

17.216.060. - Business license and tax, and transferability.

A. *Business license and tax.*

- ~~1. The owner shall pay all required excise tax per section 3.40.020 of this Code;~~
- ~~2. No owner or local contact person of a short term rental shall rent that vacation home without first applying for and registering the business per section 3.40.060 of this Code;~~
- ~~3. The owner shall comply with all other applicable provisions of chapter 3.40 of this Code;~~
- ~~4. The owner shall obtain a business license for said short term rental and comply with all applicable provisions of title 5 of this Code for business licenses and regulations;~~
- ~~5. A separate business license shall be required for each vacation home used for short term rental;~~
- ~~6. A business license application may be denied if the applicant has had a prior short term rental for the same vacation home revoked within any 12-month period;~~
- ~~7. Additional information required for a business license for a short term rental shall include:
 - ~~(a) The name, address, telephone number, and email address of the local contact person for the short term rental;~~
 - ~~(b) The number of bedrooms and approximate square footage in the short term rental, and the maximum number of overnight and daytime occupants;~~
 - ~~(c) Acknowledgment that the owner and local contact person have read all regulations pertaining to the operation of a short term rental;~~~~

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6. A business license application may be denied if the applicant has had a prior short term rental for the same vacation home or location revoked within 12 months of the application;

7. A business license application will be denied if the property for which the business license is sought is subject to one or more covenants proscribing or restricting the use of the property as a short term rental.

8. The following additional information shall be required to be submitted with each application for a business license for a short term rental:

(a) The name, address, telephone number, and e-mail address of the local contact person for the short term rental;

(b) The number of bedrooms and approximate square footage in the short term rental, and the maximum number of overnight and daytime occupants;

(c) Acknowledgement that the owner and local contact person have read all

regulations pertaining to the operation of a short term rental;

(d) True and correct copies of any and all covenants to which the property sought to be used as a short term rental is subjected, together with a sworn statement on a form prescribed by the County on which the owner and applicant swear under oath that the property is subject to no covenants other than those which have been provided to the County by the owner and applicant.

- B. All business licenses issued pursuant to this chapter are subject to the following standard conditions:
1. The owner or local contact person shall, by written agreement with the responsible person, limit overnight occupancy of the short term rental to the specific number of overnight occupants designated in the business license application;
 2. Prior to permitting occupancy of a short term rental by a transient occupant, the owner or the local contact person shall:
 - (a) Obtain the name, address, and a copy of a valid government identification of the responsible person;
 - (b) Provide information about the short term rental regulations to the responsible person; and
 - (c) Provide and require that such responsible person execute a formal acknowledgement that he or she is legally responsible for compliance by all occupants and/or guests of the vacation home with all applicable laws, rules and regulations pertaining to the use and occupancy of the short term rental.
 3. Parked vehicles:
 - (a) Shall not be parked on the county right-of-way or along any roadways at any time; and

- (b) Shall be parked outdoors on the property only on designated hard surfaced areas with gravel, concrete or asphalt surfacing; and shall not be permitted outside such hard surfaced areas (i.e., no parking in yards or neighbor's properties).
4. The owner and/or local contact person shall use best efforts to ensure that the occupants and/or guests of the short term rental do not violate the noise regulations set forth in title 8 of this Code by notifying the occupants of the rules regarding short term rentals and responding when notified that occupants are violating laws regarding their occupancy. It is not intended that the owner and/or local contact person act as a peace officer or place himself or herself in harm's way;
 5. The owner and/or local contact person shall use best efforts to ensure that the occupants and/or guests of the short term rental do not violate the domestic animal regulations set forth in title 4 of this Code by notifying the occupants of the rules regarding short term rentals and responding when notified that occupants are violating laws regarding their occupancy. It is not intended that the owner and/or local contact person act as a peace officer or place himself or herself in harm's way;
 6. The owner and/or local contact person of the short term rental shall post a copy of the business license and a copy of the conditions set forth in this chapter in a conspicuous place within the short term rental;
 7. All business licenses issued under this chapter shall be valid for no more than one year, beginning on the date of issuance and expiring on December 31st of that year; and
 8. Upon the issuance of a new short term rental business license, or an updated local contact person, or a change in business license name, the county shall mail a notice to all residences within 500 feet of the property line of the short term rental notifying the neighbors that a

short term rental business license has been issued and providing information regarding how to lodge complaints regarding the short term rental, if any.

C. *Transferability.*

1. No business license issued under this section shall be transferred or assigned or used by any person other than the owner or local contact person to whom it is issued, or at any location other than the one for which it is issued.