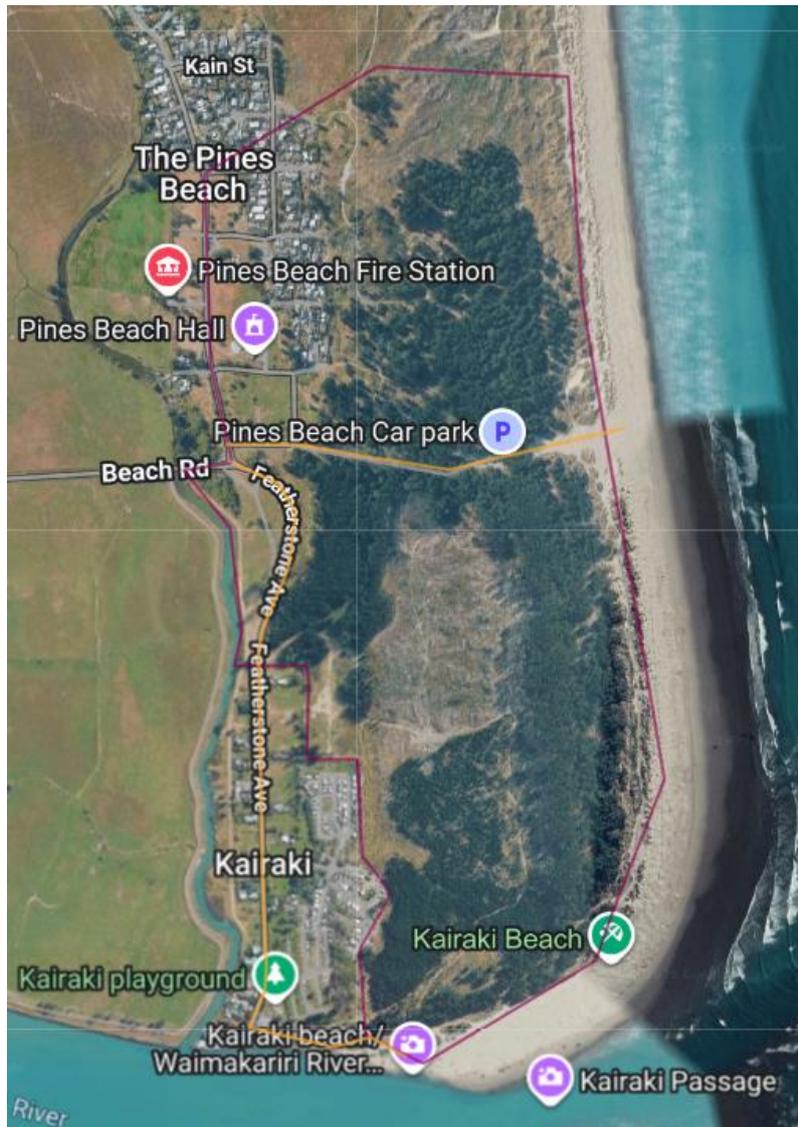
An embargo is a restriction over specific dates, which prevents athletes accessing a competition area prior to the competition taking place.

These embargoes apply to all competitors and other persons, to avoid anyone gaining a competitive advantage through recent knowledge of the terrain.

All athletes attending the NZ Secondary Schools' Orienteering Championships (NZSSOC) must abide by these embargoes leading up to the events, and anyone breaching these will be non-competitive at NZSSOC 2026. All the embargoes may also be viewed at this [Google Map](#) link.

NZSSOC Relay Championships, Kairaki / Pines Beach, Thursday 16th July 2026

The area outlined in red on the map below, is embargoed with immediate effect (11-12-2025).



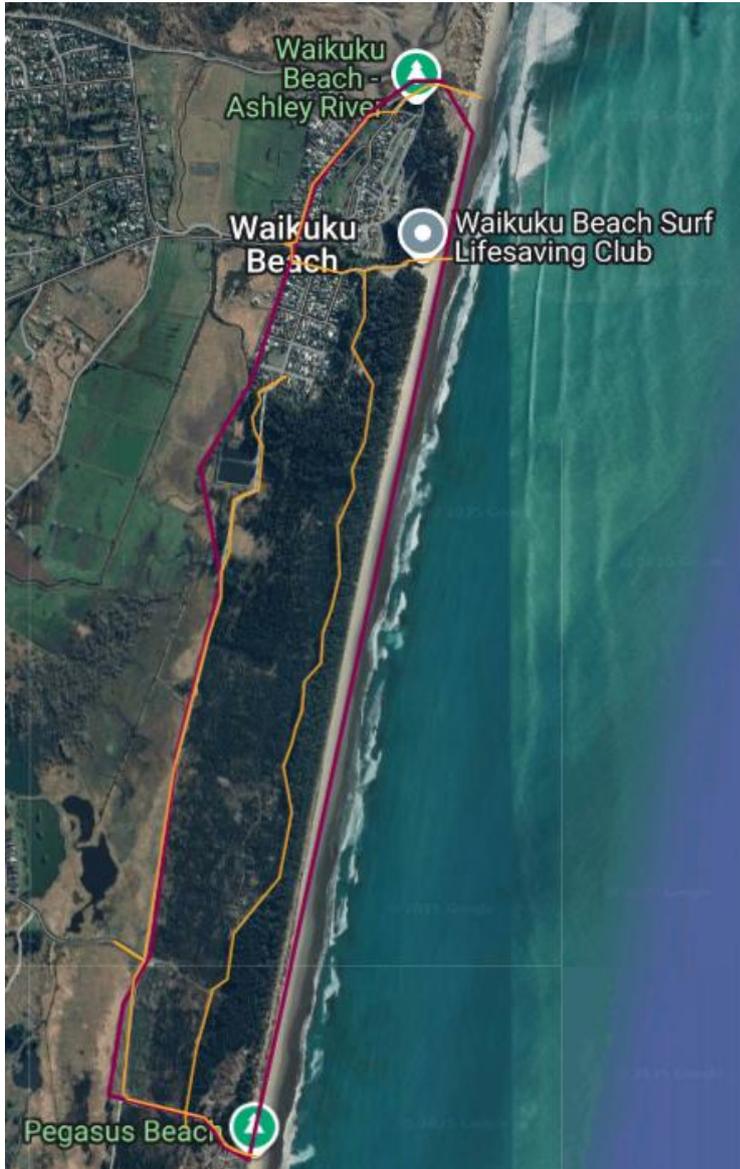
Students with a bona-fide reason for visiting the Pines Beach or Kairaki settlements, Pines Beach or Kairaki Beach may do so (as indicated by orange routes). Entry into any forested areas, except on the designated beach access routes, is expressly forbidden.

