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Recreational Vehicle Informational Guide

Q: What is a Recreational Vehicle or Camping Trailer?

A: The Moore County Zoning Ordinance defines recreational vehicle and camping trailer as:

Recreation Vehicle: A self-propelled vehicle or portable structure mounted on such a vehicle designed as a temporary dwelling for travel, recreation, and vacation.

Camping Trailer: A folding structure manufactured of metal, wood, canvas, plastic, or other materials, or any combination thereof, mounted on wheels and designed for travel, recreation, or vacation use.

Q: Can a Recreational Vehicle or Camping Trailer be used as a permanent dwelling unit in Moore County?

A: No. Currently the Moore County Zoning Ordinance prohibits the use of a recreational vehicle or camping trailer to be setup as a permanent dwelling unit.

Q: Can a Recreational Vehicle or Camping Trailer be used temporarily while constructing a permanent dwelling unit.

A: Yes, In the Rural Agricultural District (RA), Residential and Agricultural-5 (RA-5) and Rural Equestrian (RE) zoning districts a recreational vehicle can be used as a temporary dwelling unit when the principal dwelling unit is currently under construction on the same lot. The recreational vehicle must be disconnected and vacated before the final certificate of occupancy is issued.

Q: How long is a temporary permit valid for the use of a Recreational Vehicle or Camping Trailer?

A: A temporary permit for a recreational vehicle or camping trailer is valid for six (6) months.

Q: Can an extension be obtained if construction takes longer than six (6) months.

A: Yes. The temporary permit may be renewed once for an additional six (6) months.

Q: Will the recreational vehicle be inspected by the Building Inspections Division

A: Yes, An inspection will be conducted to ensure that the recreational vehicle or camping trailer is connected to and is using a permitted septic system . A temporary occupancy permit will then be issued for the temporary use of a recreational vehicle.

Q: Can a permit for the recreational vehicle or camping trailer be obtained before applying for the principal dwelling unit?

A: No, the permit application for the recreational vehicle must be included with the principal dwelling unit application. Approvals for the permanent dwelling unit will have to be obtained before the temporary approval of a recreational vehicle.

Q: Does a septic approval permit have to be obtained for the temporary use of a recreational vehicle?

A: Yes, septic approval from the Environmental Health Department must be obtained before a temporary occupancy permit will be issued.

Q: If the primary dwelling unit is destroyed, can a recreational vehicle or camping trailer be used as a dwelling unit?

A: Yes, however the same temporary restrictions of six (6) months will apply and the temporary use will have to be requested at the same time as the zoning permits for the permanent dwelling unit.

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