

Town of Effingham Recreational Vehicle Information Sheet

NOTE: In March 2013 the Effingham Zoning Ordinance was amended to allow a landowner the issuance of multiple RV permits per year. In March 2015 the Effingham Zoning Ordinance was amended to allow a landowner two (2) RVs on a single lot for up to 150 days per calendar year. Aggregate days must not exceed 150 per calendar year.

On the Recreational Vehicle Permit Application the applicant must specify the start and end dates being asked for, or a single permit will be issued for 150 consecutive days.

1 - Recreation Vehicles must meet all setback requirements for the district they are in.

Minimum Structure Setbacks From Property Line (feet)

	Rural Agricultural	Village District	Open Space Conservation Subdivision
Front	50	35	20
Side	30	25	20
Rear	50	50	20

2 - Recreation Vehicles must meet all State and Local codes regarding waste disposal. The town can require documentation of the schedule of the pumping and disposal of waste.

3 - Recreational Vehicles are not a permitted use in the Historic District or Province Lake District

Recreation Vehicle means any of the following:

- a) Travel Trailer – shall mean a vehicular, portable structure built on a chassis, designed as a temporary dwelling for travel, recreation and vacation use having a body main frame area of no greater than 400 square feet.
The allowable width is not more than eight and a half (8 ½) feet. This definition does not include any trailer or vehicle for which a special permit is required for transportation along any roadway, in accordance with RSA 266:24.
- b) Tent/Camper – shall mean a vehicular portable structure that folds open as a temporary dwelling intended for travel, recreation, and vacation use.
- c) Pick-up Camper – shall mean a structure mounted or to be mounted on a truck type chassis designed as a temporary dwelling intended for travel, recreation, and vacation use.
- d) Motor home/Van/Coach/Converted Bus – shall mean a vehicle with its own chassis designed as a temporary dwelling to be used for travel, recreation, and vacation use.

ARTICLE 14 RECREATION VEHICLES

Section 1401

A Recreation Vehicle, as defined by this Article, owned for personal use by a landowner of the Town of Effingham, may be stored or parked on the landowner's property during periods of non-use provided the Vehicle remains mobile, is not connected to any utilities, and is not used for storage, shelter, or human habitation.

Section 1402

A landowner may allow the use and placement of up to two (2) Recreation Vehicles for Recreation purposes on his or her property, even if not a campground. The landowner must obtain a permit from the Enforcement Officer in order to use a Recreation Vehicle for the purposes set forth in this section and such Recreation Vehicle must have adequate sanitary facilities, approved by the State of New Hampshire and the Town of Effingham as per RSA 216-I:13. The Enforcement Officer may issue multiple permits per year not to exceed 150 aggregate days per calendar year. Further, upon expiration of any permitted use under this section the Recreation Vehicle must comply with all aspects of section 1401 of this article.

Section 1403

A landowner may use a single Recreation Vehicle as a temporary place of occupancy while a permanent dwelling is being built on the same property, provided the landowner acquires a permit for such use from the Enforcement Officer. The Recreation Vehicle must have adequate sanitary facilities, approved by the State of New Hampshire and the Town of Effingham as per RSA 216-I:13. Said permit will allow the landowner to use his or her Recreation Vehicle for the purposes set forth in this section for no more than one calendar year. Upon the expiration of one year, the landowner may apply for an extension of the initial one-year permit. Further, upon expiration of any permitted use under this section the Recreation Vehicle must comply with all aspects of section 1401 of this article.