



# Caravans Act (Northern Ireland) 1963

## 1963 CHAPTER 17

### LICENSING OF CARAVAN SITES

#### **3 Issue of site licences by district councils.**

- (1) An application for the issue of a site licence in respect of any land may be made by the occupier thereof to the [<sup>F1</sup> district council] in whose [<sup>F1</sup> district] the land is situated.
- (2) An application under this section shall be in writing and shall specify the land in respect of which the application is made; and the applicant shall, either at the time of making the application or within such period as the [<sup>F1</sup> district council] may determine, give to the [<sup>F1</sup> district council] such [<sup>F2</sup> other information as they may reasonably require].
- (3) A [<sup>F1</sup> district council] may on an application under this section issue a site licence in respect of the land if, and only if, the applicant is, at the time when the site licence is issued, entitled to the benefit of a permission for the use of the land as a caravan site [<sup>F3</sup> granted under [<sup>F4</sup>the Planning Act]] .
- (4) If at the date when the applicant duly gives the [<sup>F2</sup> information required by virtue of] sub-section (2) he is entitled to the benefit of such a permission as aforesaid, the [<sup>F1</sup> district council] shall, on the payment by the applicant of a fee of ten pounds, issue a site licence in respect of the land within two months of that date or, if the applicant and the [<sup>F1</sup> district council] agree in writing that the [<sup>F1</sup> district council] shall be afforded a longer period within which to grant a site licence, within the period so agreed.
- (5) If the applicant becomes entitled to the benefit of such a permission as aforesaid at some time after duly giving the [<sup>F2</sup> information required by virtue of] sub-section (2) the [<sup>F1</sup> district council] shall, on the payment by the applicant of a fee of ten pounds, issue a site licence in respect of the land within six weeks of the date on which he becomes so entitled or, if the applicant and the [<sup>F1</sup> district council] agree in writing that the [<sup>F1</sup> district council] shall be afforded a longer period within which to grant a site licence, within the period so agreed.

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- (6) Notwithstanding anything in sub-sections (1) to (5), a [<sup>F1</sup> district council] shall not at any time issue a site licence to a person who to their knowledge has held a site licence which has been revoked in pursuance of this Act less than three years before that time.

**F1** SRO (NI) 1973/285

**F2** 1985 NI 15

**F3** 1991 NI 11

**F4** Words in s. 3(3) substituted (13.2.2015 for specified purposes, 1.4.2015 in so far as not already in operation) by [Planning Act \(Northern Ireland\) 2011 \(c. 25\), s. 254\(1\)\(2\), Sch. 6 para. 1](#) (with s. 211); [S.R. 2015/49, arts. 2, 3, Sch. 1](#) (with [Sch. 2](#) (as amended (16.3.2016) by S.R. 2016/159, art. 2))

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**C1** S. 3(3) modified (13.2.2015 for specified purposes, 1.4.2015 in so far as not already in operation) by [Planning Act \(Northern Ireland\) 2011 \(c. 25\), ss. 169\(7\)\(a\), 254\(1\), \(2\)](#) (with s. 211); [S.R. 2015/49, arts. 2, 3, Sch. 1](#) (with [Sch. 2](#) (as amended (16.3.2016) by S.R. 2016/159, art. 2))

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