

Regulations on the Conservation of Moffen Nature Reserve in Svalbard

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The protected area includes the island itself and a sea zone out to 300 m from land or reefs at the lowest water level.

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The purpose of the reserve is to protect one of the most important resting places for walrus in Svalbard and associated plant communities, birds and mammals.

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For the reserve, the following provisions apply:

1.

All technical interventions, including the construction of buildings and facilities of any kind, mining, drilling after oil, the operation of oil sources and mass roofs, as well as other activities that cause terrain intervention or disruption of the natural environment, are prohibited.

2.

The seabed is protected from capture or harvest when diving or using bottom trawl or scraper.

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Disposal of waste is prohibited. Substances and objects that may harm plant or wildlife or act unattractive must not be emptied or left behind.

4.

Mammals and birds and their homes and nests are protected from any form of damage, destruction and unnecessary disturbance.

Hunting and trapping are prohibited. New animal species must not be introduced.

5.

Plants, fossils and skeletal parts (incl. teeth) must not be removed and are protected from any form of damage and destruction. New plant species must not be introduced.

6.

All traffic, including sea and flight at an altitude below 500 m, is not allowed in the time of 15 May to 15 September.

Please visit this Governor of Svalbard website for maps:
<https://www.sysselmannen.no/en/maps-and-gps/thematic-maps/nature-conservations-areas/nature-reserves/>

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