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Final Regulation Agency Background Document

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Regulation title(s)	Rules and Regulations Governing Campgrounds
Action title	Amend Campground Regulations following Periodic Review
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This information is required for executive branch review and the Virginia Registrar of Regulations, pursuant to the Virginia Administrative Process Act (APA), Executive Orders 17 (2014) and 58 (1999), and the *Virginia Register Form, Style, and Procedure Manual*.

Brief summary

Please provide a brief summary of the proposed new regulation, proposed amendments to the existing regulation, or the regulation proposed to be repealed. Alert the reader to all substantive matters or changes. If applicable, generally describe the existing regulation.

The Rules and Regulations Governing Campgrounds (Regulations) are unchanged since their initial promulgation in 1971. Significant changes in the camping industry over the past 40 years have rendered the current regulations outdated; these include the size and duration of camping events, and the types of camping now popular. The intent of this regulatory action is to amend the Regulations to address current camping practices, update terminology, and remove and replace outdated requirements. The goals are to increase consistency and understanding in the campground program, reduce the number of requests the Virginia Department of Health (VDH) receives to waive the regulatory requirements, and apply current public health practices industry-wide to promote public safety and reduce burdensome regulatory oversight.

Acronyms and Definitions

Please define all acronyms used in the Agency Background Document. Also, please define any technical terms that are used in the document that are not also defined in the “Definition” section of the regulations.

APA- Administrative Process Act
RV- Recreational vehicle
VDH – Virginia Department of Health

Statement of final agency action

Please provide a statement of the final action taken by the agency including: 1) the date the action was taken; 2) the name of the agency taking the action; and 3) the title of the regulation.

The final amendments to the Rules and Regulations Governing Campgrounds were approved by the State Board of Health on November 30, 2017.

Legal basis

Please identify the state and/or federal legal authority to promulgate this proposed regulation, including: 1) the most relevant citations to the Code of Virginia or General Assembly chapter number(s), if applicable; and 2) promulgating entity, i.e., agency, board, or person. Your citation should include a specific provision authorizing the promulgating entity to regulate this specific subject or program, as well as a reference to the agency/board/person’s overall regulatory authority.

The Board of Health has general authority to promulgate regulations pursuant to Virginia Code § 35.1-11, which states the Board shall make, adopt, promulgate, and enforce regulations necessary to carry out the provisions of this title and to protect the public health and safety. The regulations of the Board specifically governing campgrounds pursuant to Virginia Code § 35.1-17 shall include minimum standards for drinking water, sewage disposal, solid waste disposal, maintenance, vector and pest control, toilet and shower facilities, swimming facilities, control of animals and pets, procedures and safeguards for hazardous situations, maintenance and sale of propane gas, and procedures for obtaining a permit. Additionally, VDH may also establish classes of campgrounds and concomitant requirements for each as authorized by Virginia Code § 35.1-17.B.

Purpose

Please explain the need for the new or amended regulation. Describe the rationale or justification of the proposed regulatory action. Describe the specific reasons the regulation is essential to protect the health, safety or welfare of citizens. Discuss the goals of the proposal and the problems the proposal is intended to solve.

Amending the Regulations is essential to protect the health and safety of visitors to the Commonwealth’s campgrounds. The definition of a campground (contained in the Virginia Code § 35.1-1) requires an owner to comply with the Regulations when three or more designated campsites are intended for occupancy for periods of overnight or longer. However, festivals and short-term outdoor events are

popular and draw large attendance, and temporary camping is often provided. Attempting to meet the requirements of the existing Regulations for these short-term events has proven burdensome to property owners, and public health and safety can be protected with other controls in place. In order for these festivals and related events to proceed under the current regulations without undue hardship, waivers must be granted by the Commissioner. The Commissioner granted 44 waivers to allow for temporary camping throughout the Commonwealth in 2015, 41 in 2016, and 35 so far in 2017. Processing waiver requests drains limited staff resources away from mandated services provided by VDH, and can lead to regulatory inconsistency. Creating new requirements in the Regulations to govern short-term events will provide needed consistency and minimize waiver requests.

Primitive camping is characterized by the absence of modern conveniences. Requirements to provide numbered campsites, drinking water, solid waste disposal, and service buildings with modern sanitary facilities for all types of primitive camping is not only an undue hardship placed upon campground owners, but these features are also not desired by all campers. By creating an allowance in the Regulations for primitive camping, campers will be permitted to provide their own water supply or means of garbage disposal when camping at certain campgrounds, and primitive campgrounds will not be required to provide numbered sites or flush toilets. Creating distinct provisions for primitive camping areas will be less burdensome on campground owners, while still protecting public health and safety.

