

TOURING
IN THE TREES

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INTRODUCTION

Touring in the Trees is an exclusive ring of small touring sites placed so that they can be used as bases from which to explore the forests and surrounding countryside.

The forest sites are generally convenient to the main tourist routes but are reserved exclusively for permit holders. Formalities are minimal. Once you have purchased your permit the freedom of all 11 sites is yours to enjoy, but normally you must not stay longer than 3 nights at a time on any one site. Accommodation is designed primarily for caravans although there is normally room for an awning.

For those who prefer to stay in one place there are larger fully equipped sites at five Forest Parks. These are known as 'Long Stay Sites', operate independently from the permit scheme and must be booked in advance through the local Forest Officer.

GENERAL INFORMATION

All sites are controlled and operated by the Forest Service an Agency of the Department of Agriculture and Rural Development.

Number of Sites : 11

Location : Scattered throughout State Forests and vary from sheltered lowland with limited but pleasant views, to semi wild and sometimes remote areas with excellent views.

Facilities: Basic essentials : Sites have in most cases chemical toilet disposal units, waste water disposal units, drinking water and hard standing for caravans. There are no electrical connections on site.

Access to sites: Access is controlled by locked barriers. Keys are provided on a refundable deposit.

Limitation of stay : The maximum length of stay at any one site is normally 3 nights.

Permits : Annual (Calendar Year) are available 9.00am - 4.00pm (Mon - Fri) from:
Forest Service, Room 28
Dundonald House BT4 3SB. Telephone: 028 9052 4459
Fax: 028 9052 4802

Annual Touring Permits are issued on condition that :

1. All caravans must be equipped with chemical toilet.
2. All caravans are parked in the designated pitches.
3. Maximum stay of normally 3 nights on any one site.
4. Permits are clearly displayed.
(Permits are not interchangeable)
5. Barriers are kept locked.
6. Dogs are kept on leash. Owners are responsible for their actions on site.
7. Barrier keys are returned promptly at end of year.
8. No unauthorised caravans are admitted.
9. Ensure that all litter is placed in litter bins provided.
10. Generators are not operated on sites.
11. Caravans must **NOT** be left unattended overnight.

You can help us to help you by obeying the rules.

The Department reserves the right to withdraw permits at any time for contravention of rules or Forest Bye-Laws.

County	Forest	Capacity	Location	Special Features
Antrim	Ballyboley	6	On unclassified road south of A36 at Shane's Hill, Larne 8 mls, Ballymena 16 mls. Map 1	Sheltered site with panoramic views and forest walks.
	Ballypatrick	11	On A2. Cushendall 8 mls. Ballycastle 6 mls. Map 1	Sheltered site just off the main road, picnic areas, toilets, forest drive and walks.
	Glenariff	20	On A43. Ballymena - Waterfoot Road. Signposted. Ballymena 14 mls. Waterfoot 4 mls. Map 1	Forest Park nearby with planned walks, splendid views, waterfalls, and cafe.

County	Forest	Capacity	Location	Special Features
Down	Castlewellan	19	Entrance of Bannans- town Road via the Drumbuck Road from the A25. Note: No entry via Forest Park. Newcastle 4 mls. Map 2	Forest Park with planned walks, Aboretum, gardens, fishing (permit required), cafe and barbecue site.
	Rostrevor	14	On A2. Access sign- posted via main forest entrance. Rostrevor Village 1/2ml. Warrenpoint 2 mls. Map 2	Very sheltered site. Forest Drive, Viewpoints, Picnic areas.

