

# SURVIVAL GUIDE

YOUR GUIDE TO SURVIVING THE Paddock.  
WELCOME HOME.



**KIWIBURN IS A COLLABORATIVE, PARTICIPATORY EXPERIENCE UNLIKE OTHER FESTIVALS.** We – the participants – are co-creating a gift economy and a different kind of social reality so feel free to radically express yourself while respecting other people's boundaries. You are responsible for bringing everything you need; food and water, beverages, camping equipment and first-aid supplies. All participants are collectively responsible for creating a safe space for our temporary community to flourish. Read this guide and follow the advice provided then bring your passion and share your dreams.



# OUR TEN GUIDING PRINCIPLES KIWIBURN IS BUILT ON THE TEN PRINCIPLES OF BURNING MAN. THESE ARE:

## 1. RADICAL INCLUSION

Anyone may be a part of Burning Man. We welcome and respect the stranger. No prerequisites exist for participation in our community.\*

## 2. GIFTING

Burning Man is devoted to acts of gift giving. The value of a gift is unconditional. Gifting does not contemplate a return or an exchange for something of equal value.

## 3. DECOMMODIFICATION.

In order to preserve the spirit of gifting, our community seeks to create social environments that are unmediated by commercial sponsorships, transactions, or advertising. We stand ready to protect our culture from such exploitation. We resist the substitution of consumption for participatory experience.

## 4. RADICAL SELF-RELIANCE

Burning Man encourages the individual to discover, exercise and rely on their inner resources.

## 5. RADICAL SELF-EXPRESSION

Radical self-expression arises from the unique gifts of the individual. No one other than the individual or a collaborating group can determine its content. It is offered as a gift to others. In this spirit, the giver should respect the rights and liberties of the recipient.

## 6. COMMUNAL EFFORT

Our community promotes social interaction through collective acts of gifting. We value creative cooperation and collaboration. We strive to produce, promote and protect social networks, public spaces, works of art, and methods of communication that support such interaction.

## 7. CIVIC RESPONSIBILITY

We value civil society. Community members who organise events should assume responsibility for public welfare and endeavour to communicate civic responsibilities to participants. Organisers and participants must also assume responsibility for abiding by national law and district bylaws.

## 8. LEAVING NO TRACE

Our community respects the environment. We are committed to leaving no physical trace of our activities wherever we gather. We clean up after ourselves and endeavour, whenever possible, to leave such places in a better condition than when we found them.

## 9. PARTICIPATION

Our community is committed to a radically participatory ethic. We believe that transformative change, whether in the individual or in society, can occur only through the medium of deeply personal participation in experience. We achieve being through doing. Everyone is invited to work. Everyone is invited to play. We make the world real through actions that open the heart.

## 10. IMMEDIACY

Immediate experience is, in many ways, the most important touchstone of value in our culture. We seek to overcome barriers that stand between us and a recognition of our inner selves, appreciation of the reality of those around us, participation in society, and contact with a natural world exceeding human powers. No idea can substitute for this experience.

\*Conditions of Entry/Code of Conduct

## **KIWIBURN IS AN EXPERIMENT IN TEMPORARY COMMUNITY.**

As there are no paid performers at the event, there are no spectators, and what is shared are the passions and dreams of those who gift them. You do not 'attend' Kiwiburn, you are part of it. There will be no money exchanged for anything at the event (except ice). We are co-creating a gift economy and a different kind of social reality along with it.



# CULTURE AT KIWIBURN

KIWIBURN IS A BURNING MAN REGIONAL EVENT,  
BASED ON THE TEN PRINCIPLES OF BURNING MAN

**Because many people only know a world shaped by institutions, service workers and commercial transactions, they may not even recognise the signs of a community. Here are a few indications of community:**

## Capacity

Communities are built on the recognition of the unique abilities of every member. Commerce and the public service sector define us on the basis of deficiency and need.

## Collective Effort

Community is cooperative – uniting us as varied members of one body. When, by contrast, we consume a service, we're made passive. 50 million people may view a television programme or consume a beverage in complete isolation from one another.

## Informality

In the community, transactions of value take place without money, advertising, or hype. Care emerges in place of structured service.

## Stories

In universities, people know through studies. In businesses and bureaucracies, people know by reports. In communities, people know by stories.

## Celebration

Community activities incorporate celebration, parties and other social events. The line between work and play is blurred and the human nature of everyday life becomes part of the way you work. You will know that you are in a community if you often hear laughter and singing.

# ARRIVING AT KIWIBURN GETTING IN MADE EASY

## Early Arrivals

We enforce a strict early entry policy and need to keep our pre-event population to a minimum as a condition of our resource consent, as well as being on private property.

- Only volunteers, Artists and Theme Camp representatives with **written approval** will be allowed onsite before Gate opens – no exceptions. Security will be stationed on the entrance road outside of Gate hours.
- **NOTE: being a volunteer does NOT get you on the Early Entry list – only volunteers with early shifts qualify for early arrival.**
- Theme Camps, and Art Installations **MUST** have received written permission from Kiwiburn to arrive early, and no earlier than the date granted.
- Registering a Theme Camp or Art Installation does not guarantee early entry.
- All others will be turned away.

## Arrival

- Be aware that you may be required to wait at the Gate while others are processed.
- The entry road is also the main access road for the farm so please be patient and considerate and pull your vehicle as far to the left side of the road as possible to leave room for through traffic.

Gate volunteers will be checking the contents of your vehicle, and checking that:

- You have tickets ready to be processed. There is no reception at Gate. If you do not have your ticket ready, you will be turned away to find reception off-site.
- You have enough water and food. If you are not prepared, you will be turned away to get provisions
- You do not have any prohibited items\* (eg Pets, explosives, aerial flares, rockets, fireworks, glitter, or firearms of any kind).

