



Town of Freedom

TEMPORARY CAMPING PERMITS

ARTICLE 12 RESIDENTIAL CAMPING

Section 1201 Camping on Residential Lots

Recognizing the lure of New Hampshire for vacationers, the intent of this Section is to provide the opportunity for non-commercial recreational use of residential property for family and friends of the property owner or long-term renter.

1201.1 Temporary camping (in tents, camping trailers, and motor homes) is allowed on lots with an existing primary dwelling unit only

1201.2 Temporary camping is allowed during the period from Memorial Day weekend to Columbus Day weekend.

1201.3 Temporary camping for family reunions or other events is allowed for one period of up to ten consecutive days during the period described in section 1201.2.

1201.4 For extended camping (more than ten total days during the season) on a residential lot, the property owner or long-term tenant (greater than 30 days) shall obtain a permit. The zoning officer will issue a permit for no more than two camping units, only one of which shall be a motor home or camping trailer. Failure to abide by this condition may result in the revocation of the permit.

1201.5 Tents, camping trailers and motor homes shall not be located within the setbacks unless, due to lot size, topography, or configuration, it is impossible to avoid the setbacks. In this case, the zoning officer may permit a camping unit be in the setback.

1201.6 Any lot on which residential camping occurs, must have an operational state approved septic system which shall be available for use by all campers.

1201.7 This article does not allow any short-term rental (less than thirty (30) days) of the primary dwelling or any other structure, tent, camping trailer, or motor home on the lot.

1201.8 No commercial camping is allowed except in an authorized campground. If a property owner rents out the primary residence on the lot, this will constitute a commercial arrangement for the purpose of this article and the property owner shall not camp on this lot except under the terms of 1201.3

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TEMPORARY CAMPING PERMIT APPLICATION

Camping is permitted Memorial Day through Columbus Day.

Vegetation or visual impairment between you and your abutters and public ways is encouraged.

Property Owner(s): _____ Date: _____

Map: _____ Lot: _____ Property Address: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Number of camping units: _____ *Maximum allowance of two

Type(s) of camping unit(s) (e.g. tent, camping trailer, motorhome, etc.): _____

Proof of operational state approved septic system must accompany application

Do you have a valid permit for an open fire pit? Yes No- if not contact Fire Chief to obtain

Include a sketch of your lot showing the lot lines and placement of your camping facility and the operational waste processing system with approximate distances of your camping units from your boundaries.

Signature(s) of Property Owners _____ Date

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Approved _____ Denied _____ Article: _____

Zoning Officer Signature: _____ Date: _____

