



What is a campground?

It is any parcel of land that is designed, maintained, intended or used for the purpose of providing sites for nonpermanent over night use by 4 or more camping units or by one to 3 camping units if parcel the parcel is represented as a campground.

What is a special event campground?

It is a single event such as a fair, rally, or festival involving the gathering of camping units for a maximum of 7 consecutive nights .

What is a sanitary dump station and how do I know if I need to have one?

A sanitary dump station is a facility connected to approved sewage and designed for receiving liquid and water carried waste from camping units holding tanks. It should consist of at least a trapped 4" sewer riser pipe connected to the sanitary sewer system, surrounded at the inlet end by a concrete apron sloped to drain, with a suitable hinged cover provided for the riser. There should also be a water outlet provided for sanitary maintenance of the station. The water outlet hose should be either mounted on a reel or tower to ensure that the nozzle doesn't touch the ground and it should have an approved device to prevent backflow. The water outlet should be labeled "This water is for flushing & cleaning, NOT for drinking or domestic purposes." It must be at least 50ft away from any body of water and 75ft away from any campsite.

A sanitary dump station is required by all campgrounds accommodating independent camping units on unsewered sites in ratio of 1 for every 300 sites unless the operator submits a plan to the department and obtains an approval for an alternate method for disposal of liquid wastes.

CHECKLIST FOR CAMPGROUND OPERATORS

(Note: the following are highlights of the code, for complete code information contact the Dept.)

1. Were plans submitted to the department before campground construction or modification?
2. Before opening a campground or special event campground the operator shall obtain a permit from the Department.
3. Is each campsite clearly marked, numbered (except at a special event campground), and all sites shall be a minimum of 10ft apart?
4. A camping unit may not be placed or attached onto a permanent foundation or permanent structure at the campsite, except to an approved disposal system or to an approved water supply system permitted.
5. Camping units may be located only in an area of the campground which is not subject to the accumulation of storm water or other surface water.
6. Density of campers of campsites shall not exceed the following:
 - a) an individual campsites can have up to 6 campers or an individual family
 - b) no more than 20 individual campsites per acre, and
 - c) no more than 80 campers per acre in group campsites
7. Multiple unit sites: an individual campsite may be occupied by more than one camping unit as long as they are at least 10ft apart and the total number of campers does not exceed 6 campers or an individual family.
8. A water outlet which is under pressure and safe for human consumption shall be located within 400ft of all campsites and not within 50ft of any sanitary dump station.
9. Private wells will be sampled and tested annually for bacteria /coliform and the results made available upon request.
10. Water riser pipes shall extend 18 inches above the ground and the outlet directed downward. Any threaded faucets shall have approved backflow prevention.

11. Sewage; which includes all liquid and water-carved wastes from sinks, bathing, and toilet facilities; may not discharge onto the ground surface.

12. Separate toilet rooms shall be provided for each sex within 400ft of all campsites. Vault toilets or approved outdoor toilets are permitted. All toilets shall be fly-tight, vermin proof, with impervious floors, seat risers and seats. The doors should be self closing. Each toilet shall be enclosed separately with a privacy lock. Their number of toilets required are as follows:

# of sites	Women	Men	
		toilets	urinal
1-15	2	1	1
16-30	3	2	1
31-45	4	2	2
46-60	5	3	2
61-100	6	3	3

13. Covered garbage and refuse containers shall be provided within 400 ft of all campsites.

14. When provided, a fish and game cleaning station, they shall be reasonably fly-tight and vermin proof and maintained in a sanitary manner.

15. At least one maintained fire extinguisher shall be available in the campground office or other building within the campground.

16. When a camping unit or shelter unit is rented it shall be in a clean and sanitary condition and in good repair. If any multi-use food or beverage utensils are provided they shall be washed, rinsed, and sanitized at 100ppm sodium hypochlorite. Rented sleeping bags or bed linens shall be laundered between rentals.

17: The campground operator shall maintain the campground and related facilities in a clean, safe and sanitary condition at all times.

18. Maintain a campground register with the name of principal campsite occupant and the number in the party and kept for at least one year.

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