Everyone in your vehicle must meet these conditions of entry or you will be refused entry.

\*T&Cs of entry

## Participation

Participating in the event is rewarding! There are ample opportunities as ours is a society of activists. When we see a job that needs to be done, we roll up our sleeves and pitch in.

- Keep in mind, there is no “they”, only “us”.
- Kiwiburn is a 100% participant funded and staffed event.

Sadly, there are always a few people who just don't get it. These folks believe that the mystical “they” will appear to provide for their needs and clean up their mess. Help us instruct them. If you see someone acting irresponsibly, introduce yourself and speak up. Also, don't be a “participation snob”. Just because someone isn't costumed or visibly participating doesn't mean they aren't contributing. Speak with compassion.

## Diversity

All religions, ages, sexual identities, gender identities, ethnic identities and abilities are welcome and celebrated at Kiwiburn. **There is no tolerance for discrimination or racism.**

## Consent

Consent is a vital part of our culture, which means we value clear communication and respect for other people's boundaries. We support safe and inclusive communities free from assault, harm and harassment.

If you experience a consent violation there are avenues for reporting and support. We take a survivor/victim lead approach which means you have autonomy and control over what will happen, and we will support your choices. We have a number of trained people who can provide information and support:

### Kiwiburn resources:

- **Site Managers** are on duty 24/7.
- **Rangers** and **Consent Guardians** have roving crews
- **Deep Space** and the **Sanctuary** are always open.
- Kiwiburn has 24 hour Security

### External support:

Safe To Talk – contact a trained specialist any time, day or night for information and support regarding sexually harmful behaviours including referrals to specialists in your area – 0800 044 334.

## Burning Etiquette

The burning of public structures, such as lampposts or bulletin boards, is prohibited.

- **The burning of other people's artwork is forbidden.**
- Individual artists have the sole right to burn their own creation, though only with preapproval from Kiwiburn.
- Do NOT burn other people's property! If you witness such vandalism, please inform a volunteer with a radio.
- Any artwork which burns on site is required to be pre-approved by the Kiwiburn Arts Committee (KAC) and Event Management.

## Our Neighbours

You might pass through the communities of Hunterville, Marton and/or Taihape. Hunterville, about 10kms from site, has a large 4 Square, two gas stations, several motels, cafes, and restaurants.

- Please remember that these towns are NOT extensions of Kiwiburn.
- DO NOT replenish your water supply from a local spigot. This water belongs to local residents and they have to pay for it.
- DO NOT deposit any form of rubbish here or by the roadside.
- DO NOT speed through these towns, and avoid blocking driveways when parking.
- DO NOT forget to wear pants or other appropriate clothing.
- The locals welcome us, but bad behaviour on your part can undermine this relationship. Behave as you would in any small community. Be courteous and patient, dress appropriately and do not impart a party atmosphere. We are guests here. Be friendly and respectful to all local residents.

## Tickets

**Violation of Kiwiburn's Conditions of Entry/Code of Conduct, including violent or antisocial behaviour, can result in revocation of your ticket and ejection from the event without refund.**

- No one under 18 will be admitted without a parent or guardian.
- Kiwiburn does not have gate sales.

## Respect public boundaries

- Kiwiburn will establish a boundary around the event. Areas outside of the marked boundary are private property, and deemed trespassing and a violation of Kiwiburn's Conditions of Entry and Event Safety Plan.
- No camping or venturing allowed outside site area.

## MOOP! (Matter-Out-Of-Place)

Our culture calls for a dedicated commitment to leaving no trace.

- This applies to the tiny pieces that are accidentally left around as much as it does the big stuff.
- Kiwiburn is also a do-ocracy. If you see MOOP, pick it up.
- You are responsible for ensuring your campsite is clear before you leave.
- It's easier if you clean as you go, and think about what you're bringing to the burn and how that could affect the Paddock
- Compost is MOOP – do not to bury it in the ground.

## Telephone Service

Mobile phones have patchy service on site, depending on where you are and what provider you're with.

- Spark has the best coverage
- The top paddock generally has the best reception
- Use your phones thoughtfully on the Paddock so as not to disturb other participants.

## Ice

For the health and safety of our participants, Ice is the one exception to the no-commerce rule at Kiwiburn.

- Ice can be purchased from The Depot for about \$5 a bag – exact money appreciated
- The Depot is open 10am–5pm every day.

## Leave No Trace

**No rubbish or recycling receptacles are provided at Kiwiburn.** Contribute to our long-term survival: Pack it In, Pack it Out.

- Take everything you bring to the event and receive at the event back home with you.
- Do not empty rubbish or put anything other than human waste in the portable toilets.
- You are responsible for the condition of your campsite and nearby public areas of Kiwiburn. Clean up as you go!
- The Leave No Trace Team complete a thorough sweep of the whole site for reporting to the community post-event.
- **Do not leave your rubbish in neighbouring towns.**

## Commerce

**You can not buy or sell anything.** Kiwiburn is a place of sharing and free exchange within a gift economy. The only exception to this is ice at The Depot. Corporate advertising is not allowed at Kiwiburn.

- Participants with rental trucks are enthusiastically encouraged to cover or decorate prominent logos.
- The display or distribution of corporate banners, corporate logos, giveaway items, samples, and other such promotional paraphernalia is strictly prohibited.
- The sale of products and services is prohibited within our community.
- Bring what you need. Sales of hand-made items and food items “in order to cover costs of the trip” are not allowed.
- There is NO participant vending.
- Ask your neighbours should you need a specific item – this is not a consumer event.

### Information and Lost and Found

**Small valuables like car keys, wallets and phones should be handed in at the Depot.**

- Participants are responsible for looking after their clothing and other property.
- Do not leave it lying around or it will get thrown out after the event.
- Important items (phones, wedding rings, prescription glasses) unclaimed will get back to owners through the power of social media (posted on a facebook lost and found page) and email.

