

Rating (Caravan Sites) Act 1976

1976 CHAPTER 15

Provisions for England and Wales

2 Information for caravanners about rating of caravan sites mentioned in s. 1

- (1) Where the valuation officer makes a proposal for the alteration of the valuation list in order that an area of a caravan site shall be treated as a single hereditament under section 1(1) above, and there is not already an area of that site so treated, he shall within one month after the date on which the proposal is made give written notice to the site operator stating how many caravans occupied by persons other than the site operator are included in the hereditament proposed to be entered in the valuation list and how much of the rateable value proposed for the hereditament he attributes to those caravans, together with their pitches.
- (2) After receiving a notice under subsection (1) above the site operator shall display a notice on the site from the beginning of April to the end of October in every year so long as the proposal is current or the site or part of it is treated as a single hereditament under section 1(1) above (but starting with the April following the receipt of the notice under subsection (1), if it is received in October), and shall state in the notice so displayed—
 - (a) the part of the site included in the hereditament by the proposal or in the valuation list (or that the whole site is so included);
 - (b) the facts stated in the notice under subsection (1); and
 - (c) the rate in the pound at which the general rate for the rating area is charged under the General Rate Act 1967 in respect of the period during which the notice is for the time being displayed.
- (3) If at any time it appears to the valuation officer, that the facts stated in a notice under subsection (1) above or under this subsection are no longer accurate, he shall give to the site operator a further written notice bringing the facts so stated up to date; and the notice or last notice received by the site operator under this subsection shall after his receipt of it (or, if it is received in October, then from the beginning of the following April) take the place of the notice under subsection (1) for purposes of subsection (2) (b) above.

- (4) The notice required by subsection (2) above shall be displayed at some conspicuous place where it is likely to attract the attention of persons occupying pitches for leisure caravans which are included in the hereditament by the proposal or in the valuation list.
- (5) If so requested by a person occupying any such pitch as aforesaid, the site operator shall give him in writing the information required by subsection (2) above to be given by a notice under that subsection as the subsection would apply at the time of the request if a notice were required to be displayed at all times after receipt of a notice under subsection (1) and to take account of any notice received under subsection (3).
- (6) If a site operator fails without reasonable excuse to display and keep displayed a notice as required by subsections (2) and (4) above, or to give information to a person as required by subsection (5) within one month after a written request from that person, he shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding £50.