



SHORT TERM RENTAL FAQs

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What is a Short Term Rental?

A Short Term Rental, sometimes known as a “STR” or “vacation rental” is a legal dwelling unit, or portion of a dwelling unit, that is rented for lodging for up to thirty (30) consecutive nights. It can include an accessory dwelling unit*, a guest house or a cottage. Outbuildings such as agricultural buildings, storage units, cargo containers, farm worker housing, or temporary structures such as tents, RVs, and trailers can’t be used as a Short Term Rental.

I have been operating a Short Term Rental for decades. Do I really need a permit?

An existing vacation rental cannot be “grandfathered in”. **All Short Term Rentals**, regardless of how long they have been in operation, **must have a valid Short Term Rental permit to operate in Curry County.**

Can I operate a Short Term Rental if my property is resource-zoned?

At this time, Curry County is **not** able to permit Short Term Rentals on properties in resource zones, such as Forestry Grazing (FG), Agricultural Zone (AFD), or Timber (T).

What happens if I don’t permit my Short Term Rental?

Operating or advertising a vacation rental without paying the required Transient Lodging Tax (TLT) may result in Failure to Pay penalties from the Oregon Department of Revenue and Curry County.

Do I need to permit my Short Term Rental if it is located inside City Limits?

The Curry County Short Term Rental regulations and permitting requirements only apply to properties in the unincorporated areas of Curry County. Reach out to your City Hall to find out what regulations apply to Short Term Rentals within City limits.

Can I use an Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) as a Short Term Rental?

Yes – but only if the property is within an Urban Growth Boundary. Curry County land use regulations prohibit ADUs (or the associated primary dwelling) being used as a Short Term Rental if they are located outside of the Urban Growth Boundary. *CCZO 4.100(16)*.

Why are Short Term Rentals regulated in Curry County?

The Curry County Board of Commissioners adopted land use permit requirements for vacation rentals in September 2022 due to increasing concerns from citizens and neighborhoods experiencing negative impacts from vacation rentals.