

## **Y. - Short-Term Rentals.**

### 1. Short-term rental approval.

- a. Short-term rentals must obtain a business license clearance from the Zoning Administrator and register with the Commissioner of Revenue prior to operating or advertising the property for short-term rental.
- b. A short-term owner/operator must apply for and receive a business license clearance prior to registering with the Commissioner of Revenue.
- c. The short-term rental must register with the Commissioner of Revenue to collect and remit the City's transient lodging tax and other applicable fees as specified in Chapter 37 entitled "Taxation."

### 2. Short-term rental standards.

- a short-term rental may only provide short-term occupancy services for compensation for guests including lodging, packaged food and beverages, and other incidental items typically found within a residence. The short-term rental must not prepare food or beverages, provide event services, or provide unrelated services for compensation.
- b. Short-term rentals are permissible accessory uses to permitted dwellings in the SR-R, T-R, S-R, NT-R, OT-R, A-R, MHP-R, TO-C, CB-C, and TW-C zoning districts.
- c. If the owner of a short-term rental does not live within 50 miles of the City, they must designate a responsible local agent to contact in case of emergencies when they apply for the Business License Clearance.
- d. Short-term rentals must comply with applicable provisions of the Virginia Uniform Statewide Building Code (Danville City Code sections 9-81 through 9-88). Including a Certificate of Occupancy for each unit
- e. If a short-term rental is within a City Rental Housing Inspection Division District, then the property must register as a rental property and maintain a certificate of compliance (City Code sections 9-204 through 9-207).
- f. The minimum short-term rental contract rental period is 18 hours.
- g. Short-term rentals are allowed the same signage as their associated dwellings under Article 10.
- h. Short-term rental parking must be on the associated property or on street immediately adjacent to it unless the short-term rental is in the CB-C or TW-C zoning districts.
- i. Units must have a working multi-purpose fire extinguisher, interconnected smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors (when required for a fireplace or gas service).
- j. Units must have an emergency exit plan posted inside the door to each sleeping room showing the exit pathway from the sleeping room to the nearest exit from the dwelling.
- k. Events and activities, including luncheons, banquets, parties, weddings, meetings, fund raising, commercial or advertising activities, and any other gathering of persons other than the authorized lodgers, whether for direct or indirect compensation, are prohibited in association with any short-term lodging.