

CHAPTER 25: CAMPING AND CAMPGROUNDS

SECTION 25.01 PERMIT REQUIRED

No person who has not been issued a permit under this ordinance may conduct, maintain, manage, or operate a campground or camping resort in the Town of Baraboo.

SECTION 25.02 APPLICATION

Applications for a permit under this ordinance shall be made to the Town Clerk and shall be issued only upon approval by the Town Board.

SECTION 25.03 ADMINISTRATIVE CODE

No permit shall be issued for any campground or camping resort that does not comply with the regulations of the Town of Baraboo Zoning Ordinance and the regulations of the Wisconsin Administrative Code, which are hereby adopted by reference and made a part of this ordinance.

SECTION 25.04 FEE

A fee of \$50.00 per year is hereby established for each permit. Each permit shall be issued for a period of one year and shall commence on July 1 and expire on June 30 of the following year.

SECTION 25.05 DEFINITIONS

A. FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS CHAPTER:

1. The terms "campground" and "camping resort" as used herein shall have the meaning as defined by departmental rule of the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade, and Consumer Protection and the Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services.
2. "Camping unit" means a sleeping unit, such as a tent or a recreational vehicle, or part thereof, which is used to house persons on a temporary basis and shall not be considered a structure.

SECTION 25.06 RESIDENTIAL CAMPING

A. WATER AND SANITARY FACILITIES

No person shall camp in a tent or recreational vehicle on any premises in a residential area in the Town of Baraboo unless there is located on the lot a permanent residence which can provide water and sanitary facilities to the camping persons.

B. CONDITIONS

Camping when located on the same lot as an existing residential dwelling in compliance with subsection A shall be allowed, subject to the following conditions:

1. No camping permit shall be required.
2. No more than two camping units shall be allowed on any lot or parcel of land under one ownership.
3. Loud or rowdy behavior which is disruptive to the peace of other persons shall be prohibited.
4. State approved sanitary systems shall be available.
5. Camping stays shall last no longer than 15 consecutive days and at the completion of such stay all camping units and/or equipment shall be removed.
6. Land disturbance activities likely to result in significant erosion, destruction of vegetation or alteration of existing topography, insofar as primarily related to any proposed camping, shall be prohibited.
7. Arrangements shall be made for the proper disposal of trash and garbage. Littering shall be prohibited.

C. TEMPORARY PERMIT

Notwithstanding the provisions of subsections A and B, the Town Board may grant a temporary, 90-day permit for camping on premises in the residential area during the construction of a home on the premises, with the option of renewal at the discretion of the Town Board and upon inspection. The permit shall expire upon completion of the home construction.

D. DEFINITIONS

For the purposes of this section:

1. "Camping unit" means a sleeping unit, such as a tent or a recreational vehicle, or part thereof, which is used to house persons on a temporary basis and shall not be considered a structure.

SECTION 25.07 PENALTIES

Any person who shall violate any provision of this ordinance shall, upon conviction thereof, forfeit not less than \$10.00 nor more than \$100.00 together with the costs of prosecution. Each day of violation shall be deemed to constitute a separate offense.