### Toilets

Portable toilets are provided at Kiwiburn which are serviced during the event.

- Leave No Trace and Civil Responsibility apply to toilet use – leave no rubbish and leave them clean for next person.
- Leave the lids down to limit odours.
- **Peeing on the Paddock violates our Resource Consent.**

### Cars on the Paddock

- **No cruising!** The Kiwiburn site is designed for pedestrians and bicycles.
- No cars, motorcycles, quad bikes, golf carts or go-carts are allowed to driven in our town or the surrounding area, except for registered art and safety vehicles.
- Non-essential vehicles are not permitted on the Paddock and must be parked in a designated parking area.
- Your hazard lights **MUST** be on when driving between Gate and the Paddock.
- The speed limit on site is 10km/hr at all times.
- Once your car is parked it must stay parked until the end of the event.

Read our [Parking Policy](#) outlining details of vehicle usage at Kiwiburn. Remember: the event ends Monday, and there is still no driving allowed on Sunday night (unless you are leaving for good, in which case, drive slowly).

### Grey Water

Most camps need to dispose of grey water during Kiwiburn. Grey water is produced from cooking, dish washing, and hair and body washing. Kiwiburn is in a paddock, so you may dump your grey water on the grass.

- **Be thoughtful about what and where you are dumping.**
- Make sure there are no food scraps in the water.
- Dump it out somewhere where people do not walk (although please stay within the festival boundaries).

### Pets

**No pets are allowed at Kiwiburn.**

- Our resource consent prohibits pets from being brought to the site. (Any dogs onsite belong to the farm-owner).
- Do not show up with your dog (or other pets) at the gate of Kiwiburn and expect to be admitted to the event.

This restriction is for the well-being and safety of participants, their four legged friends, and the protection of stock on site and in the area. Permission for an accredited Guide Dog can be requested by [contacting the ExCom](#).

### Freedom and the Media

The media are a part of our experience at Kiwiburn.

- Reporting and documenting is a form of expression and freedom of the press means they are not excluded – they are an opportunity to affect the world by illustrating what we do together as a community.
- We do limit the number of crews approved to film at the event.
- Those approved to film are pledged not to interfere with your experience.
- Should you feel that someone toting a camera is creating a nuisance, contact a volunteer.



## Art Grants

Art Grants help fund projects at Kiwiburn.

- The Kiwiburn Arts Committee (KAC) looks for works that stand out as a public contribution.
- All the money comes from ticket sales.
- You can find out more on the [website](#) about how to get funding for your project.

## Artery

Artery is the heART of all things art on the Paddock and open 24/7. It's a public space where all are welcome, near the Depot.



- Come hang out in the shade, create collaboratively or by yourself in the company of others.
- Learn how you can get an Art Grant to bring your epic idea to the Paddock next year!
- View designs and images of Kiwiburn's Temples and Effigies.
- Check out the Event Guide for information on workshops, Art Tours, art gifting and more!

## Effigy

The Effigy burn is the climax of our festival on Saturday night – the energy builds and gradually the community gathers together. Witness the collision of subcultures, the roaring of fauns on bouncing stilts, an epic fire-dancing performance and await the hush before ignition watching as the structure catches alight. This ritual means whatever you want it to mean: combust in unity, burn your fears, free your radical self-expression.

- **Do not cross the burn perimeter until the fire-safety people say you can.**



## Temple

Started at Burning Man as a one person's monument to a lost friend, the Temple quickly became a shared project. The Temple doesn't belong to any religion. It means what you want it to mean – a place for sharing, letting go of grief, honouring people.

- Write on the walls, leave a shrine to your dearly-departed, your old diaries, grieve. You don't have to, but it is a truly wonderful thing to have a space for emotion at a festival.
- Please be respectful of other people's offerings – do not deface them.
- The Temple burns on the Sunday night. Unlike the epic Effigy burn party of the night before, the Temple is about quiet reflection.
- Silence is part of the process of letting go.

## Photography

- Commercial use of all imagery taken at Kiwiburn is forbidden without express permission.
- All professional photographers with intent to receive compensation for a Kiwiburn image (including editorial or gallery) must check in with the organisers.
- Pre- or post-event, photographers are required to seek permission by emailing [photography@kiwiburn.com](mailto:photography@kiwiburn.com) outlining their intended project.
- ALL motion-capturing video and film cameras must be registered for professional purposes.
  - **There is no filming without express permission.** You must always ask for permission from your subject before taking their photo.

## Generators

Thinking of bringing a generator? Kiwiburn is full of music, laughter, questionable performance art, chanting, shouting, singing and drumming. Yet, while the drone of raves in the night is something we can all adapt to, the relentless brrrrraaaaaaaappp of a noisy generator is quite another. Just as bad, the exhaust can be like sleeping inside a garage with a car running.

- Bring the quietest generator you can afford, and the smallest that will meet your actual needs. nb Larger generators are more difficult to transport.
- Don't run your generator late at night or early in the morning.
- Place the generator as far from other camps as possible.
- Cover your generator with a sound shield or baffle. Do NOT bury it to shield the noise. No matter how well it is filled afterwards, the hole leaves a tremendous gouge in the ground.
- Make sure people can't trip over any power cords.
- Keep fuel out of sunlight, away from heat and igniters.



## Sound

Kiwiburn is dedicated to radical self-expression, but it is also dedicated to creating community.

- Not everyone will want to sleep when you do – the only reliable way to get a quiet, uninterrupted night's sleep is to bring earplugs.
- All sound systems must comply with Kiwiburn's resource consent conditions. Details of the requirements are [here](#)
- All sound camps must be registered pre-event. Theme Camp information [here](#).

