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# Mobile Homes Definition

## **An extract from the department of the Environment Housing booklet number 30 “Mobile Homes, A guide for residents and site owners”**

Rural Leisure Limited have supplied and installed Log Cabin Transportable Homes, which have been accepted by many Local Authority Planning Departments as being “A Mobile Home”. Many of these have also been built to building regulations. Due to the contentiousness of this issue, we recommend that the full details are cleared by your Local Authority prior to placing an order. We usually provide a Full set of our working drawings (plans) together with Structural Calculations provided by a Consulting Structural Engineer and can deal with the clearance of these with your local planning office. The cost of doing this would then be knocked-off the cost of our cabin on placement of an order.

The legal definition of a Mobile Home is the same as that for a caravan. Broadly speaking, it covers any structure designed or adapted for people to live in, which is capable of being moved from one place to another (whether being towed or being transported by a motor vehicle or trailer) and any motor vehicle so designed or adapted. This does not include railway stock on a railway line, which is in use, nor tents. It does include twin units separately designed and constructed for assembly on site, provided that the twin unit is physically capable of being moved when assembled (whether being towed or being transported by a motor vehicle or trailer). The twin unit must be no more than 65' 7" (20 metres) long, 22' 3 ½" (6.8 meters) wide and the living accommodation no more than 10 feet (3.05 metres) high internally

Only a court can decide the question of whether any individual mobile home is within this definition finally. Anybody who is not sure whether the definition applies to his mobile home should consult his Local Authority, or Citizens Advice Bureau or seek advice from a solicitor.

Rural Leisure Limited have established precedent in the course of several successful appeals against enforcement action and have experience in establishing the transportability of Log Homes. We have supplied and erected many transportable homes and passed scrutiny of many planning authorities and appeals officers. This experience should give potential customers confidence that we can help you navigate through the tricky legal situations which may potentially arise.

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