



## Municipality of Skagway

Permit Application for  
Temporary Habitation of a  
Recreational Vehicle

**For Official Use Only**

Permit No: \_\_\_\_\_

Date Received: \_\_\_\_\_

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# Temporary Habitation of Recreational Vehicle (R.V.) Application

**R.V. Type:** Motor Home \_\_\_ 5th Wheel Trailer \_\_\_ Travel Trailer \_\_\_  
Camper Trailer \_\_\_ Park Trailer \_\_\_ Other \_\_\_

**Make:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Model:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Year:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Property Owner:** Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Occupants:** Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

**R.V. Location:** Lot: \_\_\_\_\_ Block: \_\_\_\_\_  
Subdivision: \_\_\_\_\_

IN ORDER FOR THIS APPLICATION TO BE CONSIDERED COMPLETE AND YOUR PERMIT REVIEW TO BEGIN, SKAGWAY CITY HALL STAFF MUST REVIEW THIS PERMIT APPLICATION AND ENSURE THAT IT HAS BEEN FILLED OUT COMPLETELY AND THAT ALL DRAWINGS, DIAGRAMS AND INFORMATION NEEDED HAVE BEEN SUBMITTED.

***A site plan with all requested information must accompany your application***

- Location of proposed trailer on lot** (minimum of 6' setback from adjacent structures)
- Proof of ownership for the proposed R.V.**
- Current registration for proposed R.V.**
- Location and method of utility hook up** (drainage pipe is properly sealed to prevent gas and fluid leaks, drainage pipe is adequately supported, drainage pipe is at a minimum slope of 1/8 in./ft.)
- Location of gas container** (not allowed inside, mounted on rear wall or bumper)
- Location of unobstructed exits** (minimum of 2)
- Location of smoke detector** (minimum of 1)
- Location of fire extinguisher** (minimum of 1)

***Recreational vehicles may be utilized for habitation on private property in all zoning districts except in the Business Historic Zoning District, Waterfront Zoning District or on property already designated for congregate housing.***

"Habitation" means to "use for living space" and shall include, but not be limited to, acts of sleeping, cooking, bathing, occupying as a dwelling, or any stay within the recreational vehicle not directly related to its driving. The following factors may constitute acts to be considered indicative of "habitation":

1. Evidence of a person entering and exiting the vehicle;
2. Connection of the vehicle to sewer, water, or electrical systems;
3. Use of a power generator;
4. Accessory structures about the vehicle;
5. Illumination of the interior of the vehicle;
6. Window masking;
7. Expanded bays "pop-outs."

"Recreational vehicle" or "RV" means a vehicular-type unit primarily designed as temporary living quarters for recreational, camping, travel or seasonal use that either has its own motive power or is mounted on, or towed by, another vehicle. The basic types of RV entities are: camping trailer, fifth wheel trailer, motor home, park trailer, travel trailer, truck camper, and tiny house trailer which are individually defined as follows:

1. "Fifth wheel trailer" is a vehicular unit, mounted on wheels, designed to provide temporary living quarters for recreational, camping or travel use, of such size or weight as not to require special highway movement permit(s), of gross trailer area not to exceed four hundred (400) square feet (37.2m<sup>2</sup>) in the set-up mode, designed to be towed by a motorized vehicle that contains a towing mechanism that is mounted above or forward of the tow vehicle's rear axle.
2. "Motor home" is a vehicular unit designed to provide temporary living quarters for recreational, camping or travel use, built on or permanently attached to a self-propelled motor vehicle chassis or on a chassis cab or van that is an integral part of the completed vehicle.
3. "Park trailer" is a recreational vehicle that meets the following criteria:
  - a. Built on a single chassis mounted on wheels;
  - b. Having a gross trailer area not exceeding four hundred (400) square feet in the set-up mode;
  - c. Certified by the manufacturer as complying with ANSI A119.5.
4. "Travel trailer" is a vehicular unit, mounted on wheels, designed to provide temporary living quarters for recreational, camping or travel use, of such size or weight as not to require special highway movement permits when towed by a motorized vehicle, and of gross trailer area less than three hundred twenty (320) square feet (29.7m<sup>2</sup>).
5. "Truck camper" is a portable unit constructed to provide temporary living quarters for recreational, travel or camping use, consisting of a roof, floor and sides, designed to be loaded onto and unloaded from the bed of a pickup truck.
6. "Tiny house trailer" is a portable housing unit built on or permanently attached to a single chassis mounted on wheels or on a trailer and constructed to provide temporary living quarters for recreational, travel or seasonal use, consisting of a roof, floor and sides.

**Habitation of any parked or stored RV shall be prohibited, with the following exceptions:**

1. Exceptions:

- a. When the RV is situated in an approved RV or trailer park;
- b. Vacation usage as defined in SMC section 15.15.030;
- c. When a valid conditional use permit is obtained for RV habitation in conjunction with construction in accordance with subsection B of this section.
- d. With a valid habitation permit approved by the Permitting Official.

**Habitation of RVs other than that of vacation usage shall conform to Municipality of Skagway Life-Safety Standards:**

All recreational units shall meet NFPA 1192 Standards on Recreational Vehicles.

Upon filing of an approved inspection report, recreational units shall have posted in a conspicuous location a current year annual municipal RV safety habitation permit certificate or sticker.

**Standards for connection to utilities:**

Legally parked or stored RVs must be connected to an approved source of electricity in conformance with the adopted building and safety codes referenced under section 15.15.080 Compliance with other laws and regulations. Except for legally established RV parks, direct water and sewer connections cannot be made to hook up to any RV unless permitted by an approved use permit. Additionally, propane tanks must be shut off and disengaged from the RV when stored. Vacation usage, as defined in 15.15.030, shall not be construed to allow temporary servicing of the RV with water or sewer connections. No generator may be used in any RV in the municipality unless it is for temporary servicing or during a lapse of electrical power in the area in which the RV is located.

**Fees, enforcement and penalties:**

This chapter shall be enforced by the borough manager or his designee.

The assembly may by resolution establish fees to be paid by applicants for any type of inspection, permit, approval or other municipal processing under this chapter.

Except where otherwise specifically stated, violations of provisions of this chapter shall be noncriminal infractions, subject to a penalty of one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00). Each day of continuing noncompliance, following the municipality's issuance of a notice of noncompliance, shall be a separate violation.