

To: Planning Board
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Based on our discussion at the last workshop I have put together a revised proposal for dealing with the YMCA camp and other potential camps of a similar nature. I have just called them "camps" in this draft and have revised the potential definition and performance standards.

DEFINITION

Camp:

A facility that provides a combination of programs and facilities primarily for the purpose of providing a supervised outdoor group experience with social, recreational, spiritual, and/or educational objectives for children as well as adults that is used for five (5) or more consecutive days during one or more seasons of the year.

PERFORMANCE STANDARDS FOR CAMPS

Here is a start on possible standards for a camp:

1. The camp shall be licensed by the State of Maine.
2. The primary use of the camp shall be as a "day camp" in which attendees do not sleep over night at the facility.
3. The camp may provide "sleep over" facilities and programs for children provided that these are accessory and subordinate to its role as a day camp.
4. The camp may be used for adult programs and activities provided that such use is accessory and subordinate to its role in serving attendees less than eighteen (18) years of age. Attendees at adult programs and activities may sleep at the facility but such use shall be limited to not more than seven (7) consecutive nights.
5. Sleeping and living facilities may be provided for the staff of the camp but may be occupied only during periods when program attendees are present or when training, maintenance, or similar activities are occurring.
6. The camp may be used for community activities and recreational programs as well as special events including activities that involve occasional overnight stays of less than five (5) consecutive nights.