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## Community Development

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### **RV Permit Guide**

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#### **“ When can you have an RV in the County?”**

1. *To be used for Temporary, Vacation or Recreational use. \**
2. *To use as a temporary dwelling while building a new residential dwelling. \**

*\* Where applicable per Zoning Ordinances*

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Please see below for reference to the OSFM NC DOI clarifications for labeling & setting up of “Recreational Park Trailers” (formerly “Park Model” recreational vehicles)” (print out available upon request)

#### **General Requirements per Article 552.4, NEC**

*A park trailer as specified in 552.2 is intended for seasonal use. It is not intended as a permanent dwelling unit or for commercial uses such as banks, clinics, offices, or similar.*

### **Polk County Requirements for Temporary RV Use:**

#### **1. Zoning approval:**

- a. in some areas of the county, you may or may not be able to use an RV for any purpose; in some areas you can only store an RV on your property; once you have zoning preliminary or verbal approval you may move on to **Step #2**.

#### **2. Environmental Health approval in the form of:**

- a. New well and new septic OPERATIONS permits:
  - i. systems in the ground and ready for power for operation.
- b. Existing systems checks
  - i. If there is an existing system; the Environmental Health department can do an existing system check to verify the system can withstand RV hook-ups for temporary use.
  - ii. Once you have approval from EH you may proceed to **Step #3**.

#### **3. RV permit from Building Inspections:**

- a. Please fill out the [Miscellaneous Permit Application](#)
  - i. Please include: NC licensed: electrician & plumber

- ii. \$100.00 Permit fee (plus any Zoning Fees)
- b. Once permit is issued:
  - i. Your Electrician & Plumber Must call in for final inspections
  - ii. The Inspector will come out an inspect electrical and plumbing **\*ONLY\***;
  - iii. Once you pass inspection, we will send off approval to the electrical company.

### **Things of note:**

- You will not get an address with an RV permit; you must speak with the addressing department located in the Tax and Tag office about applying for a variance to our addressing ordinance for an address
  - (828) 894-8500 EXT: 250
- We accept exact cash, check or credit card (\$3.95 service fee for CC)