

# **Council Policy**Temporary Accommodation

## **Purpose**

The purpose of this Policy is to establish guidelines concerning the occupation of temporary accommodation during the construction of a residence and to control the use of caravans as long-term temporary accommodation.

## Scope

This Policy assists Shire of Boddington (Shire) Council members and employees in the exercise of discretion in respect to applications for temporary accommodation.

## **Definitions**

Term	Meaning
Policy	This Shire of Boddington policy titled "Temporary Accommodation."
Temporary accommodation	Refers to the occupation of a caravan only
Caravan	Has the same meaning as the Caravan Parks and Camping Grounds Act 1995
Suitable Ablutions	Refers to shower, toilet and laundry which may either be contained in the caravan or provided for in a shed and are required to be connected to an approved septic system.

#### **Policy Statement**

The following provisions allow for the use of temporary accommodation during the construction of a residence, ensuring appropriate health, safety, and amenity standards are upheld:

- Camping on site is permitted for a period of up to twelve months in a caravan only, provided that suitable ablutions (shower, toilet, hand basin, laundry trough) and septics are erected, and a building permit has been issued for a dwelling on the same lot.
- Extension for a further twelve months, may be considered, dependent on the progress of the construction of the dwelling.
- Ablutions may be contained within the caravan or provided on-site within an approved shed.
- The site is required to remain tidy, and waste be managed responsibly.
- The approval for camping in this policy is limited to the zones of Rural, Rural Residential, and Rural Small Holding, as per Town Planning Scheme No. 3.

Responsible Officer	Executive Manager Planning and Development Services
History	Adopted 30 September 2020 (Resolution 115/20) Amended 23 March 2023 (Resolution 25/23)
Delegation	
Relevant Legislation	Caravan Parks and Camping Grounds Regulations 1997
Related Documentation	Shire of Boddington – Local Planning Scheme No.3