### Guidelines for sound systems:

#### DAY 7am–10pm:

SPL not to exceed 48 Db A-weighted average over a five minute period at boundary with neighbouring properties.

#### NIGHT 10pm–7am:

SPL not to exceed 37 Db A-weighted average over a five minute period at boundary with neighbouring properties, nor exceed 65Db A-weighted max volume.

- If you are annoying people, or Kiwiburn receives noise complaints, the device or system will be disabled.
- Full requirements outlined in the [Kiwiburn Sound Policy](#).

**In accordance with our Resource Consent conditions, there is to be NO amplified sound prior to 7am on the Wednesday, or after 7am Monday of the event.**

## CULTURE AT KIWIBURN CAMPING

### NO camping under trees!

There is **NO CAMPING IN THE FOREST!**

- There will be Art, games and of course the beautiful river to swim in, and the Forest will be for **AWAKE AND AWARE** use only.
- **NO CARS ARE ALLOWED IN THE FOREST AT ANY TIME.**
- Please park in the designated area(s).

**BRING YOUR OWN SHADE!** Whether it's a carport, a tarp and some poles, or a fully-fledged marquee, shading your tent will keep you cool in those early morning hours (and the afternoon if you need a disco nap)!

### Camping in vehicles

Campervans or recreational vehicles are welcome.

- Be aware that there is no dumping station on-site, and you will **not** be allowed to dump anything other than grey water on the ground.
- **No vehicles of any kind are allowed in the Forest.**
- Non-essential vehicles are not permitted on the Paddock and must be parked in a designated parking area.
- Once your car is parked it must stay parked until the end of the event.
- Read the Parking Policy outlining details of vehicle usage at Kiwiburn – available online [here](#).

### In-and-Out Policy

Casual traffic in and out of Kiwiburn is strongly discouraged. Participants who leave and return by personal means will be required to pay a fee of **\$20 per vehicle**. In&Out vehicle passes available from The Depot during the day or from Gate when leaving during Gate hours.



### The River

The Rangitikei River winds around the boundary of the site, meaning participants at Kiwiburn have access for swimming and kayaking. The river is fast and rough, and we ask that you take extra care when you go for a dip:

- Bring a buddy
  - Don't drink and swim
  - Take care of each other!
  - Never let your young children swim unsupervised
  - Make sure they are wearing appropriate safety gear!
  - Crossing the river and accessing a neighboring property is trespassing.
- Kiwiburn volunteers are not responsible for water safety. Swim at your own risk as there are no lifeguards.**
- In the interests of ensuring access to the river for future Burns and to help maintain the quality of the water, washing in the river is prohibited.
  - This means **no soaps of any kind** – even biodegradable. For information on washing at Kiwiburn, see Grey Water.

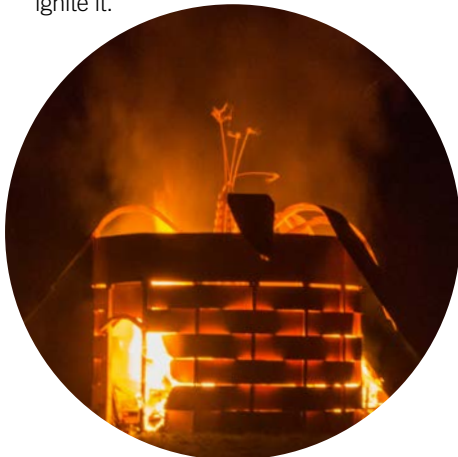
### Exodus

- Be careful not to overload your vehicle so you can safely make it back up the hill when leaving, and not get stuck.
- The flow of vehicles during exodus will be controlled for safety.
- Be patient and plan accordingly.

### Fire Safety

**Burn area safety is essential.** Kiwiburn is held in the middle of summer, so fire risk will be high.

- Gas cookers are permitted.
- Think about the location of your cooking facilities. Keep gas bottles out of direct sunlight and away from heat.
- Keep fire extinguishers or water nearby.
- **There are to be no open fires outside of the organised burns.**
- Burn perimeters are set out in order to *protect participants*. **Breaching the perimeter of burns will result in instant eviction.**
- Fire spinning is allowed in designated areas only.
- All structures must be 15 metres (50 feet) from any fire spinning area.
- You must bag and remove ash from anything burned.
- **AERIAL FLARES, ROCKETS, EXPLOSIVES, CHINESE LANTERNS AND FIREWORKS ARE PROHIBITED AT KIWIBURN** and could result in a fine, eviction, and / or a banning from future Kiwiburn events.
- Straw or hay bales are not allowed, except by previous consent.
- **Respect artwork.** If artwork is to be burned, **ONLY** the artist who created it may ignite it.



### Fuel Safety

All participants using combustible fuels in an art installation or storing fuel in camp must comply with fuel safety guidelines for storing and handling these materials.

#### Guidelines:

- Gas bottles and any other fuel should be stored out of the sun and away from any open flame (ie stoves), with “NO SMOKING” signs displayed prominently.
- Make sure you check your bottles and hoses for leaks before you head to site.
- Your camp should have at least one easily accessible fire extinguisher in working order for use in case of an emergency.”

### Laws

**Kiwiburn does not promote or condone the use of illegal drugs.** The use of such drugs in a physically challenging and hazardous environment can create a serious health risk.

- Underage drinking is forbidden by law.
- Sex acts are prohibited in the civic space of Kiwiburn and in unrestricted public environments.
- Kiwiburn also supports your right to privacy as a resident of our community.

### Firearms

**NO firearms!** The possession of firearms – including BB guns, air rifles, paintball guns, or ammunition – within Kiwiburn is prohibited.

- Neither our event nor the surrounding area is suitable for recreational shooting.

