CARAVAN SITES AND THE CONTROL OF DEVELOPMENT ACT 1960 SECTION 5

LICENCE CONDITIONS FOR TOURING CARAVAN SITES FOR THE FORMER BOROUGH OF SOUTH WIGHT



1. SITE DENSITY

- (a) Site density should not exceed 75 units (caravans or motor caravans) per hectare (30 units per acre) calculated on the basis of the useable area rather than the total site area (ie, excluding crags, lakes, roads, communal services, etc), provided that, where tent camping is also permitted, the maximum number of units stationed on the site at any one time should be reduced by the number of pitches occupied by main tents stationed for human habitation. Where individual pitches, surrounded by hedges, fences, etc, the minimum size of each pitch shall be 100 m x 10 m square.
- (b) Where the number of units on the site is to be limited by condition, it may be appropriate to prescribe maxima by reference to specified periods so as to permit up to 10% more units during such peak holiday periods as may be agreed between the site Licensing Authority and the licence holder without the provision of additional facilities, provided that:
 - (i) the provision of paragraph (a) above are complied with; and
 - (ii) the standards relating to spacing, as set out in paragraphs (a), (b) and (c) of item 2 below, are complied with.

2. SPACING

- (a) Every unit should be not less than 6 metres from any other unit in separate family occupation and not less than 3 metres should be permitted between units in any circumstances.
- (b) Vehicles and other ancillary equipment should be permitted within the 6 metres space between units in separate family occupation, but, in order to restrict the spread of fire, there should always be 3 metres clear space within the 6 metres separation.
- (c) Emergency vehicles should be able to secure access at all times to within 90 metres of any unit on the site.

3. DRINKING WATER SUPPLY AND WASTE WATER DISPOSAL

- (a) There should be an adequate supply of drinking water. Each pitch on a site should be no further than 100 yards (90 m) from a water tap; at each tap there should be a soakaway or gully.
- (b) Waste water disposal points should be provided so that each pitch is no further than 50 yards (45 m) from a waste water disposal point. The appropriate Water Authority should be consulted about the arrangements for disposal of water likely to be contaminated.

4. TOILETS: WC's AND CHEMICAL CLOSETS

- (a) The scale of provision should be one WC and one urinal for men and 2 WC=s for women per 30 pitches, with some tapering of the scale in the case of very large sites - say over 100 pitches (see also paragraph (b) below). Where the spread of toilets over a site is important, distribution and distance requirements should be laid down as appropriate. The provision of separate toilets for the use of each sex may not be justified in the case of small sites - say less than 10 pitches.
- (b) Where the provision of WC's is not feasible, chemical closets should be provided on a scale of at least twice that for WC's.

5. DISPOSAL POINT FOR CHEMICAL CLOSETS

(a) Whether or not WC's are provided, a properly designed disposal point for the contents of chemical closets should be provided together with an adjacent adequate supply of water for cleaning containers. The method of disposal will need to be considered in the light of the particular circumstances and should be to the satisfaction of the local authority. Where appropriate, the water supply should be clearly labelled as non-potable.

6. WASHING POINTS

(a) There should be a minimum of 4 wash basins supplied with water per 30 units; 2 each for men and women. These should be adjacent to the toilets.

7. HOT WATER: SHOWERS

(a) Showers should not be obligatory on sites with less than 60 pitches. If showers are required, provision should be on the basis of one shower per 30 pitches and hot water should be available.

8. DISABLED PERSONS

(a) Particular consideration should be given to the needs of the disabled in the provision made for water points, toilets, washing points and showers.

9. ELECTRICAL INSTALLATIONS

Where there is an electrical installation other than Electricity Board works and circuits subject to Regulations under Section 60 of the Electricity Act 1947, it should be installed to the requirements of the Institution of Electrical Engineers= Regulations for Electrical Installations (the IEE Wiring Regulations) for the time being in force and, where appropriate, to the standard acceptable for the Electricity (Overhead Lines) Regulations 1970, SI 1970 No 1355. Any installation should be maintained in such a way as to prevent danger as far as reasonably practicable and should be periodically inspected and tested by a competent person in accordance with the IEE Wiring Regulations.

10. REFUSE DISPOSAL

(a) Adequate provision should be made for the storage, collection and disposal of refuse. (It is expected that site operators should normally be able to meet their responsibilities by making arrangements with the local authority.)

11. FIRE PRECAUTIONS

- (a) No unit should be further than 100 yards (90m) from a fire point. At each fire point there should be 2 water (gas expelled) extinguishers each of 2 gallon (10 litre) capacity and complying with British Standard 5432 : 1980, together with a means of raising the alarm in the event of fire (eg, manually operated sounder, gong or hand operated siren). All fire fighting equipment susceptible to damage by frost should be suitably protected.
- (b) Wherever there is a likelihood of fire spreading due to vegetation catching fire, suitable beaters, of the type used by the Forestry Commission, should also be provided at each fire point.
- (c) The fire points should be clearly marked and easily accessibly. All fire fighting equipment should be maintained in working order and kept available for use and for inspection by the licensing authority.
- (d) Each fire point should exhibit a conspicuous notice indicating the action to be taken in case of fire and the location of the nearest telephone. The notice should include the following:

On discovering a fire

- (a) Raise the alarm.
- (b) Ensure the affected unit is evacuated.
- (c) Call the Fire Brigade (the nearest telephone is sited).
- (d) If practicable, attack the fire using the fire fighting equipment provided.

12. LIQUEFIED PETROLEUM GAS

(a) Arrangements for the storage of liquefied petroleum gas (LPG) on the site should be in accordance with the current national Code of Practice and regulations.

13. SITE NOTICES

- (a) A sign indicating the name of the site should be displayed at the site entrance.
- (b) Notices should be displayed prominently on the site indicating the action to be taken in the event of an emergency and show where the police, fire brigade, ambulance, and local doctors can be contacted, and the location of the nearest public telephone. Where practicable, a telephone should be provided on the site and the full address of the site should be displayed near the telephone.
- (c) At sites subject to flood risk, warning notices should be displayed giving advice about the operation of the flood warning system.

- (d) At sites with overhead electric lines, warning notices should be displayed on the supports for the lines and at the site entrance. Where appropriate, these should warn against the danger of contact between the lines and the masts of yachts or dinghies.
- (e) A copy of the site licence with its conditions should be displayed prominently on the site.