



Periodic Review / Retain Regulation Agency Background Document

Agency name	Virginia Department of Health
Virginia Administrative Code (VAC) citation	12 VAC 5-450
Regulation title	Rules and Regulations Governing Campgrounds
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This form is used when the agency has done a periodic review of a regulation and plans to retain the regulation without change. This information is required pursuant to Executive Orders 36 (2006) and 58 (1999).

Legal basis

Please identify the state and/or federal legal authority for the regulation, including (1) the most relevant law and/or regulation, and (2) promulgating entity, i.e., agency, board, or person.

These regulations are authorized by §35.1-11 and §35.1-17 of the Code of Virginia. The State Board of Health is the entity that promulgated these regulations.

Alternatives

Please describe all viable alternatives for achieving the purpose of the existing regulation that have been considered as part of the periodic review process. Include an explanation of why such alternatives were rejected and why this regulation is the least burdensome alternative available for achieving the purpose of the regulation.

These regulations are mandated by §35.1-11 of the Code of Virginia.

Public comment

Please summarize all comments received during the public comment period following the publication of the Notice of Periodic Review, and provide the agency response. Please indicate if an informal advisory group was formed for purposes of assisting in the periodic review.

Commenter	Comment	Agency response

No comments were received.

Effectiveness

Please indicate whether the regulation meets the criteria set out in Executive Order 36, e.g., is necessary for the protection of public health, safety, and welfare, and is clearly written and easily understandable.

The regulations were reviewed and were determined to be essential to protect public health, safety and welfare. The regulations were also deemed to be clearly written and easily understandable.

Result

Please state that the agency is recommending that the regulation should stay in effect without change.

The current regulations appear to do an adequate job of protecting public health minimal intrusion on the lives of the campground operators and owners. No pressing needs were identified as needing to be changed in the regulations.

Family impact

Please provide an analysis of the regulation’s impact on the institution of the family and family stability.

These regulations have little impact on family life and family stability for Virginia citizens. However, they do provide a level of public health, safety and welfare protection for those families who utilize campgrounds in Virginia.