**HOT TIPS** A FEW KEY POINTS FROM THE VOLUNTEER TEAMS HAVING TO DEAL WITH PARTICIPANTS FORGETTING THINGS, MISBEHAVING AND MAKING STUPID DECISIONS

**Get involved! Sign up for a Volunteer shift**

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**Have your tickets printed or have a screen shot image saved on your smart phone**

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**Ensure you have enough water and food to survive**

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**Do not bring prohibited items (eg Pets, explosives, aerial flares, rockets, fireworks, glitter, or firearms of any kind)**

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**Bring ALL required prescriptions with you**

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**Bring a First Aid Kit**

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**Consent is an expected standard**

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**The sun is not your friend in New Zealand**

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**Light no fires**

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**Do not drive on the Paddock once you have set your camp up**

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**Do not wash in the river**

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**Don't keep turning the music up**

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**Dance like noone is watching**

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**Respect the artwork**

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**Respect yourself**

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**Respect others, especially Site Managers and all other hard working volunteers**

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**Be kind**

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**BE PREPARED** KIWIBURN TERMS, CONDITIONS AND POLICIES: [KIWIBURN.COM/PREPARE](http://KIWIBURN.COM/PREPARE)

**SAFETY**  
~~**THIRD**~~ *First*



# RADICAL SELF RELIANCE YOUR SURVIVAL DEPENDS ON YOUR READING AND FOLLOWING THESE LISTS:

## WHAT YOU MUST BRING

- Your ticket and Photo ID.
- Enough water to meet your needs. Radical self-reliance means participants are responsible for their own water supply. There is no drinking water available on site. It is not Kiwiburn's responsibility to provide you with safe drinking water. Allow 4–6 litres of water per person per day for drinking and food preparation. Carry a bottle of water with you at all times. Coconut water / Electrolytes will help keep you from being dehydrated.
- Enough food / beverages for yourself and any dependents.
- Rain-proof clothing and shelter. Extra changes of dry clothes in waterproof storage.
- Warm clothing for evenings – it can get cold in the Central North Island!
- Bedding and shelter of some type – the winds can exceed 75 kph, and the midday temperature can exceed 30°C.
- A good camp tent is recommended along with warm sleeping bags.
- Rubbish bags.
- Recycling bags.
- Torches and spare batteries (headlamps

are useful) to be sure you can see and be seen at night. Glowsticks, LEDs and flashies are good for making yourself visible.

- Bug repellent. There are **lots** of sandflies at the site, and **visitors to New Zealand are particularly sensitive**. If you find bug repellent, well, repulsive, you may find that long sleeves and pant legs, socks, and hats will prevent many bites. This will also protect you from the sun. Aloe Vera, or some New Zealand made skin balms based on bee propolis and tree resin can help treat sandfly bites after you have received them.
- Fire extinguishers. If you plan to burn your art, have a generator or an approved burn barrel.
- Sunscreen/ sunblock lotion and sunglasses. Long sleeves and pant legs and a hat are also very helpful.
- First Aid kit.
- **Any required prescriptions, contact lens supplies (disposables work great, pack out your rubbish), or whatever else you need to maintain your health and comfort in a remote area with no services.**



CAKE ALSO ACCEPTED AT GATE ALTHOUGH IT DOESN'T REPLACE A TICKET...

## WE STRONGLY SUGGEST YOU BRING

- Shade structures, umbrellas, parasols, sheets; something to break the cruel mid-day sun. For those coming from other countries, New Zealand's sun is stronger than anywhere else in the world. The sun here can burn you in less than 20 minutes, even with sunscreen on.
- A non-breakable mug to carry around with you.
- A wide brim hat (a chinstrap is useful).
- A raincoat and or umbrella.
- A cooking stove if you expect to heat food or liquid.
- Earplugs! (Not everyone is going to want to sleep when you do).
- Lots of lighting for exploring the Paddock at night.
- Spare batteries for torches, lighting, etc
- Solar lights for camp, practical and decorative.
- Watertight protective bags for clothing, cameras or electronic gear.
- Lotion/lip balm to treat cracked skin.
- Smokers: portable ashtrays (e.g. mint tin that doesn't leak ashes, or film canister).
- Costumes, musical instruments, props, banners, signs, and anything else you can think of that might make the experience more fun for you and your neighbours.
- Camp marker (flag, flasher, distinctive marking).
- 300mm (12") tent stakes (High winds are possible; rebar is cheap and effective).
- Plastic bottles or tennis balls to top and protect dangerous rebar stakes.
- Extra set of car keys (keys are easily lost!).

## HELPFUL THINGS TO BRING:

- Sewing kit
- Rope and/or string
- Ribbons, Mylar, etc., to flag tent ropes/guy lines
- Handy wipes
- Duct tape
- Gifts to give to new friends.



## THINGS NOT TO BRING

- Feathers of any kind e.g., boas (They shed, no matter what you do – try marabou instead).
- Pets of any kind.
- Glass containers of any kind if at all avoidable.
- Excess packaging from foods (For example, remove outer box from cereals and just bring the inner bag).
- Glitter of any kind, including Bio-glitter and especially loose glitter.
- Single-use glowsticks.
- Nuts in their shells.
- Anything that will break up and/or blow away in the wind.
- Styrofoam Chillybins (they don't hold up and will break into a million bits).
- Explosives, fireworks, aerial flares, rockets, firearms of any kind – including BB guns, air rifles, or paintball guns.
- Chinese lanterns and balloons are prohibited items – they are MOOP and a fire hazard.

## Emergency Medical Services

If you or someone you know (or encounter) requires medical assistance, visit our trained Medics.

