

This précis is only a guide, full details are displayed on the bye-law signs on the Plain

Précis of Salisbury Plain Military Lands Bye-Laws 1981

Control of Traffic: cyclists, riders & drivers are to:
2. (2). (a). Comply with all signs.
2. (2). (b). Drive with due care, attention and consideration for others.
2. (3). Use lights as if on a highway.
2. (4). (d). Be “road legal” (i.e. taxed, MOT, insured etc).
3. Prohibited Activities. Unless on military duty or with specific permission to do something (e.g. licensed shoots, licensed burger vans and tenant farmers):
1. a. Enter an area which is enclosed (Note 1), or has signs banning or restricting entry, or is under cultivation.
1. b. Enter any plantation of trees.
1. c. Ride/drive on anything but a road suitably constructed and made up for vehicular traffic (Notes 2 and 3).
1. d. Carry out a trade or business.
1. e. Gather for public meetings.
1. f. Camp, caravan, bivouac or sleep out.
1. g. Dump rubbish of any kind or abandon cars.
1. h. Damage, cut or remove plants, trees, wildflowers etc.
1. i. Remove sand.
1. j. Pasture any animal.
1. k. Pursue, kill, shoot, catch, snare or trap game, fish or other animals. Take eggs or destroy nests.
1. l. Damage, spoil, deface or remove anything.
1. m. Dig or search for anything.
1. n. Be in possession of a metal detector.
1. o. Post or affix bills or notices.
1. p. Possess cross bow, fire arm, air gun, ammunition or explosives.
1. q. Fly model aircraft.
1. r. Hang glide, parascend or fly a kite.
2. a. Loiter, commit any nuisance or behave in an indecent or unseemly manner.
2. b. Cause nuisance, annoyance or injury to another.
2. c. Do anything liable to cause a fire.
2. d. Fail to keep a dog or any animal under control.

Notes.

1. **Enclosed.** Means “fenced, hedged or walled” and includes buildings.
2. **Byelaw 10.** Nothing in these byelaws shall affect the lawful use of a public right of way or layby or parking place provided for users of the right of way.
3. **Driving Off Road.** Under the Highways Act a driver may only leave a road (a PROW) by 15 yards and then only to park. This is also applied to permissive stone tracks, concrete and tarmac roads on SPTA. Dirt tracks are not “made up” and their use is therefore an offence unless on an appropriate PROW e.g. Byway for vehicles.
4. This précis refers only to items which apply to Schedule 3 (Training) Land.
5. Imber Ranges, Larkhill Artillery Range and Bulford Ranges have additional bye-laws which restrict unauthorised access. Details can be found on their range boundaries.