

Vacation Rental Registration Enforcement

In order to strengthen enforcement of non-compliant vacation rentals, staff recommends the below modifications of Article X - Vacation Rentals of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Fort Lauderdale:

The majority of complaints staff receives regarding registered vacation rentals are related to noise, parking, and maximum occupancy. Staff believes that the below modifications to the maximum occupancy requirements will have a positive impact on the reduction of noise and parking complaints due to the improvement of staff's ability to identify transient occupants authorized to stay overnight versus guests that are gathering.

- Section 15-278(2) Maximum Occupancy should include the following:
 - The table below outlines the maximum occupants permitted to gather at the vacation rental. This number will correlate to the maximum occupants on the certificate of compliance.

Number of bedrooms	Max number of occupants	Max number of guests
1	2	3
2	4	6
3	6	9
4	8	12
5	10	10
6	12	8
7	14	6
8	16	4
9	18	2
10	20	0
The limit of occupants, including guests, shall not exceed 20 at any time.		
Maximum occupants include both occupants and guests but does not include up to 4 persons under 13 years of age.		

- A requirement for a placard to be placed in the front window or in a plainly visible location at the front entrance of the vacation rental.
- A requirement that the maximum number of occupants that the City approves be included in the vacation rental/lease agreement.
- Establish a time (suggested 9:00 p.m.) that all guests of vacation rental occupants must leave the premises or go indoors.

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