

**19.08.020 Definitions.**

For the purposes of this chapter, the words set out in this section shall have the following meanings:

“Campground” means an area owned, controlled, developed and/or maintained by the City, which contains one or more improved campsites or contains adequate area for one or more unimproved campsites.

“Camping” means:

1. The erection of or occupancy of any tent, regardless of whether said tent is of commercial manufacture or has been constructed in whole or part by any person;

2. The placing or leaving of any items normally found at a campsite within campsite such as cookstoves, lanterns, etc., if sleeping bags and/or other forms of bedding are also left at the location;

3. Parking of any camper unit in any area owned or controlled by the City, which has been designated a camping area by official signs, in excess of 24 hours, shall constitute camping, regardless of any physical change in campsite within camping area;

4. The presence of any person sleeping in any motor vehicles or camper units between the hours of midnight and 6:00 a.m. shall constitute prima facie evidence of camping;

5. Sleeping on the ground, with or without any shelter, sleeping pad, etc., between the hours of midnight and 6:00 a.m., on any land owned or controlled by the City, shall constitute camping;

6. Preparation or consumption of meals in, or in affiliation with and in proximity to, any camper unit at any time following midnight of the day said camper unit was parked in any campground shall constitute prima facie evidence of camping.

“Camping season” means that period of time from ~~April~~ March 1st through October 30th.

“Campsite” means all improved and unimproved campsites located on lands owned or controlled by the City.

“Designated camping area” means any area of land owned or controlled by the City, which has been marked by official signs as open to camping or campers.

“Immediately mobile” means that the camper unit may be moved from its campsite by either:

1. Starting its propulsion engine and driving said unit away; or

2. By attaching a towing vehicle to the trailer hitch of said camper unit and pulling it away; provided, that in both subsections (1) and (2) of this definition, the removal must

be feasible without any preliminary actions to prepare the vehicle for removal, such as, but not limited to, installation of wheels, or removal of support structure or platforms, etc.

“Improved campsite” means any space designated for individual or family camping and normally containing a table, fireplace and parking space, and shall include the surrounding area which is, or has been, used for camp living and social functions by the camper.

“Other wastes” means garbage, refuse, offal, oil, grease, tar, dyestuffs, acids, chemicals, industrial or seafood processing wastes, and any other substance which may cause, or tend to cause, pollution of the lands or waters within the City.

“Parking” means the placing or leaving of any motor vehicle or trailer on any land within the City, if the propulsion engine of said vehicle is off.

“Permanent structure” or “shelter” means any collection, assemblage, construction, or assortment of materials or devices; whether of natural or synthetic nature, which has served or is reasonably capable of serving as protection from any of the elements; or as an item constructed to enhance the habitability of a campsite, such as, but not limited to, structures functioning as, or which are reasonably capable of functioning as, furniture items. Any camper unit rendered less than immediately mobile by the removal of wheels or placement on supports or platforms shall also be a permanent structure. Commercially manufactured tents and the flysheet supplied for the tent by the manufacturer or constructed in whole or in part from canvas, nylon or other tenting material shall not be classified as permanent structures or shelters unless they have been placed on a platform or material other than the soil at the site of erection.

“Self-contained camper unit” means all vehicles and trailers which contain sleeping facilities for one or more persons. Sleeping facilities shall also include any structure or area of any vehicle or trailer which circumstances indicate are actually being used for sleeping and need not consist of actual beds or bunks. Self-contained camper units are also referred to as “camper units” in this section. Self-contained camper units may be referred to as “campers” on signs for designated camping areas.

“Temporary structure” or “shelter” means all tents of standard commercial manufacture with the flysheet provided by the manufacturer or constructed in whole or in part from canvas, nylon or other tenting material, and all commercially manufactured self-contained camper units, so long as said camper units are maintained in such a condition that they are immediately mobile. Any camper unit not maintained in an immediately mobile condition shall be deemed a permanent structure.

“Unimproved campsite” means that area of land surrounding any temporary structure on any City-owned or City-controlled property open to camping, other than improved

71 campsites, and the structure itself; said area shall be that area which is being or has been  
72 used for camp living and social functions. [Ord. 99-18(A) § 1, 1999; Ord. 81-1(S), 1981].

73 **19.08.060 Maximum duration of camping.**

74 a. No person shall camp in the same campsite on City-owned or City-controlled property in  
75 excess of 14 calendar days, ~~regardless of any changes in campsite or campgrounds. Persons~~  
76 ~~who have utilized their 14-day camping period may not return to camp in any City-owned or~~  
77 ~~City-controlled camping area for 14 additional days following the last day of their 14-day~~  
78 ~~camping period. The 14 days of authorized camping need not be consecutive.~~

79 ~~b. An exception may be granted to the 14-day limitation if there are sufficient vacant~~  
80 ~~campsites, as determined by an authorized City official. All persons shall move their campsite~~  
81 ~~at the end of each 14-day period. [Ord. 81-1(S), 1981. Code 1967 § 5-700.5].~~