The Regulations currently do not require campground operators to have an emergency response plan in place. Campgrounds, having few or no permanent structures, can be high risk areas during natural disasters or other weather-related emergency events. The final amendments will better protect the safety of campers in Virginia by requiring campground operators to compose and maintain an emergency response plan that prepares for camper safety and potential evacuation, promotes availability of emergency contact information for campers, and prepares for the communication of emergency response information to campers.

The Regulations currently do not contain provisions for cabins and other lodging units at campgrounds. In the absence of standards, some health districts are permitting cabins at campgrounds under a hotel permit, but this practice is not uniformly applied throughout the Commonwealth. By creating health and safety standards for cabins and other rental units at campgrounds, the final amendments will standardize requirements and ensure equal health and safety protection for all campers who rent cabins or other lodging units at campgrounds in Virginia.

Substance

Please briefly identify and explain the new substantive provisions, the substantive changes to existing sections, or both.

- 1) Creates a new section, and repeals and replaces certain sections related to enforcement, penalties, constitutionality, and exemptions to comply with the APA.
- 2) Revises definition section for clarity, removes several definitions not needed or used elsewhere in the regulation, and adds a definition for "Sanitary facilities", "Operator", and "Permit Holder".
- 3) Revises the description of campground permits to include temporary camping permits, and establishes minimum requirements for campground inspection.
- 4) Adds a requirement for campgrounds utilizing private wells to test for coliform bacteria and nitrates on an annual basis.
- 5) Reorganizes provisions for sewage disposal and sanitary facilities for clarity.
- 6) Creates a new section of the Regulations that describes provisions for cabins and other lodging units.
- 7) Creates a requirement for emergency preparedness planning.

- 8) Creates a new section of the Regulations to address primitive campgrounds with exemptions and replacement requirements that will protect public health and safety.
- 9) Creates a new section of the Regulations to address temporary camping events with exemptions and replacement requirements that will protect public health and safety.

Issues

Please identify the issues associated with the proposed regulatory action, including: 1) the primary advantages and disadvantages to the public, such as individual private citizens or businesses, of implementing the new or amended provisions; 2) the primary advantages and disadvantages to the agency or the Commonwealth; and 3) other pertinent matters of interest to the regulated community, government officials, and the public. If there are no disadvantages to the public or the Commonwealth, please indicate.

The primary advantage of the Regulations to the public is that they protect visitors to the Commonwealth’s campgrounds by reducing the risk of illness and injury at these facilities. These amendments will make the Regulations more understandable, and more flexible for the types of camping now popular in the Commonwealth. The primary advantage to the agency is that the Regulations will be more understandable, and will allow local health departments to permit temporary camping without requiring applicants to receive waivers from the Commissioner. The primary advantage to the regulated community is that the Regulations will now allow both temporary camping and expanded exemptions for primitive camping, as well as clearly understandable standards for cabins. There will be no disadvantages to the public or the Commonwealth with the adoption of these regulations.

Requirements more restrictive than federal

Please identify and describe any requirement of the proposal which is more restrictive than applicable federal requirements. Include a rationale for the need for the more restrictive requirements. If there are no applicable federal requirements or no requirements that exceed applicable federal requirements, include a statement to that effect.

There are no requirements that exceed applicable federal requirements; there are no federal requirements that apply to campgrounds that are not located on federal lands.

Localities particularly affected

Please identify any locality particularly affected by the proposed regulation. Locality particularly affected means any locality which bears any identified disproportionate material impact which would not be experienced by other localities.

There are no localities which bear any identified disproportionate material impacts that would not be experienced by other localities.

Family impact

Please assess the impact of this regulatory action on the institution of the family and family stability including to what extent the regulatory action will: 1) strengthen or erode the authority and rights of

parents in the education, nurturing, and supervision of their children; 2) encourage or discourage economic self-sufficiency, self-pride, and the assumption of responsibility for oneself, one's spouse, and one's children and/or elderly parents; 3) strengthen or erode the marital commitment; and 4) increase or decrease disposable family income.