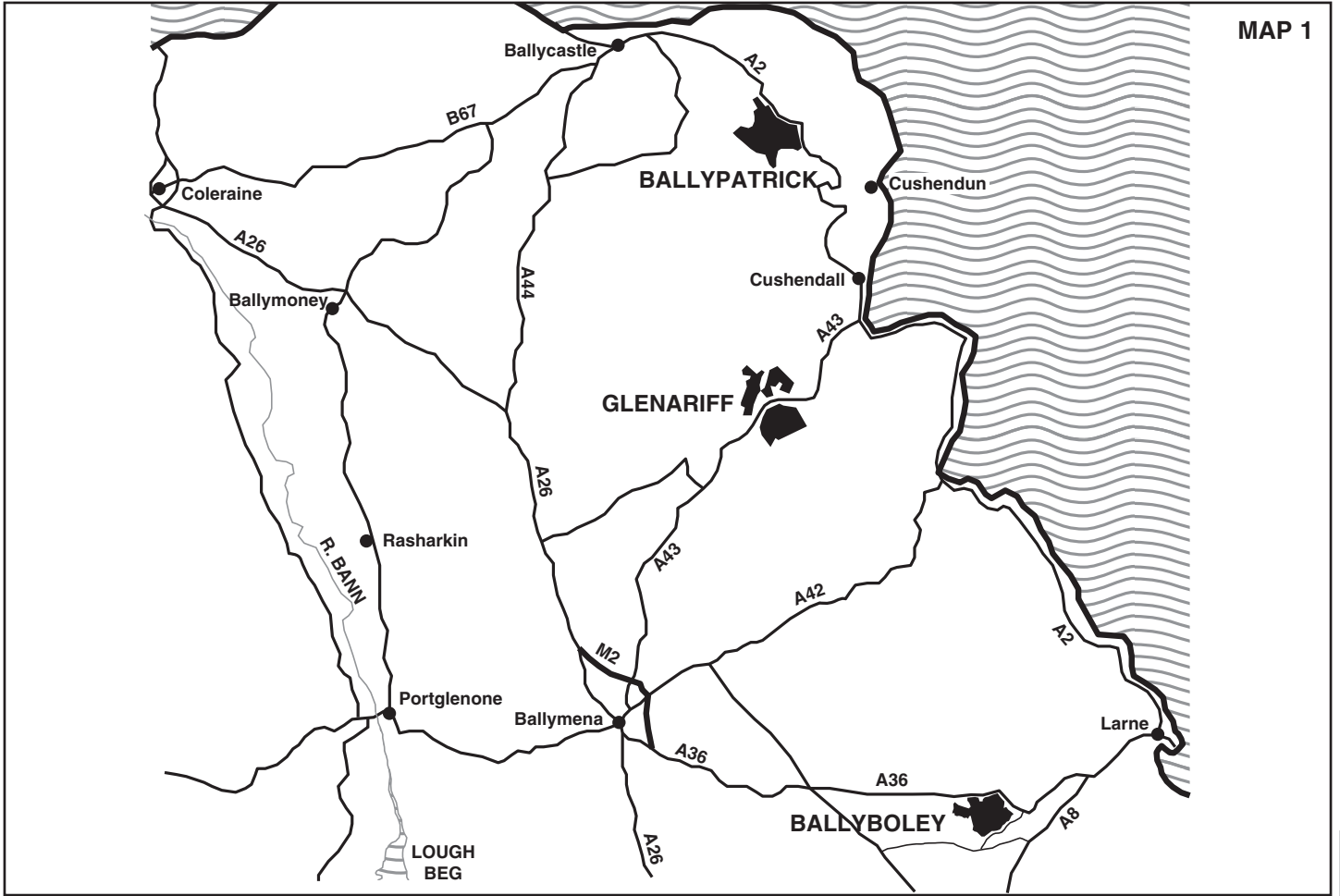
County	Forest	Capacity	Location	Special Features
Fermanagh	Florence Court	10	Off A32. Follow signposts 'Forest Park'. Enniskillen 6 mls, Swanlinbar 10 mls. Map 3	Forest Park, walks and picnic places. Nearby Marble Arch Caves.
	Kesh (Clonelly)	12	On A35. Kesh 3 mls, Pettigoe 2 mls... Map 3	On main touring route to Donegal, near to Lough Erne.

County	Forest	Capacity	Location	Special Features
Londonderry	Springwell	12	On A37(T) Coleraine 7 mls. Limavady 7 mls. Entrance near Forest housing site <div style="text-align: right;">Map 5</div>	Close to Magilligan Strand, Portrush and Portstewart. Fine scenic area, toilets.