- When you arrive at the event, check the map for the Medics' location and familiarise yourself with how to get there.
- Trained emergency medical personnel are on duty 24-hours a day, and emergency evacuation is available.
- You can also report non-medical emergencies or dangerous situations to the Medics, as they can contact Security or the Site Manager at any time of the day or night.

## First Aid

Here is a list of some of the basic things everyone should have on hand in their First Aid kit. Should an injury be serious or require more advanced care, the First Aid crew are there to help. Otherwise, the list below should see you through most minor injuries. Packaged in an airtight container (Ziplock, Rubbermaid, etc):

- Ace wraps
- Aloe Vera gel
- Antacid
- Antibiotic ointment
- Anti-diarrhoea medication / Charcoal tablets
- Anti-histamine medication
- Aspirin or Ibuprofen
- Band-aids of assorted sizes
- Eye wash solution
- Gauze bandages
- Gauze pads (4x4s)
- Personal prescriptions
- Scissors
- Sunscreen
- Tampons or pads

## Incidents and Emergencies

If you see a medical emergency, a fight or any other dangerous situation, alert the Site Manager, the nearest Rangers or anyone else with a radio. There is a Site Manager on shift 24/7. In the event of a natural disaster, please follow directions of volunteers to the evacuation point marked on event maps.

## Personal Safety

While Kiwiburn is built on community and cooperation, that doesn't mean citizens are protected from the actions of those with bad intentions.

- Maintain awareness of your personal safety at the event.
- Secure your valuables when away from camp.
- Introduce yourself to neighbours and your local volunteers.
- Work together to keep your neighbourhood secure.
- Let someone know where you're going if you wander off alone or with a new friend, and check in frequently.
- Make new friends, but be alert to the actions of those you meet.
- Be cautious about accepting drinks in open containers from strangers.
- Most importantly, use and trust your best instincts.

Kiwiburn can be an erotically charged environment. We promote safe, respectful and inclusive communities which means sex-positive free expression can thrive! This means knowing and expressing your own sexual boundaries, and asking about and respecting the boundaries of others.

Consent is ongoing, voluntary, enthusiastic and clear agreement to engage in a sexual act. Consent must be given every time and can be withdrawn at any time.

- Silence or a lack of response is not consent
- Coercion is not consent
- Someone who is asleep, intoxicated or incapacitated is not able to give consent
- Communication is the best lubricant!
- Look out for each other, if you see something happening that does not look ok, check in and ask, or find a Ranger or Consent Guardian to intervene.



## General Health and Safety Tips

A FEW TIPS FOR STAYING HEALTHY WHILE YOU ATTEND KIWIBURN:

### Hand sanitiser:

Use the hand sanitiser after using the portable toilets.

### Food and water:

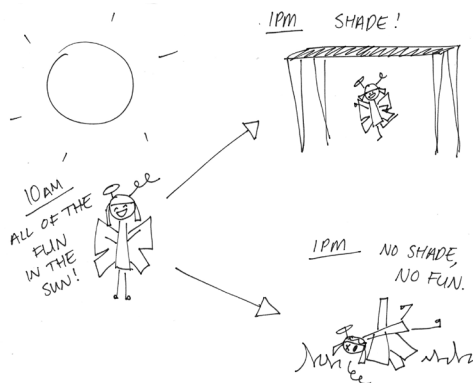
- Drink only bottled water or water that you know the origin of.
- Do not share water bottles and canteens with other people.
- Keep the 'refrigerated' food in your camp colder than 10 degrees at all times.
- Restock the ice frequently (you can buy ice at the Depot). If it becomes warm, bacteria will grow and you could get sick from eating it.
- Keep the food surfaces in your camp as clean as you can.
- Wash your dishes in soapy water. Dirty dishes can breed bacteria and make you ill.
- You could also rinse them in a water mixture of 2 teaspoons of bleach added for every four litres of water.

If you exhibit symptoms such as nausea, vomiting, high fever, jaundice and malaise, you may be carrying a viral pathogen that is highly contagious to others. Seek medical attention immediately and do not prepare or handle food.



## Sun

**The sun is not your friend in New Zealand. It is a brutal source of radiation that can make you very sick and ruin your experience. Use hats, shades, sunscreens and shelters to minimise your dose! We cannot emphasise this enough. People coming to New Zealand from overseas are always shocked at how brutal our sun is. Please take it seriously.**



## SECURITY AT KIWIBURN UNLIKE OTHER REGIONAL BURNS, THE SITE FOR KIWIBURN IS NOT REMOTE AND ISOLATED.

### Security

In order to ensure our community is safe and our boundaries respected, there will be security officers monitoring access to the event and roaming the Paddock at Kiwiburn.

For participants, this should not pose any problems. However, if you have any concerns with security, you can ask for assistance from the Site Manager or your nearest volunteer with a radio (Black Sheep Rangers, Gate, Greeters or The Depot).

### Wristbands

You are given a wristband when you enter Kiwiburn.

- Please wear this at **all times** during the event, so security can identify participants.
- If you are not wearing a wristband, do not be offended if you are asked to leave the event.



### Law Enforcement at Kiwiburn

#### What law enforcement agencies patrol the event?

It is possible that police will come and patrol during Kiwiburn at some point.

- It is not their mission to police your lifestyle or inhibit self-expression.
- They fulfill the same function as the police in any town.
- It is their duty to respond to any infraction of the law that is brought to their attention.

#### What is illegal? What are the consequences?

Kiwiburn is subject to local and national law.

#### Alcohol

Serving alcohol to minors is a violation of the law.

- It is illegal in New Zealand to give alcoholic beverages to any person under the age of 18 in a public place.

Although Kiwiburn has some characteristics of a private event, please don't forget that with respect to public safety laws, Kiwiburn is considered public space.

