

What is a Caravan Site Licence?

A Caravan Site Licence is written permission from the council to station caravan(s) intended for the purpose of human habitation on any on any land these can be residential or touring sites.

Before you apply for a license, you will probably require planning permission and you are advised to contact the planning department direct to discuss further.

A licence cannot be issued until such permission is obtained.

The licence sets conditions that cover a range of health and safety standards that will apply to the whole site e.g. ensuring adequate fire precautions.

Are There Conditions Imposed?

Conditions relating to density, sanitary provisions, and if necessary such things as caravan spacing, roadways etc can be imposed. These will be determined by an officer from this Council who will inspect the site and discuss the conditions and requirements with you. You must allow the other free access to the site and provide all required.

Are there any exemptions?

Yes. There are some exceptions as detailed in the legislation, and these are listed below, but you are advised to enquire further for more information.

- A caravan site with the cartilage of a dwelling and its use is incidental to the dwelling. This means it cannot be occupied separately.
- A single caravan sited for not more than two consecutive nights for a maximum of 28 days in any 12 months.
- Up to three caravans on a site of not less than five acres for a maximum of 28 days in any 12 months.
- Sites occupied by exempted organisations such as the Caravan Club.
- Sites of up to 5 caravans certified by an exempt organisation and which are for members only.
- Sites occupied by the local authority. These are usually gypsy sites.
- Sites for temporary and special purposes such as caravan rallies, agricultural and forestry workers, building and engineering sites and traveling salesmen.
- A site for tents only can be used for a maximum of 28 days in any 12 months.

Why do I need a Licence?

For the protection of public health and to ensure that health and safety requirements are met; for example ensuring that fire precautions are adequate and that any shared facilities are sufficient and accessible.

How do I apply for a Licence?

You write to the Licensing Team of the North Norfolk District Council, requesting an application form, and indicating the position of you planning application.

How long does the Licence last?

The Licence will expire when the planning permission expires.