

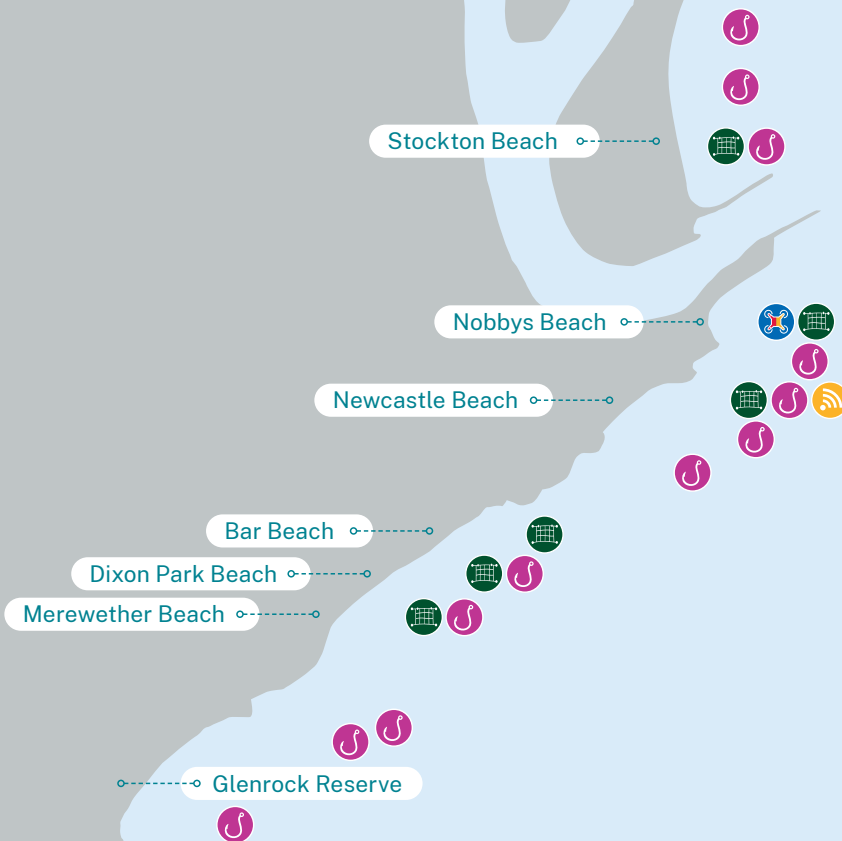
SHARK MITIGATION MEASURES IN Newcastle LGA Worimi and Awabakal Country

Drone surveillance is provided seasonally by Surf Life Saving NSW (SLS NSW) whereby operators are able to spot potentially dangerous sharks. Visit SLS NSW website to check operating times.

Shark nets are deployed from 1 September to 30 April each year. They are checked every 72 hours (weather permitting).

SMART (Shark-Management-Alert-In-Real-Time) **drumlines** are set every morning (weather dependent) and collected before sunset. When a shark is caught, Department of Primary Industries and local SMART drumline contractors receive an alert. Local SMART drumline contractors then respond to tag and release the shark around 1 km offshore.

Tagged sharks can then be detected by **tagged shark listening stations** across the NSW coastline when they swim within 500 m of the unit.



-  Drone
-  Shark Net
-  SMART Drumline
-  Tagged Shark Listening Station