

GREAT WESTERN BEACH

(Newquay)

Close to the centre of Newquay, it is a popular beach that is easily accessible but tends to be less crowded than its neighbours [Towan Beach](#) and [Tolcarne Beach](#).



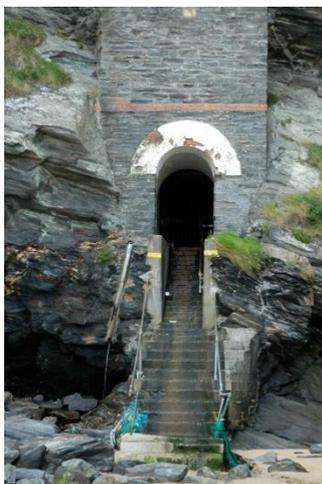
The view of the beach from Tolcarne Point

  **TR7 2NE** - See the overview for [Newquay](#) for access and parking details. It can be easily reached from the main shopping centre along East Street and Cliff Road as far as the Great Western Hotel (some 500m) where there is an access road that goes out to Tolcarne Point and down to the beach. The slipway access makes it suitable for pram, pushchairs, wheelchairs and the disabled.

 At high tide it is a relatively small beach with



Access road to the beach



Hotel lift access



A wide bay at low water



Early morning in summer

often little or no sand, although in summer there is usually a larger area. As the tide goes out a wide bay appears with a wonderful expanse of flat golden sand with Killacourt Cove on the westerly side. At low water it is possible to walk on the sand to [Towan Beach](#) past Killacourt Cove and also [Tolcarne Beach](#).



There is safety/rescue equipment above the beach. RNLI Lifeguards are on duty from the end of May until the end of September. There is also a first aid post.



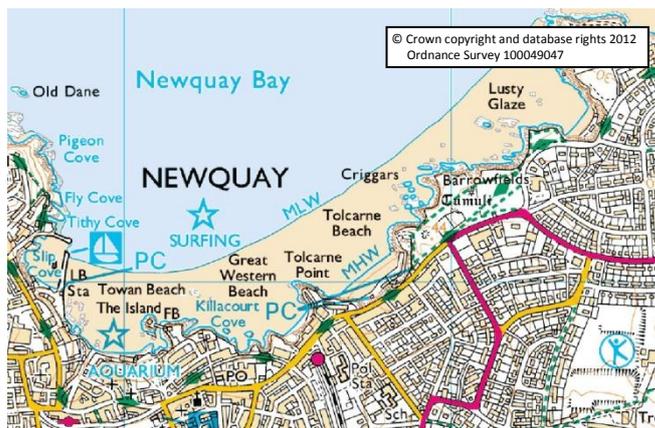
Details are shown in the overview for [Newquay](#).



Dogs are permitted all year.



There are toilets adjacent to the beach including facilities for the disabled. There are fewer facilities than the other Newquay beaches but there is a cafe, beach shop, watersports equipment hire, deck chair hire and showers.



Location – Part of OS Explorer Map 106



Although the slipway has direct access to the beach its use in summer may be restricted by the use of the beach. Water quality is excellent. It is cleaned daily from April to September. There is a quirky feature of a Hotel lift access on to the beach at Killacourt Cove close to the main beach.