



Camping Units outside of licensed campgrounds in Rusk County

What is a camping unit?

It is any portable device, no more than 400 square feet in area, used as a temporary shelter, including but not limited to a camping trailer, motor home, bus, van, pick-up truck, or tent.

What are the requirements for camping units/recreational vehicles?

A property owner may store their own major recreational equipment on their own property without being subject to any time limit, as long as there is a residence on the same parcel and the equipment is not used for living or housekeeping purposes when parked or stored on the parcel.

If a camper is used for living or housekeeping purposes at any time while stored on a property and the camping unit remains on the property for more than 30 days per year, only one camping unit can be permitted, setbacks must be met and annual permits must be obtained. The permit fee is \$100. The annual fee is \$100.

Adequate sanitary facilities must be installed if pressurized water is available on site and for park models. Proof of pumping must be provided for all other camping units where water is brought in from off site.

What if I want more than one camping unit?

More than one camping unit will constitute a campground and a minimum parcel size of 5 acres is needed to apply. A Conditional Use Permit will need to be obtained from the township and Zoning Committee. More than three units will also require a license from the Public Health Department. Annual permits will be required for all units.

Contact Rusk County Zoning if you have questions.

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