



Hang Gliding & Paragliding operations at Rainbow Beach Wide Bay-Burnett Region of Queensland (QLD)

Having completed discussions with CASA, there is no reason for HG/PG operations at Rainbow Beach not to continue, providing that landings are made in accordance with the amended "Site Operations" on page 2 of this document. Additional conditions would be as follows:

1. The person must ensure that the aircraft is operated in accordance with CAO 95.8 and the HGFA Operation Manual, other than the clearances exempted above.
2. The person must hold 1 of the following certificates issued by the HGFA:
 - (a) supervised, intermediate or advanced Paraglider Certificate;
 - (b) supervised, intermediate or advanced Hang Glider Certificate;
 - (c) Student Pilot Certificate.
3. If the person holds a Student Pilot Certificate, he or she must be directly supervised by a person who holds an Instructor Certificate issued by the HGFA.
4. If the person holds a Supervised Pilot Certificate, he or she must consult an on-site Duty Pilot or SPHGC Safety Officer regarding the suitability of conditions prior to their proposed flight.
5. The person may land in the designated area on Rainbow Beach only if:
 - (a) to do so would not endanger a person on the ground; and
 - (b) would not cause conflict with a vehicle on Rainbow Beach or other airspace users; and
 - (c) satisfied that operations maybe carried out safely, having regard to the recommended procedures set out in the Sunshine Coast Sports Aviator Clubs site regulations.



Site Rules and Information– Rainbow Beach

Rainbow Beach is located within the Cooloola Great Sandy National Park. National Parks generally consider HG and PG as unsuitable activity for a National Park but the Sunshine Coast Hang Gliding Club has been extremely lucky to be granted a permit for it's members to be allowed to fly from Carlo Sand Blow but with strict conditions.

No more than 30 pilots on site at any one time. ALL pilots must be HGFA and SCHGC members. We are only allowed to use up 30% of the car park, so car pooling is essential. Do not walk on the walking track in large groups, break up into smaller groups (to avoid conflicts with other users). **No landing south of the bathing area, as this is the 4WD access to the beach.**

All landings must be either top landings **or in the designated beach landing area**, NORTH of the bathing area.

This landing area being from 200m North West of the point where all vehicles must exit the beach to a point 400m North West of where the vehicles must exit the beach for the total width of the beach" (See Diagram page 3).

Follow the instructions of the Senior Safety Officer at all times. Please note that National Parks is doing regular checks in the Carlo Sand-blow now, so help us keep our site and follow these simple rules.

Site Hazards:

Avoid the South East corner of blow. Turbulence and wind rotor can be experienced in this area.

Be aware there is a venturi effect in the middle of blow.

Paragliders should watch for, and give way to hang gliders, launching and landing in the blow.

As usual, all other protocols and regulations as per the HGFA apply.

Wind Direction

This site takes NE wind direction, but is flyable from East to North/North East.

Experience Level

All Levels

Who to Contact

You must contact a club safety officer before flying.

Paragliding Safety Officer:

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Hang Gliding Safety Officer:

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