

The Formentera department of interior reports that in the twelve months since 20 June 2019, the island's police force cited 17 cases of unauthorised camping, an infraction which carries fines of up to €600.

Barring express administrative authorisation, camping is forbidden everywhere on the island, regardless of whether the site in question is public or private. Also banned are provisional and permanent free-standing structures, including mobile homes, camper vans, vans, cars and tents, not to mention other objects like sleeping bags, mattresses or mattress pads which are designed for overnighting. Individuals are additionally prohibited from sleeping on street furniture.

The restrictions were conceived in the spirit of preserving natural spaces and cultural heritage sites. Given the absence of camp sites on the island that are regulated to guarantee compliance with ecological safeguards, the activity represents a serious risk for Formentera's land and natural environment.

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