The impact of the proposed regulatory action on the institution of the family and family stability is from the perspective of the availability of safe recreational activity, in the form of camping, in the Commonwealth of Virginia. The goal of the regulatory revision is to provide for public health and safety at a wide variety of campground types throughout Virginia. Risks to public health and safety could impact the family and family stability by affecting a family's disposable income in the event of camping-related medical care costs, disease or injury-related absences from school or the workplace, and mental, physical, and emotional pain and suffering. By establishing revised regulatory guidelines for safe and healthy camping in Virginia, the agency is encouraging citizens and visitors to take advantage of the widely-recognized benefits of experiencing the outdoors and the natural beauty in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

Changes made since the proposed stage

*Please list all changes that made to the text of the proposed regulation and the rationale for the changes; explain the new requirements and what they mean rather than merely quoting the proposed text of the regulation. *Please put an asterisk next to any substantive changes.*

Section number	Requirement at proposed stage	What has changed	Rationale for change
12VAC5-450-10	Definitions Section	The definition of "Campground" was amended for grammar and to reorder words in a list, the definition of "Permit" was amended for grammar, the definitions of "Permit holder" and 'Sanitary facilities' were added, the definition of "Primitive campsites" was amended, and the definition of "Self-contained camping unit" and "Sewage" were amended for word choice and to improve clarity.	The definitions for "Campgrounds", "Permit", "Self-contained camping unit", and "Sewage" were amended for grammar and word choice to improve clarity; no meanings were fundamentally changed in these amendments. Changes in word sequence in the definition of "campground" paralleled a proposed-stage change to put Code of Virginia citations in numerical order. The definitions for "Permit holder" and "Sanitary facilities" were added, as the terms are used frequently in the regulation. The definition of "Primitive campsites" was amended to ensure that campsites would not be prohibited from designation as primitive due to the presence of

			one or a few modern conveniences.
12VAC5-450-30	Section requires the submission and approval of plans by a campground and criteria for such approval.	Language was added to require plan submittals to designate who will be applying for the permit, language was added to require VDH to notify an applicant of their APA rights in any plan review disapproval, and minor other edits were made for clarity.	Having the plan review designate the person who will apply for the permit allows VDH to properly address any plan review approval or disapproval; as applicants may be owner or operators. APA language was added to be consistent with that used in the permit denial section (12VAC5-450-40) in order to improve APA compliance of VDH correspondence.
12VAC5-450-40	Section outlines when a permit is required, the manner in which a permit is approved or revoked, and permit validity periods.	The phrase "or offer campsites for occupancy" was removed, a reference to the Code of Virginia was added, and grammar edits were made.	The phrase "or offer campsites for occupancy" was removed from this section to clarify that permits are only required for campgrounds as defined by the regulation (three or more campsites). A reference to a Code of Virginia section was added for completeness.
12VAC5-450-60	Section outlines the agency's enforcement process including but not limited to notice of taking adverse actions and hearings.	The phrase "and begin corrective action" was struck.	This phrase established a regulatory requirement for a former permit holder to correct violations after a permit suspension; the permit holder should be able to not operate a campground (as an alternative to correcting violations).
12VAC5-450-80	Section provides the terms by which a campground shall provide water to the public.	"Certified" was replaced by "accredited". Language describing water systems was revised to better reflect the intended meaning of the subsection. A requirement for a do not drink sign was added to the subsection on unapproved water source outlets. Other minor edits were made for word choice and clarity.	Language was added to subsection C to clarify that the water systems that are not part of a permitted waterworks must comply with subsection C. Unapproved water sources should be signed as do not drink. This requirement is already in place in this regulation for dump station wash down outlets, and is often also

			required by the building official.
12VAC5-450-90	Section provides the terms by which a campground shall address disposal of bulk sewage and liquid wastes.	A provision was added to exempt dump stations from the 12VAC5-610 Sewage handling and Disposal Regulations requirements for a special pump and haul permit, and to exempt campgrounds from dump station requirements if they provide direct sewer connections at all campsites that allow RVs. Other minor edits were made for consistency of terminology.	The requirements for special pump and haul permits can be burdensome and expensive, and require local governments to assume responsibility for the pump and haul operation. As a result, these permits are often difficult to obtain. RV sewage is also extremely high strength waste, often contributing to premature failure of onsite sewage disposal systems. RVs at campsites with direct connections empty their tanks at their campsite as they generate waste, eliminating the need for a dump station.
12VAC5-450-100	Section establishes the criteria for sanitary facilities.	The statement regarding the optional provision of showers and lavatories was moved from the table to the text, the word "section" was replaced with "portion", and language was clarified to improve the use of the term "sanitary facilities". The section on campsites exempt from the total used for facility counts was edited to clarify that only directly-connected sites with existing sewer connections or septic systems are exempt.	"Section" was replaced by "portion" to clarify that the text is referring to a part of a campground, not a section of regulation. Only sites with direct sewer connections for RVs or cabins with bathrooms should not count towards the total number of campsites used to determine how many sanitary facilities are required at a campground.
12VAC5-450-110	Section outlines the structural requirements for service buildings.	"Water closets" was replaced by "toilets".	This edit was made to ensure consistency of terminology throughout the regulation.
12VAC5-450-115	Section outlines standards for cabins and other rental units at campgrounds.	The phrases "lodging units" is removed, and clarifications are made on the conditions of kitchenware washing and whether the section applies to free or fee-rented units. The word "rental" was replaced by the word "camping".	Revisions were made to reduce the amount of similar terms (rental unit, lodging unit, camping unit) used in the section. The language was edited to make clear that the requirements of the section pertain to units

