

Countryside Code

It's easy:



Ask for
landowners
permission.



Respect wildlife
and nature.



Be aware of the
fire risk and your
surroundings.



Don't litter—
take only photos
and leave only
footprints.

Still have questions?

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Our Islands for all to enjoy



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The Countryside Code is here to **protect** our environment so it is there for all to **enjoy**. We ask that those visiting and living on the islands follow it when they are out and about.



In general:

- ✓ Always **ask for permission** before entering private land. Follow any advice and guidelines you are given by the landowner.
- ✓ **Keep to paths** wherever possible. Leave gates, open or shut, as you find them.
- ✓ Be aware of the **high fire risk** throughout the islands particularly when lighting fires, BBQs or smoking.
- ✓ **Do not litter**. Take your rubbish home with you or use a bin provided.

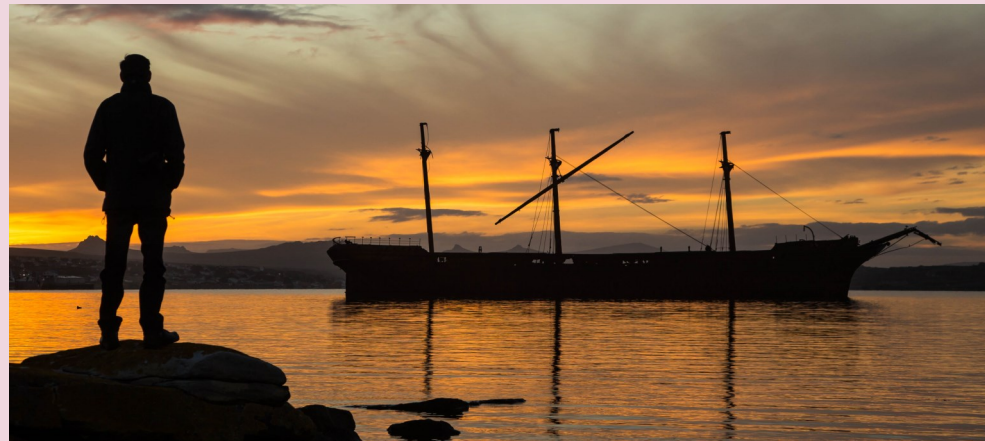
Around Wildlife:

- ✓ **Never feed, touch, handle, injure or kill** any wild bird or animal.
- ✓ Always **give animals the right of way**. Do not block the routes of birds or animals coming home to their colonies. **Do not startle or chase** wildlife from resting or breeding areas.
- ✓ **Prevent disturbance** to wild birds and animals. Always stay on the outside of colonies and remain at least **6 m (20 ft)** away.
- ✓ When taking photographs or filming stay low to the ground. Move slowly and quietly. Make sure your flash is turned off. Always be aware of the location of your camera and equipment. **Do not use selfie-sticks to get closer to wildlife.**



In Nature:

- ✓ **Some plants are protected** and should not be picked. Wildflowers are there for all to enjoy.
- ✓ Whalebones, skulls, eggs, etc. **may not be exported** from the Falkland Islands. These should be **left where they are found**.
- ✓ **Do not disfigure** rocks or buildings.



Failure to follow this guidance may constitute an offence in the Falkland Islands and could result in significant fines.