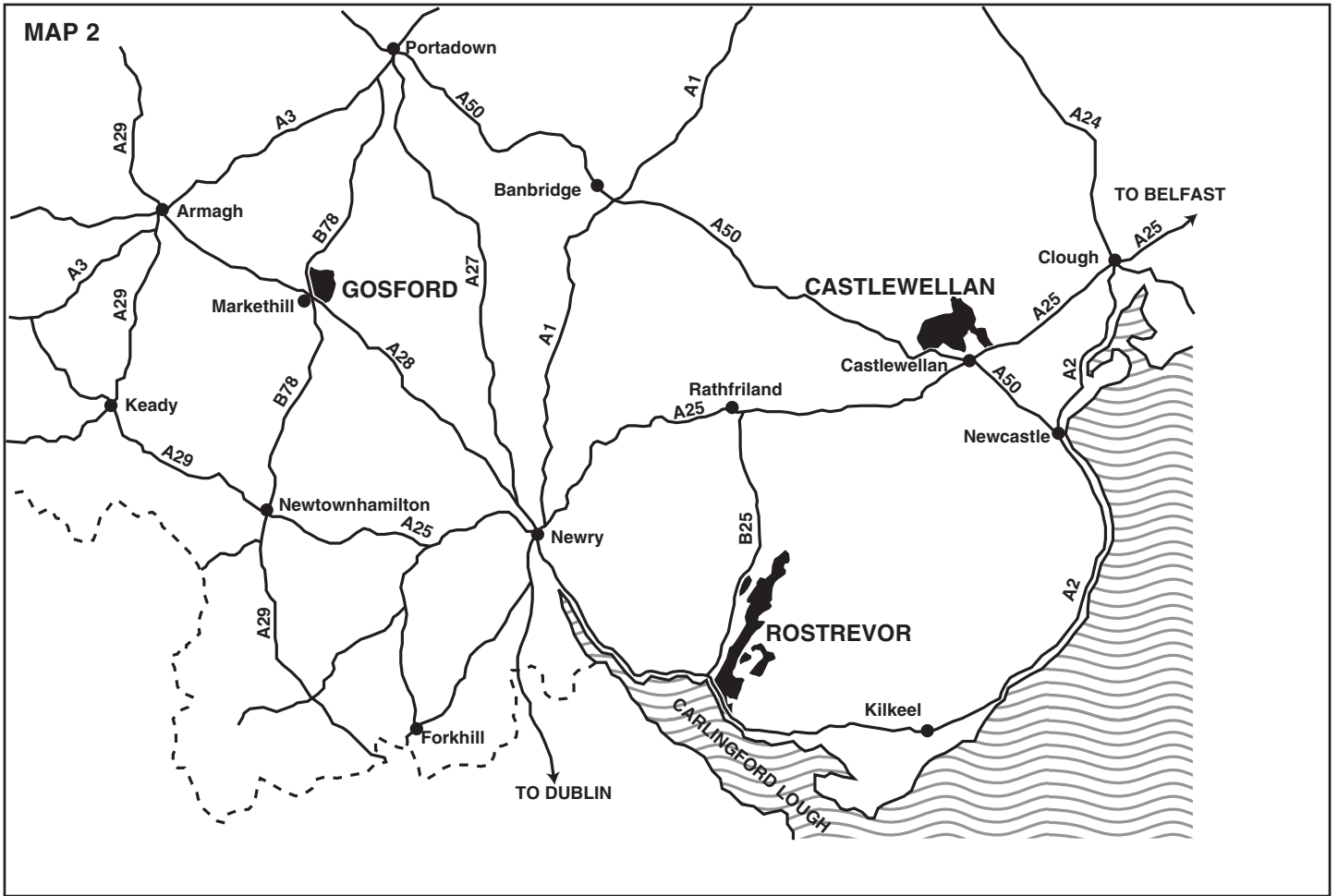
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Armagh	Gosford	10	Adjacent to Markethill on A28, signposted Armagh 7 mls, Newry 12 mls. Map 2	Forest Park with planned walks, nature trails, Poultry collection, deer park, walled garden, cafe.
Tyrone	Parkanaur	10	On A4, Dungannon 4 mls. Map 4	Forest Park with gardens and deer enclosure
	Drum Manor	30	On A505, Cookstown 4 mls Map 4	Forest Park with planned walks, and butterfly garden. Camping site.

