



Information Sheet 9.

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TENTS ON CARAVAN RALLIES.

Some caravan clubs now allow, within the constraints of their constitution, tents and trailer tents to attend rallies as separate units.

Under the Public Health Act, tents and trailer tents need to be covered by a Camping Certificate in addition to the **Para' 4** or **Para' 6** Exemption Certificates.

Membership of ACCEO, whilst not offering any guarantee, enhances the probability of the government department granting a Camping Certificate providing that all following criteria are met.

Under the Public Health Act 1936 Section 269, Natural England have issued a Guide for Camping & Touring Caravan Exemption Certificates and an Application Form

In the past Clubs applications could be made by way of a Club letter. Natural England have now simplified the procedure by issuing an application form and providing a guide on it's completion. It contains a model code of conduct to guide organisations on the supervision and management of camps.

You will only you need to use the form for a new application or when your existing Camping Certificate needs renewal. You will also need to provide:

- Your constitution
- Rally/Meeting Programme for the most recent year
- Your Club's Code of Conduct
- Evidence of Camping Experience – by this they mean management and supervision of camp sites.

The guide (briefly) requires that the Club has/is:

- A properly formed constitution
- You are applying for your clubs own benefit only and no-one else
- Has put adequate arrangements in place for the management and supervision of all its sites; and able to provide evidence of experience of organising campsites. See para 12 below.
- Has a code of conduct, which its members are expected to comply with, at all times.

Applications must be on the Natural England form and must include the following information:

- Your organisations constitution
- Your club's code of conduct.
- Details of any branches or units of your organisation and whether they share the same constitution
- Details of your organisations camping history (eg. is the application solely related to tented camping or does it include caravanning as a separate activity or mixed camping and caravanning.
- Any relevant experience your members have as officers or organisers in other organisations as well as your own.

Copies of the application form and guide can be obtained from: <https://www.gov.uk/camping-and-caravanning-site-exemption-certificates-know-the-rules-and-how-to-apply#conditions-for-exemption-tents-caravans-and-motorhomes>

"Pup tents" on caravan rallies.

Small tents pitched adjacent to caravan units and intended purely as an extension of the caravan accommodation are excluded from the requirement for a Camping Certificate.

Such tents must be used only for accommodation, the sanitary and cooking facilities being provided by those reserved for the caravan unit of which the tent forms an extension.



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