

(Left to right) Dog Beach,  
Huntington City Beach



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meters are \$1.50 per hour. Prices may be higher during holidays or special events.

**Phone:** 714.536.5286

**RV Camping:** Sunset Vista Campground, located within the Huntington City Beach parking lot south of the pier, is open from October through May. It has on-site electrical and water hookups. RV parking is \$45 per night. Tent camping is not permitted. For information call 714.969.5621.

## Bolsa Chica State Beach

Located along Pacific Coast Highway between Warner and Seapoint Avenues, the beach is open to foot traffic at Warner Avenue and only accessible by car through a single entry point at the stoplight located one mile south of Warner Avenue across from the Bolsa Chica Ecological Reserve entrance.

**Hours:** Daily from 6 a.m. to 10 p.m.; gate for vehicle entry closes at 9 p.m.

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among the events are the **US Open of Surfing®** and the **AVP Huntington Beach Open**. It's also where the **USA Surf Team** undergoes rigorous training to prepare for its many international competitions.

South of the pier is one of the most eye-catching lifeguard facilities in the world, the Vince G. Moorhouse Lifeguard Headquarters. Gracing the exterior of the building is a stretch of terrazzo surfboards and body boards emblazoned with the national flags of countries that have a connection to surfing. This facility serves as the nerve center for radio communication between the city's 22 lifeguard towers, which include Lifeguard Tower Zero located halfway down the pier. Training rooms for ongoing lifeguard instruction and an infirmary for the injured are also housed here.

Even dogs can spend the day at Huntington City Beach at a special section called "**Dog Beach**," located between Seapoint Avenue and Golden West Street. Here two- and four-legged visitors can romp freely in the surf. It's not unusual to spot a tail wagging atop a surfboard as man and his best friend ride a wave in tandem.

**Bolsa Chica State Beach**, on the northern end of Huntington Beach, is known for its gentle, manageable surf. Its shallow bottom shelf produces smaller waves, which makes it an ideal location to master surfing. Unlike other beaches that blackball surfing during peak hours, most areas allow surfers to enjoy the sport all year long. Managed by the California Department of Parks and Recreation, Bolsa Chica State Beach is also known for its surf fishing.

The southern most section of sand in town is known as **Huntington State Beach**, serving as the training site for all California State lifeguards. Governed by the California Department of Parks and Recreation, it is also home to a nature preserve at its southern end. The sanctuary, separated from the beach by a fence, is where the California Least Tern, a rare and endangered species of bird, makes its nesting grounds.