# wimming

### **SAFELY** AT THE BEACH

- Always swim in a lifeguarded area.
- Never swim alone, regardless of your age or level of swimming skills.
- Keep within your fitness and swimming capabilities.
- Be aware of weather and water conditions and heed warnings.
- Be aware of your surroundings including the sandbanks and deep water pockets.



- Don't fight the current
- Swim out of the current, then to shore
- If you can't escape, float or tread water
- If you need help, call or wave your hand for assistance



www.redcross.org/get-help/how-to-prepare-for-emergencies/ types-of-emergencies/water-safety/water-safety-for-kids.html

### **Beach Environment**

- Jellyfish can sting, leave them alone.
- Know the tides change of tide can generate currents.
- Keep away from groynes.
- Beware of hard to see deep water pockets.
- Please collect your rubbish and dispose in rubbish bins.
- Help the frail and elderly.
- Respect other beach users.



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### **WATER SAFETY**

## **Beach Flags**

The beach flags are displayed by the Beach Lifeguards in patrolled areas to provide guidance on the sea state and environmental conditions



#### SWIM BETWEEN THE FLAGS LIFEGUARDS ON DUTY

Between the flags is the safest place to swim



#### **RED** DANGEROUS AREA

No swimming. You can cool down in water up to knee height but keep body upright



#### **PURPLE** DANGEROUS MARINE LIFE IN THE AREA

This could be algae, jellyfish or even a shark sighting



#### YELLOW **SWIMMING ALLOWED**



#### **YELLOW WITH BLACK SPOT** STRONG WINDS

Non-powered watercraft are dangerous and forbidden



ORANGE WINDSOCK **SHOWS THE DIRECTION & STRENGTH** OF THE WIND

Beware of winds blowing out to sea

**#ENJOYWATERSAFELY** 

## arents...

have YOU discussed water safety with your children?

- Never leave your child unsupervised near water.
- Don't rely on flotation devices, inflatables or swimming skills.
- Understand RIP currents talk to locals and lifeguards.
- Ask 'Are you OK' can save a life.
- Emergency? Call 999



## Hways

follow the WATER SAFETY CODE









## **WATER SAFETY**

to enjoy the water safely and make the right call...



**ENTER SLOWLY** AND CAREFULLY



STAY WITHIN **REACH** 



**ALWAYS BE SUPERVISED** 

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**WEAR A HAT** 



**APPLY SUN PROTECTION** 



TIRED? **GET SOME REST** 





## What Floats or Sinks?