- If your Theme Camp has a "bar" open to participants where alcoholic drinks are gifted then it is considered a public space in the eyes of the law.
- It is the responsibility of the person serving alcohol to check minors wearing distinct wristbands and ensure that everyone in the immediate vicinity being supplied with or consuming alcohol is at least 18 years old.

## Drugs

- The use and possession of illegal drugs and possession of such drugs with intent to distribute are violations of the law.
- The possession of marijuana, even in small quantities, is illegal in New Zealand.
- This can result in a criminal charge, and conviction can lead to fines and periodic detention.
- Possession of any other illegal drug is a crime and associated sentences increase with the class of the drug.
- See here for more details on drug classification and sentences in New Zealand: <http://www.police.govt.nz/advice/drugs-and-alcohol/illicit-drugs-offences-and-penalties>

The possession of any illegal drug with intent to distribute is a more serious offence.

- The possession of large quantities or a variety of drugs may be interpreted as evidence of intent to distribute.
- Furthermore, the act of distribution is not confined to the sale of such substances. It can mean any form of distribution including gifts. Giving a gift of an illegal substance, even a very small amount, is viewed as a form of distribution.
- The offence of distribution involves incarceration.
- Possession of drug paraphernalia is a violation of the law. Just saying.

**Drunk or Drug Driving** – Driving under the influence is a crime in New Zealand.

- Compulsory breath testing is part of the law here, as is drug impairment testing.
- If you're found to be over the limit you will lose your license immediately and be subject to conviction and a fine.
- Any act of assault or theft is a violation of the law.
- You may be charged in court and face prison time.

## Public and Private – your right to privacy

Kiwiburn is a state of mind, an extremely interactive environment. Many distinctions between what is private and what is public tend to soften and disappear. However, Kiwiburn is also subject to local and national laws. If you violate these laws you may be subject to arrest.

- If a law enforcement representative requests to enter your home – your tent or your campervan – you do not have to admit them unless they have a warrant signed by a judge.
- However, with probable cause and in some emergency situations (for example, when a person is screaming for help inside, when the police are chasing someone, or when an officer witnesses illegal activity occurring within your home) they are allowed to enter and search your domicile without a warrant.
- Both sight and scent of illegal activity may be held by a court to represent probable cause.
- Under the Misuse of Drugs Act, police can search you, your property or your vehicle without a warrant, as long as they have reason to believe there is illegal drug activity taking place.
- If police wish to question you, you only have to supply them with your name and address.
- You are not required to answer any of their questions unless you have been arrested and charged. Even then you are entitled to have a lawyer present when making a statement.
- However, if you are approached by police, please remember that they are there for a reason and do a very good job.
- New Zealand police are generally pretty good people, and being polite and helpful will stand you in good stead for any further dealings you may have with them.

**VOLUNTEERS AT KIWIBURN** Kiwiburn is 100% volunteer run! That means the temporary community that is Kiwiburn does not exist without the hard work and kick ass dedication of volunteers offering their time, resources, knowledge, and skills – both year-round and on site. When something needs doing, it gets done, by you, by me, by the community. This is what we call a do-ocracy and this is how everything gets done.



## KIWIBURN IS 100% VOLUNTEER RUN!

If you are interested in volunteering, please [go to our website](#) and register your interest. The more the merrier! Following are descriptions of the on site volunteer teams

### Gate

The Gate Crew are the first people you'll meet at Kiwiburn, and they are there to get you out of the default world and into Kiwiburn as quickly as they can. Save the hugs for Greeters; just show your lovely Gate volunteer your ticket and your personal photo ID, let them check your vehicle to ensure you are prepared for the event and not harbouring any stowaways, get your wristband and get inside! **The name on your ticket must match your photo ID.** If you want to know more about Gate, or become Gate yourself, fill out [this form](#).

### Greeters

Greeters welcome new arrivals home to the Paddock and help them adjust from the everyday default world to the extraordinary world of Kiwiburn. They will give you lots of useful info on how to survive and thrive on the Paddock, and they will also give you a cuddle if you want. Got a question? Ask the Greeters! Want to be a Greeter? Fill out [this form](#).



### Ministry of Public Works

The Kiwiburn Ministry of Public Works (MPW) is the group that plans, surveys, builds, then takes down the essential infrastructure of our temporary community. MPW work hand-in-hand with other departments to ensure the site for Kiwiburn is prepared and ready to receive the participants on arrival, as well as ensuring the maintenance of Kiwiburn facilities throughout the burn.



This includes marking and maintaining access roads, clearing camping areas, building Gate, the Depot, Medics, Rangers, Greeters and three Site Office buildings, installing all the lighting on gates, restocking portable toilets, and placing signage all over the site!

If you have questions about the MPW's work or volunteer needs, please fill out [this form](#).

### Black Sheep Rangers

Modelled on the Black Rock City Rangers, Kiwiburn's Black Sheep Rangers are volunteers who help ensure the safety of the site and participants, and can be identified by their hi-viz vests and friendly demeanour.



Black Sheep Rangers are not law enforcement. They work within our community to help participants navigate the Paddock and promote awareness of how to have the best Kiwiburn experience possible! If you want to volunteer as a Black Sheep Rangers, fill out [this form](#).

## Site Manager

See someone walking around with a lanyard saying “SITE MANAGER”? They’re a Burner just like you who has volunteered for a very important job. They are there to oversee the event and make sure everything is running smoothly. If you see them around, say hello, invite them in for a cuppa or a feed. Appreciate them!

## The Depot

The Depot is our community information centre. Buy a bag of ice; check for lost valuables (car keys, cell phones and wallets); check the Paddock map; find out the latest of what’s going on; bring us your gossip; sign up for a volunteer shift. Any questions? We might know the answer, or potentially make one up. Open 10am–5pm every day.

