District of Columbia Municipal Regulations

9903 ISSUANCE AND RENEWAL OF LICENSE

- A short-term rental license endorsement shall not be issued to any person or entity other than to a host.
- The presence of more than one short-term rental at the host's primary residence shall not require separate license endorsements.
- A host shall not be issued more than one "Short-Term Rental" endorsement or "Short-Term Rental: Vacation Rental" endorsement. However, a host may hold both a "Short-Term Rental" endorsement and a "Short-Term Rental: Vacation Rental" endorsement simultaneously.
- A host may offer multiple short-term rentals at the host's primary residence, such as a bedroom and an in-law suite, subject to all applicable occupancy limits contained in Title 11, Title 12, and Title 14 of the District of Columbia Municipal Regulations.
- A host shall not be issued a short-term rental license endorsement if prohibited by Title 11 of the District of Columbia Municipal Regulations.
- An inspection of the premises by the Department shall not be a prerequisite for issuance of a short-term rental license endorsement. Nothing in this chapter shall be construed to limit the right of the Department to inspect any licensed premises for compliance as authorized by law.
- 9903.7 A short-term rental license endorsement shall be valid for a period of two (2) years from the date of issuance. Upon expiration of the two (2) year period, a short-term rental license endorsement shall be automatically renewed upon payment of the license fee established in 17 DCMR § 518 and 17 DCMR § 519, unless the Department determines that the host is not in compliance with the requirements set forth in this Chapter. A host must update any information required under § 9902.2 that has changed in his or her application.
- A short-term rental license endorsement is issued for transient guest bookings of thirty (30) or fewer continuous nights. Transient guest bookings of more than thirty (30) continuous nights are not covered by a short-term rental license endorsement; however, another license endorsement will be required under D.C. Official Code § 47-2851 et seq.

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