Welcome to Ny-Ålesund

“to the best for Arctic research and monitoring”
Ny-Ålesund:

- International centre for arctic environmental monitoring and research dependant on a near pristine environment
- Research stations from ten countries (Norway, Germany, Japan, Great Britain, The Netherlands, Italy, France, Korea, China and India)
- Ny-Ålesund is owned and run by Kings Bay AS. The Norwegian Government owns the company
- Kings Bay was founded in 1916 and was until 1963 a coal mining company
The arctic environment is vulnerable and research activities are dependant on a near pristine environment

We therefore kindly ask you to:

• Stay on the roads
• Do not disturb wild animals, do not pick flowers
• Keep distance to scientific instruments
• Respect the cultural landmarks
• Turn off your cell phone and the wireless network on your computer
Please stay on the roads

The arctic tundra is extremely vulnerable. It is important only to walk on marked roads in the settlement.
Restricted areas around Ny-Ålesund

The area around the settlement is dedicated to science, and is unavailable to the public.

If you are going to the Amundsen Mast, please stay on the path.
Protect animals and plants

• All nesting birds in the settlement are subject to a protection order.

• The Svalbard reindeer and the Arctic fox sometimes visit the settlement. Remember that they are wild animals, please do not feed them!

• The Arctic tern can attack if you get too close to the nest. Please do not hurt it!
Keep distance to scientific instruments

• Ny-Ålesund is a research station. Many of the scientific instruments are sensitive to human activities.
• Turn off your cell phone and the wireless network on your computer
Respect our cultural landmarks

All buildings and movable historical items on Svalbard from before 1946 are automatically protected.

Ny-Ålesund is of great international importance as cultural monument. In the settlement 29 of the buildings are protected by law.
Be aware of the polar bear danger!

Do not walk outside the settlement without weapon for protection!
Ny-Ålesund can offer you:

Open shop

The Kongsfjord shop is open at cruise ship calls

Credit card is preferred as payment method

All major credit cards are accepted: VISA, MASTERCARD, AMEX, DINERS and more
Ny-Ålesund can offer you:

Ny-Ålesund Museum

Across the road from the shop the museum is located. A new exhibition was opened in 2016, and is well worth a visit. It is also possible to visit the old telegraph station.
Ny-Ålesund can offer you:

Information trail

It is an information trail that goes through the settlement

Here you will find information about nature, cultural landmarks and scientific activities
We wish you a pleasant stay in Ny-Ålesund!

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