The use of orienteering maps and route choice testing is forbidden at all times within all of the embargoed area.

A total embargo applies to the published embargo area from 8am on the day prior to the competition (ie. 8:00am Wednesday 15th July, 2026) until course closure in the late afternoon of the competition day (Thursday 16th July 2026). The only exception to the embargo on the competition day is permitted routes to the car parking/event arena and start. These routes will be published in bulletin 2.

NZSSOC Long Distance Championships, Waikuku, Friday 17th July 2026

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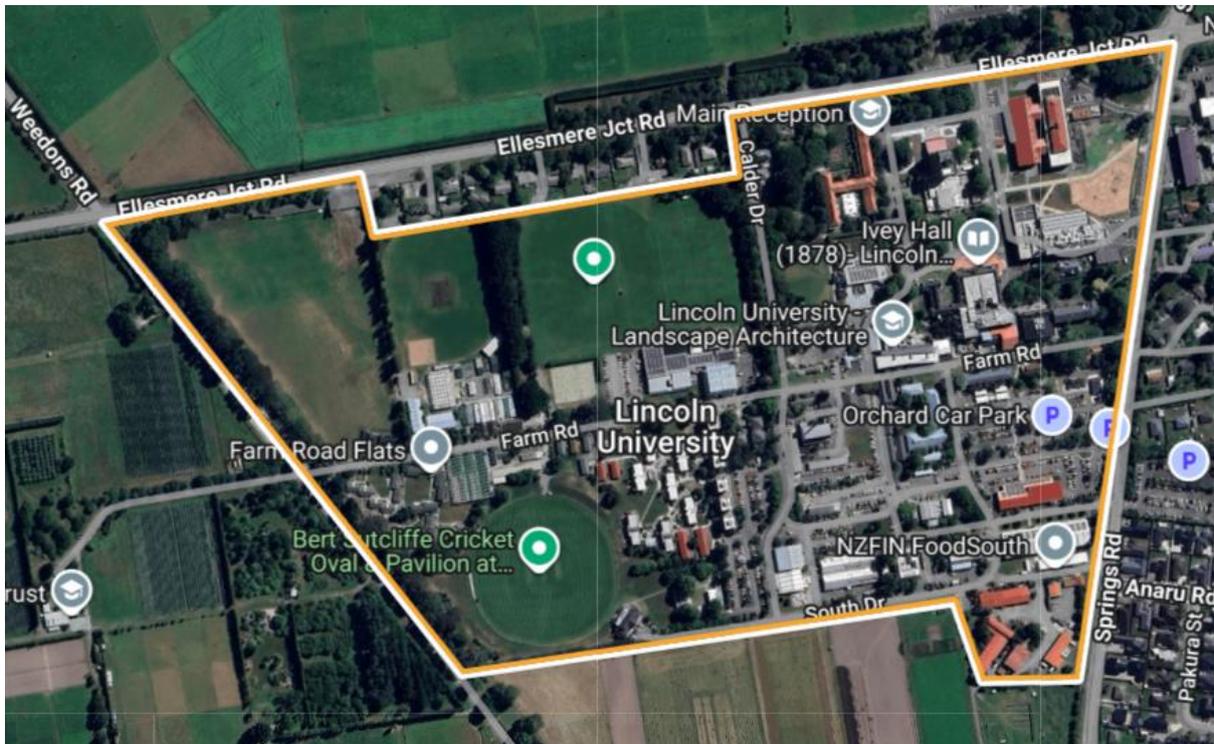
Students with a bona-fide reason for visiting the Waikuku Beach settlement, Waikuku Beach, Pegasus Beach, the Tutaepatu Trail or the Pegasus Walkway may do so (as indicated by orange routes). Entry into any forested areas, except on the designated trails or beach access routes, is expressly forbidden.

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NZSSOC Sprint Championships, Lincoln University, Saturday 18th July 2026

The campus of Lincoln University, outlined in orange on the map below, is embargoed with immediate effect (11-12-2025).



Students with a bona-fide reason for visiting Lincoln University may do so.

The use of orienteering maps and route choice testing is forbidden at all times within the embargo.

A total embargo applies to the published embargo area from 8am on the day of competition (Saturday 18th July, 2026) until course closure in the late afternoon. The only exception to the embargo on the competition day is permitted routes to the car parking/event arena and start. These routes will be published in bulletin 2.