			even if they are 'rented' for free, and that the reference to washing kitchenware means washing by the campground staff.
12VAC5-450-130	Section establishes what insect, rodent and weed control is required of campgrounds.	Minor word choice edits were made, and a statement was added to address infestations of pests of public health importance.	Edits were made for consistency in terminology throughout the regulations. Statement on infestations was added to address the difference between rodents and insects commonly and acceptably found at campgrounds (e.g. squirrels and butterflies) and those of public health concern (e.g. rats, cockroaches)
12VAC5-450-140	Section states swimming pools shall be subject to the Board's regulations.	The word "the" was inserted.	Section was amended to correct grammar.
12VAC5-450-150	Section outlines the safety requirements at a campground.	"National Electric Code" was replaced by "Virginia Statewide Building Code"	The currently-adopted version of the Virginia Statewide Building Code does not always reflect the most current National Electric Code; standards should match the building code.
12VAC5-450-170	Section requires the control of animals and pets at a campground.	"campsite" was replaced by "campground".	Revision was made for clarity, using a defined term.
12VAC5-450-180	Section prohibits the use of unapproved overflow areas.	"health" was stricken.	The text used the phrase "health permit"; "permit" is correct and succinct.
12VAC5-450-183	Section establishes standards and exemptions for primitive campsites.	Minor changes were made for word choice, and the signage statement was revised. The phrase "or any combination thereof" was inserted.	Edits were made for consistency in language and to ensure that campsites would not be prohibited from designation as primitive due to the presence of one or a few modern conveniences
12VAC5-450-187	Section establishes standards and exemptions for temporary campgrounds.	"Portable privies" was changed to "portable toilets" throughout, minor edits made for word choice and clarity, two subsections of referenced regulation were edited to reflect current subsection designations, and the requirement for provision of portable showers	Two subsection references were no longer correct. The requirement for portable showers and sinks at temporary events was removed; to date, no permanent campground

		and sinks at events longer than four days was removed. A list of specific Code of Virginia sections was removed.	has been required to have showers or sinks. The specific Code section references were removed for simplicity, as the text now refers to the entire pertinent Title (54.1)
12VAC-450-190	Section outlines procedures for obtaining variances to the regulation.	Text referring to the procedure for responding to variance requests was replaced to better reflect APA requirements and standard procedure.	The text was revised for clarity, and to mirror language used in other environmental regulations of the Board, specifically, 12VAC5-421, Food Regulations.

Public comment

Please summarize all comments received during the public comment period following the publication of the proposed stage, and provide the agency response. If no comment was received, please so indicate. Please distinguish between comments received on Town Hall versus those made in a public hearing or submitted directly to the agency or board.

Commenter	Comment	Agency response
Ray Barker, Virginia Campground Association President	I have had suggestions from other colleagues that feel that the NFPA 1194 Standard for Recreational Vehicle Parks and Campgrounds should possibly be incorporated into the regulations we are updating. *comment received via email to Olivia McCormick, Campground Program Manager	Upon review, most or all of the material covered by the NFPA 1194 Standard for recreational Vehicle Parks and Campgrounds is already included in the amended regulation. Exceptions include example standard campsite orientations and other schematic material that would not be appropriate for a regulatory text, or would not be covered under the authority of the Board.

