



TEMPORARY HOMES

Subordinate Local Law 1.3 “Establishment or Occupation of a Temporary Home 2011”

The establishment or occupation of a Temporary Home on land within the Rockhampton Region requires a completed Temporary Home permit application and payment of the required fees to be submitted to Rockhampton Regional Council Building Unit (Refer to Council website for the fee schedule). Accompanied with the Temporary Home permit, will be the approved Building Permit for the permanent dwelling approved by a Building Certifier.

While the Subordinate Local Law 1.3 “Establishment or Occupation of a Temporary Home 2011” does not provide a definition of what a temporary home is, the following may be used as examples:

- Caravans;
- Bus;
- Mobile home;
- Shed.

Term of Permit

A temporary permit may be granted for a maximum period of up to eighteen (18) months. Typically, temporary home permits are granted for a term of twelve (12) months.

Renewing a Permit

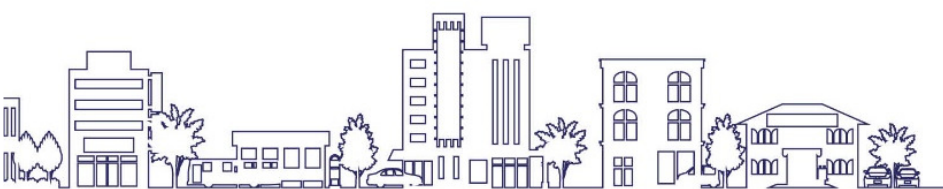
An approval cannot be renewed. However, Council may extend the term of an approval to coincide with the expected completion date of the building work when the application for extension is made and likely to be completed within a reasonable time. The term of the extension cannot be more than six months.

Lodging an Application

When applying for a Temporary Home Permit, you will need to provide:

- Temporary Home Permit Application Form;
- Evidence of the approval for the permanent dwelling from the Building Certifier;
- A site plan showing the location of the temporary and the permanent dwelling building and distance of the dwellings from the boundaries of the property;
- A drawing to scale showing the design and dimensions of the proposed temporary dwelling, including identification of rooms and location of sanitary fixtures;
- A drawing to scale showing the plumbing and drainage for the proposed temporary dwelling;
- Details of adequate means of waste disposal and sanitation to ensure that reasonable standards of health and hygiene can be maintained;
- Details of any other ancillary facilities for the proposed temporary dwelling;
- If the applicant is not the owner of the land on which the temporary dwelling is located, the written consent from the owner is required ;
- Progress chart or similar to indicate expected significant milestones during the process of construction of each of the temporary home and the permanent residence to enable Council to determine an appropriate term for an approval period for this application.

A temporary home is not required when a home is only to be stored on the land or if the home will only be occupied for a period of 3 months cumulatively in a period of 12 months.



Criteria for Granting Permit

The criteria for granting approval for a temporary home are:

- the temporary home will not be occupied as a place of residence permanently or for an indefinite period;
- you propose to either:
 - erect or convert an existing structure into a permanent residence;
 - carry out building work on a permanent residence that will make the residence temporarily unfit to use as a place of residence;
- you will supply an adequate source of potable water to the proposed temporary home;
- you will supply an adequate means of waste disposal and sanitation to maintain reasonable standards of health and hygiene;
- the temporary home will not impact adversely on the owner or occupier of any adjoining land;
- the number of occupants;
- the scheduling for the temporary home and the permanent dwelling must coincide, as the temporary dwelling can only be occupied during the construction phase of the permanent dwelling (requirement for the progress schedule).

Where to Lodge Your Application

Email: developmentadvice@rrc.qld.gov.au

Post: PO Box 1860, Rockhampton QLD 4700

Visit: Development Advice Centre (DAC) or a Council Customer Service Centre.

DAC – Level 2, Walter Reid Cultural Centre,
Corner Derby and East Sts, Rockhampton City

Customer Service Centres:

- Rockhampton Office - City Hall, 232 Bolsover Street, Rockhampton City
- Gracemere Office - 1 Ranger Street, Gracemere
- Mount Morgan Office - 32 Hall Street, Mount Morgan

Refusing a Temporary Home Permit

The request may be refused if the above criteria cannot be fulfilled prior to or during the construction of the permanent dwelling.

Related Websites

Building Act 1975

www.legislation.qld.gov.au

Temporary Home Permit Application Form

<https://www.rockhamptonregion.qld.gov.au/Development-Advice/Forms-and-Fact-Sheets/Forms>

Building Regulation 2006

www.legislation.qld.gov.au

Queensland Building and Construction Commission (QBCC)

www.qbcc.qld.gov.au

