

TOWNSHIP OF BEAVER CREEK, CRAWFORD COUNTY, MI
Travel Trailer/Recreational Vehicle/Tent Permit

“Camping permits are issued and used to tract compliance with the Camping Ordinance of Beaver Creek Township.”

Issuance of this permit allows, in all zoning districts, the location and use of one travel trailer, recreational vehicle, or tent on an unimproved lot or otherwise vacant property, subject to the conditions noted below.

Permit Issued to: _____ Permit# _____

Permanent Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone Number: (____) _____ - _____ (Cell) (Home) Circle One

Lot/Property Location: _____

Camping Dates: _____

Date Permit Issued: _____ Person Issuing Permit: _____

Type of Recreational Vehicle: Camper Trailer__ Travel Trailer__ Motor Home__ Fold Down Trailer__
Pop Up Trailer __ Fifth Wheel__ Tent__

Number of Acres at least (2 ½): _____

Expires: _____ 1st additional (30 days) _____ 2nd additional (30 days) _____
(56 days)

All permits issued under this ordinance must be posted in full View in a conspicuous place visible from the road (if applicable)

Purpose Clause:

It is hereby determined that on some occasions campers and tents defined herein are used on properties with Beaver Creek Township. To ensure the health and safety of residents, to make such use compatible with the permitted uses of property, and **not** to diminish property values, the regulations in this ordinance are the minimum regulations required outside of established commercial campgrounds or State Park facilities.

Therefore, the Township of Beaver Creek ordains:

Definitions:

Camping in licensed recreational vehicles, (licensed fifth wheels, licensed trailers), tents, and campers) is permitted in AR, RD, LDR, and MDR Districts, subject to the following: 1) Camper must be occupied while on site. 2) The camper must comply with Michigan Vehicle Codes for use on public highways to include: valid registration, license, insurance, and be road worth. 3) The camper must be equipped with self-contained sanitary facilities or have an improved lot with sanitary facilities approved by the health department. 4) The camper must have a valid township permit. The township camping permit must be obtained by the property owner at the township office at no fee. The initial permit is valid for fifty-six (56) days. A camper may obtain two (2) additional thirty (30) day permits (no fee) then **must** be removed for a minimum of thirty (30) days. Under no circumstances shall camping be permitted if the property is not **AT LEAST TWO AND ONE-HALF (2 ½) ACRES IN SIZE.** (Ref. Sec. 14.31-Use of Recreational Vehicles as Temporary Dwellings by Visitors)

Recreational units described as: **Tent:** A portable shelter typically used as a sleeping place. **Camper:** The term shall include but not limited to items commonly referred to as a camper trailer, travel trailer, motor home, fold down or pop up trailer, fifth wheel typically used as a sleeping place. **Improved lot:** A lot upon which there is dwelling with sanitary facilities that comply with Michigan Health Department regulations.

Penalties: Any person who violates this ordinance shall be responsible for a municipal civil infraction. Civil sanctions under this section may include, without limitations, fines, damages, expenses and costs as authorized by Public Act 236 of 1961, as amended.

I have read and will comply with this ordinance.

Signature

Date

Beaver Creek Township Zoning Ordinance

Section 3.20 Parking or Storage of Recreational Vehicles on Residential Lots & Parcels

Storage of not more than two (2) licensed recreational vehicles shall be permitted year-round in LDR and MDR Zoning Districts provided that such units shall be completely within the side and rear yards or completely enclosed within the side and rear yards or completely enclosed within a structure. This provision shall also apply to all non-farm single-family dwellings located in the RD and AR Districts and all single-family dwellings located in all commercial and industrial districts. Storage shall not occur on vacant/unimproved parcels.

Section 3.21 Recreational Camping in an RV On Vacant/Unimproved Properties

Camping in licensed recreational vehicles (RVs), (licensed fifth wheels and licensed trailers, tents, and campers) is permitted in AR, RD, LDR, and MDR Districts, subject to the following:

- A. Recreational vehicle(s) must be occupied while on site.
- B. The recreational vehicle(s) must comply with Michigan Vehicle Codes for use on public highways to include: valid registration, license, insurance, and be road worthy.
- C. The recreational vehicle(s) must be equipped with self-contained sanitary facilities or have an improved lot with sanitary facilities approved by the District Health Department.
- D. The recreational vehicle(s) must have a valid Township permit. The Township Camping Permit must be obtained by the property owner at the Township Office at no fee.
 - 1. **Up to Two (2) Campers per Parcel.** The initial permit is valid for fifty-six (56) days. A camper may obtain two (2) additional thirty (30) day permits (no fee) then must be removed for a minimum of thirty (30) days.
 - 2. **Three (3) to five (5) Campers per Parcel.** The permit shall be valid for no more than seven (7) days then must be removed for a minimum of thirty (30) days. More than five (5) campers are not allowed on a vacant/unimproved lot.
- E. Under no circumstances shall camping be permitted on properties less than two and one-half (2 ½) acres in size.

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