

Self-containment Certification with waterless / composting toilets



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The Self-contained Motor Vehicles Legislation Act and Plumbers and Gasfitters Board Self-contained vehicle regulations allows for waterless or composting toilets where the toilets are installed in accordance with the regulations.

- NZ Lifestyle Camping Ltd is approved by the Plumbers, Gasfitters and Drainlayers Board as a NZ wide Certifying Authority for self-containment of motor vehicles (green warrants).
- NZ Lifestyle Camping Ltd continues to be a NZ wide Issuing Authority for self-containment under NZS 5465:2001 (blue warrants).

Following extensive discussion with the Plumbers, gasfitters and Drainlayers Board together with distributors and operators of waterless composting toilets ***NZ Lifestyle Camping*** as an appointed Certifying Authority approves the self-containment certification of vehicles with waterless or composting toilets within our network where the following conditions are met.

- 1) The waterless composting toilet is installed in accordance with the manufacturer's or distributor's instructions.
- 2) The supporting base of the toilet is rigidly mounted on a suitable, hygienic surface (including surrounding area) and does not require removal for emptying. This reduces the risk of any contamination of surrounding surfaces and allows for easy cleaning.
- 3) The waste capacity (solids and liquids) is adequate to meet the occupants needs for a 3 day period. Such capacity may include secondary (sealed) storage.
- 4) The toilet waste is held in a suitable removable container or purpose designed bag that can be easily emptied and replaced without spillage.
- 5) In accordance with the current regulations there are safe and secure facilities for storing and offloading waste.
- 6) The operation of the waterless composting toilet must include a method or system for limiting the release of foul odours to the vehicle interior. Such methods may include the optional air extraction and the use of natural or chemical additives and products designed to reduce odour and assist in breaking down any solid waste product.

Note: Where a specific brand of toilet requires a notice of approval this will be considered by contacting admin@nzlifestylecamping.com . Such notice of approval applies to installations and inspections by NZ Lifestyle Camping Ltd's appointed vehicle testing officers.

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