## Support Services

Kiwiburn has a dedicated group of volunteers on site to help those in need, including Deep Space and Consent Club, who are there to help with the smooth running of things and deal with emergencies and issues as they arise.

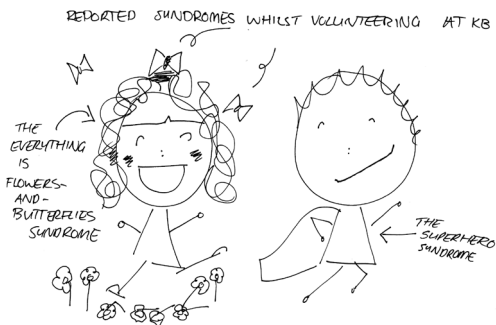


## Year round volunteering

How does so much chaos get facilitated and organised? How does a festival run entirely by volunteers even function? How does it all happen? If you are keen to be more involved, there are plenty of roles requiring year round participation. Have a look at [How Kiwiburn Works](#) and learn more about the organisation and what is involved.

## How to volunteer

- Read more about volunteering on our website [here](#).
- Keep an eye of volunteer opportunities posted [here](#) on our website.



# PILGRIMS COMING TO KIWIBURN FROM OVERSEAS? HERE ARE A FEW TIPS FOR THOSE NEW TO NEW ZEALAND.

**Aotearoa is the Māori name for New Zealand.**

## Sun

We cannot stress this enough. New Zealand sun is **very strong**. That ozone hole you hear about? It's *right over* New Zealand. Because of this we have the highest rate of skin cancer in the world, and we don't want to see you burnt to a crisp or get sunstroke! Bring sunscreen. Use it.

## About the highways leading to the event

New Zealand's land transport laws are enforced by the police.

- Patrol cars will likely be present on the highways leading to our event.
- Speed limits are strictly enforced in all areas and both fixed and handheld speed cameras are in operation.
- The open road is also heavily patrolled.
- It can be very dangerous to pull over – a large portion of NZ highway is bordered by soft shoulders. However, should your car break down it is wise to pull over as far as possible to avoid slowing traffic or creating a hazard.
- You should drive carefully and observe all speed limits.

## If the police stop your car, remember the following:

1. Upon request, show police officers your driver's license. In certain cases, your car can be searched without a warrant if the police have probable cause (e.g., if there is contraband visible to the officer). If the officer has probable cause, he or she will inform you that they are going to do a search. You should not resist. If, however, the officer asks you if you consent to a search, then you have the right to refuse consent. It is not lawful for police to arrest you simply for refusing to consent to a search.

2. If you're given a ticket, we recommend you accept it; otherwise you can be arrested.

**You can fight the case in court later.**

3. If you're suspected of alcohol or drug impaired driving, Driving Under the Influence (DUI), and refuse to take an EBA (Excess Breath or Blood Alcohol) test, you can be taken into custody. It is illegal to refuse a breath or blood test in New Zealand.

## Emergency numbers

- **111 is the emergency number for Police, Fire and Ambulance.**
- **105** for less urgent situations is the number for Police non-emergencies.

Always call **111** in an emergency such as:

- When a crime is happening now – and the offenders are still there or just left
- Someone's in danger or badly injured
- There's a serious risk to human life or property
- You see a major public hazard, like trees blocking a road.

You can use **105** to report:

- Theft in a public place
- Theft from a car
- Intentional property damage
- Shoplifting
- Lost property
- Or to get an update on a report already made or add information to an existing report.

You can also report anything in person at your local Police station.

## Resources

[About New Zealand](#)

[Burning around New Zealand](#)

## HOW DO I GET TO KIWIBURN? TRAVEL SAFE AND REMEMBER TO STOP AND TAKE BREAKS EN ROUTE.

Read on for directions to the site from the North and South, and shop local in the Rangitikei district before you get to the site. It's one way of thanking the community for having us – and it also saves you lots of leg-room on the journey there!

### From Tāmaki Makaurau / Auckland

Head South on State Highway 1 for approximately 440km until you hit Mangaweka. Stay on SH1 for another 22km, then turn left onto State Highway 54 (signs to Feilding). In 100 metres, take the first right onto Cooks Rd, and follow the signs to the site.

For those coming from the North, your last large town for stocking up with supplies is Taupo – or you can continue on the SH1 for approximately 7kms past the turn-off and shop at Hunterville. Hunterville has two gas stations, several motels, cafes, and restaurants – there is even a juice, smoothie and ice cream place! The 4 Square is huge and has a large range of things at very reasonable prices (including beer and wine).

### From Te Upoko o te ika a Māui / Wellington

Head North on State Highway 1 all the way to Hunterville (about 190km). Keep following SH1 past Hunterville for approx 7km, then turn right on State Highway 54 (signs to Feilding). In 100 metres, take the first right onto Cooks Rd, and follow the signs to the site.

### From Te Papaioea / Palmerston North

Head North-West on SH3 for approximately 5km, then turn right onto SH54. Follow for approximately 56km and turn left onto Cooks Rd just before you hit SH1. Follow the signs along Cooks Rd to the site.

For those coming from the South, your last large town for stocking up with supplies is Marton, just off SH1 between Bulls and Hunterville. Marton is the hub of the Rangitikei with two supermarkets, two bottle shops, numerous specialty stores, plus building supplies stores and mechanics galore! Alternately, you may wish to take SH1 for approximately 86km then turn onto SH57 and go via Palmerston North.

### Physical address of the Paddock

137 Cooks Road, Hunterville.

### Gate Times

Wednesday	8am–2am
Thursday	9am–midnight
Friday	9am–midnight
Saturday	9am–6pm
Sunday	Closed
Monday	10am: Exodus

Security will be positioned on the entry road. If you arrive outside of these hours, you will be directed to Vinegar Hill campground.