All changes made in this regulatory action

Please list all changes that are being proposed and the consequences of the proposed changes. Describe new provisions and/or all changes to existing sections. Explain the new requirements and what they mean rather than merely quoting the proposed text of the regulation

Current section number	Proposed new section number, if applicable	Current requirement	Proposed change and rationale
12VAC5-450-10	None	Definitions Section	The following definitions were amended to provide clarity to the regulations and ensure consistency in relation to agency practices and the terminology used throughout the regulation: "Approved",

			<p>“Campgrounds”, “Camping Unit”, “Campsite”, “Health Commissioner”, “Permit”, “Person”, “Self-contained camping unit”, “Service building”, and “Sewage”. Definitions for “Operator”, “Permit holder”, and “Sanitary facilities” were added, as these terms are used frequently in the regulation. The definition of “Primitive camps” was amended (now “Primitive campsites”) to ensure that campsites would not be prohibited from designation as primitive due to the presence of one or a few modern conveniences. The following definitions were removed as they were not substantively used in the rest of the regulation: “Non-self-contained camping unit”, “Independent camping unit”, and “Outdoor bathing facilities.” The definition for “Emergency” was removed as its specific defined meaning was no longer applicable to the regulation after the proposed amendments.</p>
None	12VAC5-450-15	None	A new section was added to establish the applicability of the APA on the regulation.
12VAC5-450-30	None	Section requires the submission and approval of plans by a campground and criteria for such approval.	Minor changes were made to reduce wordiness and improve readability. Language was added to specify that plan reviews must designate an intended permit holder to allow VDH to properly address approvals and disapprovals, and outlines that plan approvals for temporary campgrounds will be deferred until the time of permit application, and to require VDH to notify applicants of APA rights in any plan review disapproval.
12VAC5-450-40	None	Section outlines when a permit is required, the manner in which a permit is approved or revoked, and permit validity periods.	The section was modified to include language regarding the appeals process for those permits that were denied, changing the validity period of a permit to an annual renewal and including language regarding the period in which a permit is valid for temporary camping. The phrase “or offer campsites for occupancy” was removed from this section to clarify that permits are only required for campgrounds as defined by the regulation (three or more campsites)
12VAC5-450-50	None	Section outlines the inspection of camping places.	This section was expanded to establish inspection schedules for permanent and temporary campgrounds, with discretion for VDH to alter these schedules on a statewide level. Requirements for inspection reports were added, and requirements for registers were moved to

			section 150. Language regarding the right of inspection was revised for APA compliance.
12VAC5-450-60	None	Section outlines the agency's enforcement process including but not limited to notice of taking adverse actions and hearings.	Amendments to this section clarified language regarding the citation of regulatory violations, remediating such violations, and added language concerning informal fact finding conferences and the Health Commissioner's authority to take action in cases of threats to public health as it pertains to campgrounds. Language was also revised to reflect APA requirements and VDH enforcement policies and procedures. The phrase "and begin corrective action" was struck, as it established a regulatory requirement for a former permit holder to correct violations after a permit suspension; the permit holder should be able to choose to not operate a campground (as an alternative to correcting violations).
12VAC5-450-70	None	Section provides requirements regarding the location of certain structures (constructed and naturally occurring).	Minor changes were made to reduce wordiness and improve readability. Restrictions on campground locations near marshes, swamps, and landfills were revised to only prohibit campgrounds from locating inside these physical features.
12VAC5-450-80	None	Section provides the terms by which a campground shall provide water to the public.	Minor changes were made to reduce wordiness and improve readability. Approved water supplies for campgrounds were clarified as waterworks and, when appropriate, private wells. Provisions for infrastructure were clarified to apply to sources that are not themselves a waterworks, as the infrastructure of waterworks is governed by separate regulations. The revisions established a requirement for private wells serving campgrounds to undergo and pass an annual water test for total coliform bacteria and nitrates, and also prohibit open-bin type ice machines. The required distance between water and sewer connections at individual campsites was increased from five to ten feet to meet Office of Drinking Water requirements for waterworks. A provision was created for existing campgrounds to be exempted from this expanded distance requirement. A requirement for a do not drink sign was added to the subsection on unapproved water source outlets.
12VAC5-450-90	None	Section provides the terms by which a campground shall	Minor changes were made to improve readability and update terminology. This

