

San Clemente Island Safety Zone Procedures

Effective June 21, 2010, a 3nm Safety Zone will exist around San Clemente Island. Extending from the high tide line out to 3nm, the Safety Zone is divided into eight sections (Figure 1).

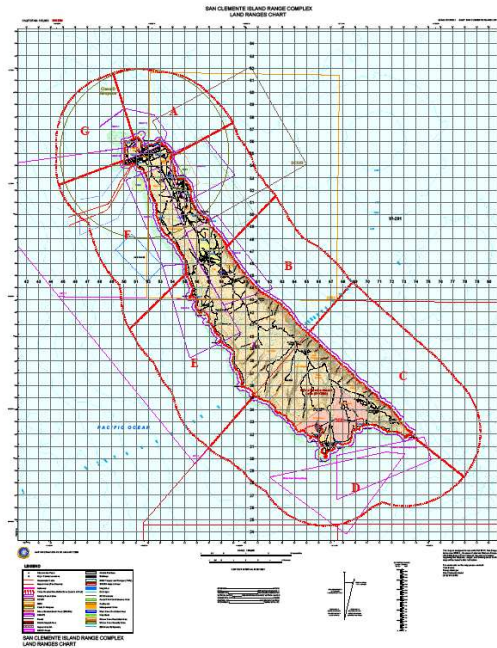


Figure 1. San Clemente Island Safety Zones

Unless scheduled for hazardous military training and testing activities, six sections (A, B, C, D, E, F) are available to the public for recreational and commercial activities (e.g. fishing, diving, sailing). Check the Schedules tab for the daily status of these six safety zone sections. An area highlighted in green is not scheduled for hazardous military operations, so the public may access these offshore waters. If an area is highlighted in red, hazardous military operations are scheduled, so do not enter these areas during the scheduled period and until the area goes green on the Schedules tab. To view the name of the scheduled range and time period the range will be closed to the public, either:

Review the SCI Hazardous Operations Area Schedule Table above the SCI graphic

- OR -

Click once on the black outlined range overlapping the Safety Zone

Wilson Cove Safety Zone

Wilson Cove Safety Zone is permanently closed to the public for all activities. However, vessels may transit parallel along the shoreline inside the Safety Zone between 2nm to 3nm

offshore, and appears as a dark blue area on the Safety Zone graphic. This is a transit only area; fishing (including lobster pots) and diving are prohibited. The public may not enter the Wilson Cove Security Zone (high tide line to 2nm offshore) at any time.

SWAT 1 (Section G)

SWAT 1 Safety Zone is permanently closed to the public for all activities. However, vessels may contact KRAKEN to request authorization to transit (only) through the SWAT 1 Safety Zone. **You must have authorization from KRAKEN to transit through SWAT 1 Safety Zone.** Procedures for requesting transit:

- Hail KRAKEN on Channel 16
- KRAKEN will request that you transfer to 82A
- Once communication has been established on 82A, you will be asked to provide the following information:
 - Name and registration number (CF) of your vessel
 - Name of CAPT and homeport
 - State that you are a non-military vessel
 - Current location (latitude/longitude)
 - Date and time
 - Projected transit time through SWAT 1 Safety Zone
- If SWAT 1 is “cold” (no live fire activities), KRAKEN will authorize you to transit *only* through SWAT 1 Safety Zone. If the range is “hot” (scheduled live fire activity), KRAKEN will not authorize transit through the SWAT 1 Safety Zone.
- You must travel expeditiously through SWAT 1 Safety Zone – no stopping, anchoring or fishing is allowed. **You must notify KRAKEN immediately on CH 82A once you have transited through the Safety Zone.**

SWAT 1 IS THE ONLY SAFETY ZONE WHERE THIS PROCEDURE APPLIES. If the website depicts Safety Zone sections A-F as “hot”, you may not transit these areas until the website indicates that the offshore areas are accessible. KRAKEN is not authorized to:

- allow vessels into Section A, B, C, D, F if an area is scheduled for hazardous operations (ie. Safety Zone is red on www.scisland.org)
- provide current or future status of Safety Zones in Sections A, B, C, D, F

Penalties for Safety Zone Violations

Civil penalties

- Up to \$40,000 civil penalty

Federal penalties

- For willful violations: Class D felony
- For willful violation where you carry a dangerous weapon and assault or threaten to assault an officer: Class C felony
- *In rem* liability against the vessel

Inflation-adjusted civil penalties are authorized by the Federal Civil Penalties Inflation Adjustment Act of 1990, as amended, and are listed in 33 C.F.R. §27.3. Civil penalties at 33 C.F.R. §27.3 were revised at 74 Federal Register 245 (December 23, 2009). Penalties for Class C and D felonies are listed at 18 U.S.C. §3851.