

UTILI-FACTS

RV Parks: Am I Regulated?

Who Should Use This Guide?

This guide is intended to inform owners of recreational-vehicle (RV) parks that some of their activities may be regulated by the Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUC).



This publication is not a substitute for the PUC's rules. You can download the PUC's rules at <http://www.puc.texas.gov/agency/ruleslaws/> in addition to the PUC, local government and other state and federal

agencies may have rules that apply.

Is My RV Park Regulated by the PUC?

If you own or manage an RV park in Texas, you may be regulated by the PUC if you:

- Supply water for drinking, hand washing, dish washing, cooking, or bathing;
- Charge a maintenance fee to customers; or
- Bill customers for water or sewer service.

Is my RV Park Regulated by the TCEQ?

If you own or manage an RV Park in Texas, you may be regulated by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) if you:

- Treat or dispose of wastewater;
- Dispose of Waste; or
- Disturb one acre or more of land during construction.

If you meet any one of the above criteria in this section, please contact the TCEQ's Small Business and Environmental Assistance Division by phone toll free number at 800-447-2827.

Am I a Utility?

If you send a separate bill for water or sewer service to residents for service, then you are a utility. However, if you supply water or sewer service to tenants of rental property and do not charge a separate or additional fee for water or sewer service beyond the rental payment, then you

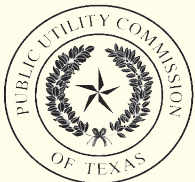
are not a utility.

Utilities are required to have a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity (CCN). The PUC's rules for utilities can be found in Chapter 24 of the PUC's rules.

For basic information on whether and how to establish a new water or sewer utility, please see Chapter 24, Subchapter G of the PUC's rules.

For More Information

- For confidential assistance with the TCEQ's regulations for drinking water, garbage disposal, outdoor burning, or wastewater treatment, or with any other environmental concern, call the TCEQ's Small Business and Environmental Assistance hotline at 800-447-2827, or go to www.TexasEnviroHelp.org
- To report an environmental complaint, you can contact your local law enforcement office, or call the TCEQ's Environmental Complaints reporting line at 888-777-3186. You can also submit a complaint electronically at www.tceq.gov/goto/report_problem



QUESTIONS:

Call: 512-936-7000

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