

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

DHS 178

The Department of Health Services announces that it will hold public hearings to consider revisions to permanent rule ch. DHS 178, relating to campgrounds, at the times and places shown below.

Hearing Information

Date: February 10, 2015
Time: 9:00 am to Noon
Location: Department of Health Services, Northeastern Regional Office
200 N. Jefferson Street, Rm. 152B
Green Bay, WI 54301-5123

Date: February 11, 2015
Time: 9:00 am to Noon
Location: Department of Health Services, Northern Regional Office
2187 N. Stevens Street, Suite C
Rhinelander, WI 54501

Date: February 12, 2015
Time: 9:00 am to Noon
Location: Department of Health Services, Western Regional Office
610 Gibson Street, Suite 3, Rm. 136
Eau Claire, WI 54701-3687

Date: February 18, 2015
Time: 9:00 am to Noon
Location: Department of Health Services
1 W. Wilson St., Rm. 139
Madison, WI 53703

Date: February 20, 2015
Time: 9:00 am to Noon
Location: Waukesha County Complex
515 W. Moreland Blvd., Rm. 255
Waukesha, WI 53188

Accessibility

Handicap access is available at the hearing locations.

English

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Appearances at the Hearing and Submittal of Written Comments

The rule may be reviewed and comments may be made at adminrules.wisconsin.gov until February 20, 2015, 4:30 p.m.

Initial Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

1. Description of the types of small businesses that will be affected by the rule:

Campgrounds.

2. Description of the proposed reporting, bookkeeping and other procedures required for compliance with the rule:

The proposed rules contain the minimum safety requirements (safe water, availability of toilets, proper waste water disposal, proper disposal of garbage and refuse, fire safety and structural safety) for operating a campground. The department considered the methods under s. 227.114 (2), Stats., for reducing the rule's impact on small businesses but, except as provided below is unable to lessen or exempt small businesses from the requirements of this proposed rule because the campgrounds regardless of size, serves the same camping public who are subjected to the same public, health, or safety issues. There are no bookkeeping requirements in the proposed rule.

When considering the effect of the proposed requirement under s. DHS 178.24 (3) that operators report to the department incidents of serious illness, injury or death related to a campground attribute, the department chose to increase the time required for the reports from the normal three days to seven business days, and include the alternative for submitting the report orally. Additionally, the proposed rule includes an option available to all operators to seek a variance to a rule. This option allows all businesses, including small businesses, the flexibility to be innovative in terms of method, practice, material, equipment or design in meeting the requirements for public health, safety, and welfare.

3. Description of the types of professional skills necessary for compliance with the rule:

No professional skills are necessary for compliance with the proposed rules.

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