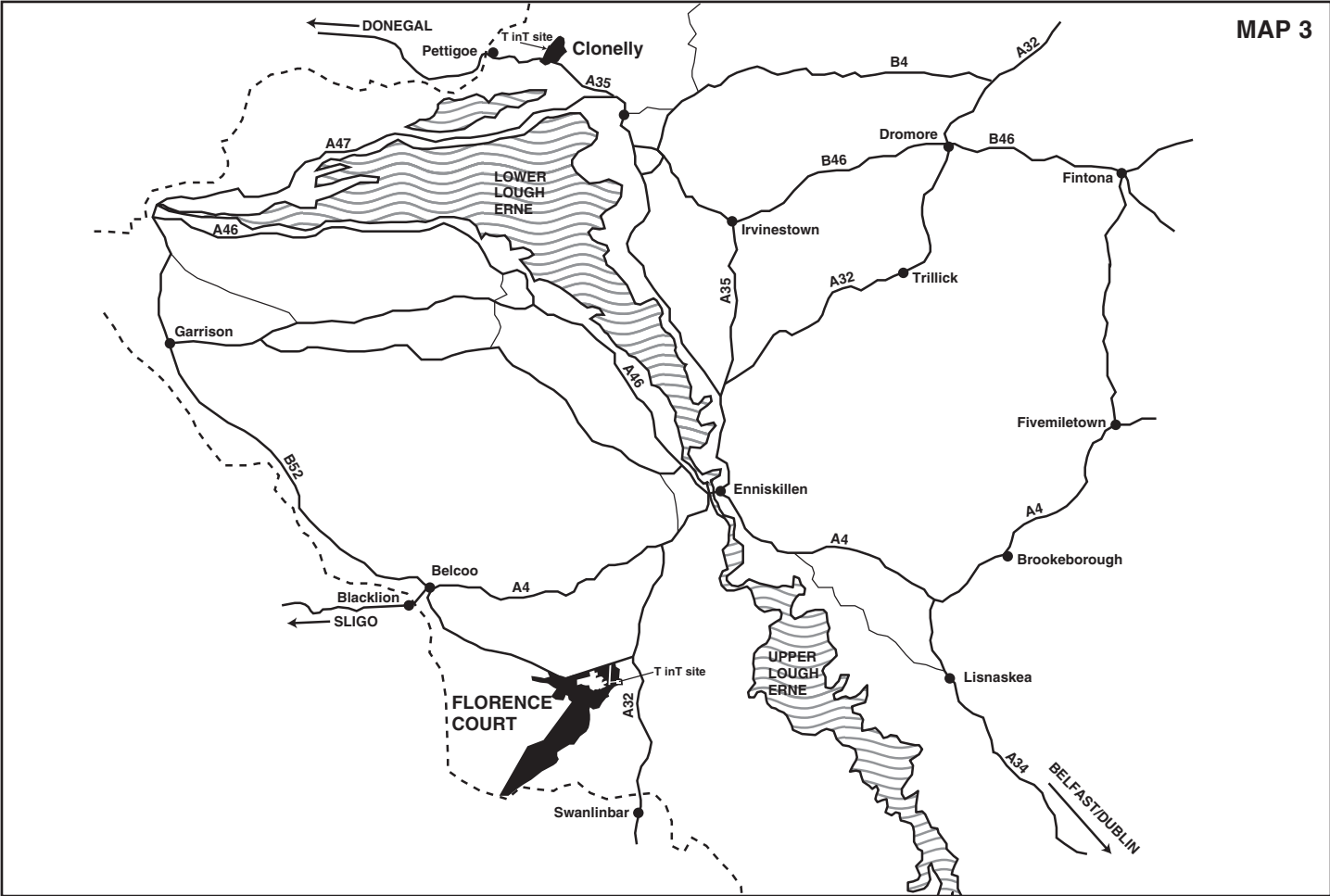
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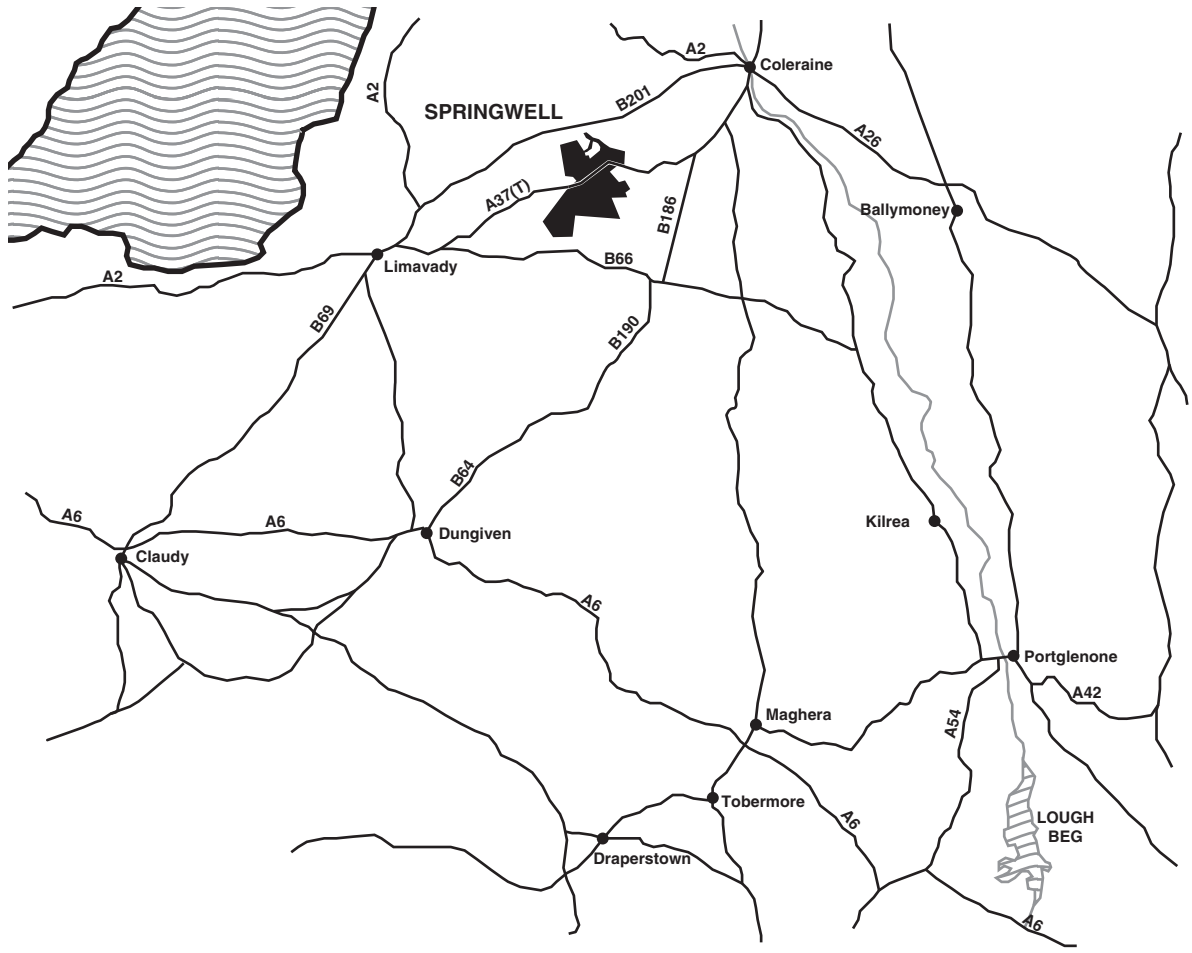
MAP 1



