**Fire Safety – Caravan & Camping Sites**
The Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) order 2005 requires the owners of caravan sites to take action with regards to ensuring fire safety on the site.

a) **Risk Assessment**. The responsible person must make a suitable and

sufficient assessment of the risks to which relevant persons are

exposed for the purpose of identifying the general fire precautions he

 needs to take to comply with the requirements and prohibitions imposed by or

 under the order.

b) Any such assessment must be in writing and reviewed by the responsible person

 regularly so as to keep it up to date.

**As a guide the following is an example of the minimum standards required for the fire safety measures on the caravan site:**

1. No caravan shall be more than 30 metres from a fire point.
2. The fire fighting equipment shall comprise of:

Where water stand pipes are provided and there is a water supply of sufficient pressure and flow to project a jet of water approximately 5 metres from the nozzle, such stand pipes should be situated at each fire point with a reel of small diameter hose, 30 metres minimum length, with a means of connection to the stand pipe by a screw thread, terminating in small hand control nozzle.

Hoses should be housed in a red cover or painted box, marked ‘HOSE REEL’ to protect against frost damage.

Where stand pipes are not provided, or water pressure or flow is not sufficient, each fire point shall be equipped with two 9 litre water extinguishers.

(iii) Each fire point shall be easily accessible and clearly and conspicuously marked "**FIRE POINT**".

(iv) A means of raising an alarm in the event of fire should be provided at each

 fire point. This could be by means of a manually operated sounder, e.g.

 metal triangle with a striker, gong or hand operated alarm. The means of

 raising the alarm must be kept in good working order.

(v) Maintenance

 All alarms and fire fighting equipment shall be tested and maintained in

 working order, by a competent person and be available for inspection by

 the Licensing Authority. A logbook shall be kept to record all tests and

 any remedial action.

(vi) Fire Notices

 A clearly written and conspicuous notice shall be provided and

maintained at each fire point to indicate the action to be taken in case of

fire and the location of the nearest telephone. The notice shall include

the following:

“On discovering a fire”

a) ensure caravan or site building is evacuated

b) raise the alarm

c) call the fire brigade (the nearest telephone is sited…….)

d) attack the fire using the fire fighting equipment provided, if safe to do so.

It is in the interest of all occupiers of this site to be familiar with the above routine and the method of operating the fire alarm and fire fighting equipment.

(vii) Telephones

An immediately accessible telephone shall be available on the site for

calling the emergency services. A notice by the telephone shall include the

address of the site.