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## Section 21: Definitions

Recreation Campground: A parcel of land used for the parking of camper units or the establishment of overnight living quarters, such as tents or other temporary shelters, and primarily occupied by family groups engaged in travel, recreation or vacation. Such recreation campgrounds <u>may include an accessory event facility consisting of a pavilion or other gathering space used for special events</u> and shall meet all applicable building and health code requirements before it is open to public use. See Section 12.6.

## New Section 4.2.10

As accessory to a principal Recreational Campground use as permitted by Section 4.3.8, a Recreational Campground may include an accessory event facility consisting of a pavilion or other gathering space used for special events such as weddings, family reunions, graduations, bridal showers, baby showers, birthdays, anniversaries, and other similar celebrations. A site plan of the accessory event facility shall be submitted to the Commission for review and approval and shall also comply with the following provisions:

- 1. The lot area of the Recreational Campground must be five (5) acres or more and the accessory event facility must be located within this area.
- 2. Provisions shall be made for adequate parking for the accessory event facility.
  Off-site parking may be utilized to supplement onsite parking provided that means to transport guests to and from off-site parking areas are provided.
- 3. Parking for the accessory event facility may be within a parking area that is surfaced with processed gravel, grass or a similar surface. Said parking area shall be of adequate size so as to provide one (1) parking space for every three (3) anticipated patrons utilizing the accessory event facility. On-street parking is prohibited.
- 4. Parking areas need not be adjacent to the site of the accessory event facility.

  If a parking area is not under common ownership with accessory event facility,
  a written easement or license agreement between the owners granting use of
  the parking area shall be provided to the Commission to satisfy the
  requirements of this subparagraph.
- 5. Alcoholic beverages shall only be consumed at the accessory event facility provided they are furnished by a caterer holding a valid Caterer Liquor Permit issued by the Connecticut Department of Consumer Protection.

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- 6. Use of an accessory event facility may commence at 10 AM and shall terminate not later than 10 PM; provided any activity involving bands, music and/or serving and or use of alcoholic beverages may commence at 11 AM and shall terminate no later than 10 PM.
- 7. Potable water shall be available at the site and sanitation shall be furnished by an onsite sewerage system or by portable restrooms. All water and sanitation systems must satisfy the State Health Code and be approved by the Uncas Health Department.
- 8. Applicants for site plan review may request waivers of specific sections of Section 13 of these regulations provided the sections subject to the waivers do not jeopardize the Commission's ability to determine if the accessory event facility enhances the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of Griswold.
- 9. Should the principal Recreational Campground use be abandoned and/or discontinued, the accessory event facility as provided in this Section 4.2.10 shall be terminated and shall not become the principal use.