		address disposal of bulk sewage and liquid wastes.	section was amended to relocate text regarding privies to section 100, as topically they should be addressed as part of the requirements for bathroom facilities. Provisions on greywater disposal were relocated from section 100, as topically they should be addressed alongside dump stations and bulk sewage disposal methods. A provision was added to exempt dump stations from the 12VAC5-610 Sewage handling and Disposal Regulations requirements for a special pump and haul permit, and to exempt campgrounds from dump station requirements if they provide direct sewer connections at all campsites that allow RVs.
12VAC5-450-100	None	Section establishes the criteria for sanitary facilities.	Minor changes were made to reduce wordiness and improve readability. In addition to the rearrangements discussed above, amendments to this section revised the sanitary facility schedule for simplicity. When some campsites have alternate facilities available (such as cabins with indoor plumbing or sites that only serve RVs with direct sewer connections), local health departments may adjust the number of required facilities at the time of permitting instead of through the granting of waivers. Sections were re-ordered to place topically-similar provisions adjacent to one another. Text on privies, relocated from section 90, was amended to restrict portable toilet use at permanent campgrounds to small campgrounds of 30 primitive campsites or less. Requirements for soap and sanitary disposal bins were added.
12VAC5-450-110	None	Section outlines the structural requirements for service buildings.	A requirement was added for doors to exterior service buildings be self-closing, and edits for terminology consistency were made.
None	12VAC5-450-115	None	This new section provides the requirements for cabins and other rental units. The section establishes the terms of maintaining and operating cabins and other rental units. Provisions were created for the sanitation of furniture, cook and dishware, and bedding when provided, the functionality of fire-protection devices when provided, and clearing space of bed arrangements. The requirements to pertain to all camping units offered for use to campers, whether free or for a fee.

12VAC5-450-130	None	Section establishes what insect, rodent and weed control is required of campgrounds.	This section was edited for clarity, consistency of terminology, and the title of a previous regulatory board "Pesticide Control Board", was changed to its current name, "Virginia Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services". Statement on infestations was added to address the difference between rodents and insects commonly and acceptably found at campgrounds (e.g. squirrels and butterflies) and those of public health concern (e.g. rats, cockroaches).
12VAC5-450-140	None	Section states swimming pools shall be subject to the Board's regulations.	The section title was amended to remove "outdoor bathing facilities", as these facilities are not mentioned in the section text, and the applicability of other regulations (12VAC5-460-10 et seq., 12VAC5-462-10 et seq.) was clarified.
12VAC5-450-150	None	Section outlines the safety requirements at a campground.	Text regarding a camper register was relocated from section 50, language was added to require the campground to develop and maintain an emergency response plan. "National Electric Code" was replaced by "Virginia Statewide Building Code", as currently-adopted version of the Virginia Statewide Building Code does not always reflect the most current National Electric Code and standards should match the building code.
12VAC5-450-170	None	Section outlines requires the control of animals and pets at a campground.	This section was amended for clarity and adds "horses" to the list of animals whose facilities are required to be maintained in a sanitary condition, terminology was revised for clarity
12VAC5-450-180	None	Section prohibits the use of unapproved overflow areas.	A Statement was added to clarify intended usage of overflow areas, minor edit for clarity.
None	12VAC5-450-183	None	This new section establishes the provisions for the permitting of a campground or portion of a campground for primitive camping, and lists the exemptions to other parts of this chapter (defined sizes and labeling with number and section, portable water and garbage disposal requirements when campground has ten campsites or less, lavatory and shower requirements, and vegetation control measures) that apply to primitive camping. It also establishes that campsites would not be prohibited from designation as primitive due to the presence of one or a few modern conveniences.

None	12VAC5-450-187	None	This new section lists exemptions to this chapter that apply to temporary campgrounds. These exemptions include density, minimum size, and campsite labeling requirements, portions of the potable water requirements, dump station and slop sink requirements, and requirements for permanent sanitary facilities. Alternative provisions are established to replace the exempted provision areas, which include requirements to ensure safe ingress and egress from campgrounds, allowances to use bottled water for temporary camping events, minimum safety standards for water hauled in from approved sources, provisions for greywater disposal and the removal of sewage from RV holding tanks, and requirements for minimum ratios of campers to portable toilets.
12VAC5-450-190	None	Section outlines the process by which one or more regulations of this chapter may be waived.	Section title and text was amended to replace waiver with variance; this substitution will bring terminology in line with other VDH regulations and reflect that sections may be waived all or in part. Language was added regarding the Health Commissioner's responsibility to issue a case decision regarding a variance request and the named parties' right to appeal under the Administrative Process Act.
12VAC5-450-200	None	This section establishes penalties for regulatory violations.	This section was amended to remove specific fines and state persons who are found in violation of this chapter are subject to penalties under Virginia Code § 35.1-7.
12VAC5-450-210	None	Section referenced the matter if a section of this chapter is found invalid or unconstitutional.	Section repealed.
12VAC5-450-230	None	Section references exemptions to the chapter's regulations.	Section repealed; it described exemptions that expired two years after the effective date of the 1971 regulation.