Checklist For Starting a Campground

Market and Feasibility

- Conduct market research
- Analyze competitor offerings
- Assess location feasibility

Business Planning

- O Develop a detailed business plan
- O Decide on the business structure
- O Plan for initial and ongoing costs

Legal and Regulatory

- O Register the business
- Obtain permits and licenses
- O Comply with regulations

Site Development

- Choose a suitable location
- O Design site layout
- Develop infrastructure

Facilities and Amenities

Safety and Environmental

- Implement safety measures
- O Develop emergency protocols
- Focus on environmental conservation

Marketing and Branding

- Create a brand identity
- O Develop a marketing strategy
- O Build a website and use social media

Operations and Management

- O Set up a booking system
- \bigcirc Hire and train staff
- C Establish maintenance routines

Customer Experience

- O Plan quest activities and events
- Ensure excellent customer service
- O Act on customer feedback
- Plan basic amenities (bathrooms, showers)
- Consider additional facilities (pool, game room, etc.)
- Ensure accessibility standards

Go-to Resources for Starting a Campground

Industry Associations

Kampgrounds of America

ARVC

Operational Tools

- Campground Booking
- ResNexus

Business & Accounting

- ZenBusiness
- Northwest Registered Agent
- FreshBooks
- MyCorporation



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