MAP 2







LONG STAY SITES

There are more sophisticated sites for caravan owners and campers, operated independently from the Touring in the Trees circuit. They provide toilets showers etc. and are located at the following Forest Parks:

Glenariff, Gosford, Castlewellan, Tollymore and Drum Manor.

Bookings can be accepted for periods up to and including 14 nights, but applications must be made direct to the Forest Officer at the Forest Park of your choice. Prices vary - check with the Forest Officer. A Forest Ranger will also be on duty and he will be pleased to assist you.

Forest Bye-Laws must always be adhered to.

USEFUL TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Co. Antrim

Ballyboley	Garvagh	028 2955 6000
Ballypatrick	Garvagh	028 2955 6000
Glenariff	Garvagh	028 2955 6000

Co Armagh

Gosford	Markethill	028 3755 1277
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Co Down

Castlewellan	Castlewellan	028 4377 2246
Rostrevor	Castlewellan	028 4377 2246
Tollymore	Newcastle	028 4372 2428

Co Derry

Springwell	Limavady	028 7776 2547
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Co Fermanagh

Florence Court	Enniskillen	028 6634 3040
Clonelly	Enniskillen	028 6863 3040

Co Tyrone

Pomeroy	Pomeroy	028 8775 9311
Drum Manor	Pomeroy	028 8675 9311

DISTRICT FOREST OFFICES

EAST DISTRICT

The Grange
Castlewellan Forest Park

Tel : Castlewellan 028 4377 8664
or 4377 1144

Fax : 028 4377 1762

WEST DISTRICT

Inishkeen House,
Killyhevlin Ind. Estate,
Enniskillen

Tel : Enniskillen 028 6634 3165

Fax : 028 6632 4753

NORTH DISTRICT

6 Forest Road
Garvagh

Tel : Limavady 028 2955 6000

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