

Town of Front Royal
Department of Planning and Zoning
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Permit #: _____
Fee Amount: \$1200.00
Date Paid: _____
Date Received: _____

SPECIAL USE PERMIT REQUEST FOR SHORT TERM RENTAL

APPLICANT:

NAME: _____ PHONE: _____
ADDRESS _____
E-MAIL _____

PROPERTY OWNER:

NAME: _____ PHONE: _____
ADDRESS _____
E-MAIL _____

PROPERTY DESCRIPTION:

PROPERTY ADDRESS _____
TAX MAP _____ SECTION _____ BLOCK _____ LOT _____
SUBDIVISION NAME _____
ZONING DISTRICT _____ ACREAGE _____
SPECIFIC SPECIAL USE PERMIT REQUEST _____

- ☐ Whole house rental ☐ Partial rental, # of rooms rented _____
☐ Primary Residence ☐ Secondary Residence

ATTACHMENTS: The following must be submitted with the application. Additional information may be required depending on the nature of the request.

- ☐ Survey plat or sketch to scale of property showing all **existing** improvements, parking and refuse area and property boundaries.
☐ Provide a map of area attractions
☐ Provide proof that notification to operate was sent to the HOA, if applicable.
☐ Complete management plan.
☐ Written consent given to the Town to inspect for compliance.
☐ Emergency dwelling evacuation diagram (posted in each bedroom)
☐ Application fee of \$1200.00

IN CASE OF AN EMERGENCY

If there is an emergency, or there are questions in regard to the property, please contact (owner) _____
at (phone number) _____ or (property manager) _____
at (phone number) _____.

If the emergency requires immediate assistance, please call the following or 911.

Front Royal Police Department: 540-635-2111 or 911, 900 Monroe Ave, Front Royal, VA 22630

Front Royal Fire Department: 540-635-2540 or 911, 221 N Commerce Ave, Front Royal, VA 22630

****If no answer please call the Warren County Sheriff's Department:** 540-635-4128 or 911

Front Royal Fire & Rescue: 540-635-3830 or 911, 200 Skyline Vista Drive, Front Royal, VA 22630

Warren Memorial Hospital: 540-636-0300 or 911, 351 Valley Health Way, Front Royal, VA 22630

Electrical Outage: 540-635-3027, 1101 Manassas Avenue, Front Royal, VA 22630. Outages may be reported online at <https://www.frontroyalva.com/FormCenter/Energy-Services-6/Report-Electric-Problem-46>.

Emergency/afterhours 540-635-2111

OCCUPANCY

The Special Use Permit limits the occupancy for this short-term rental at _____ People and _____ Bedrooms.

NOISE

It shall be a violation of Chapter 106 of the Front Royal Town Code for any person, without compelling reason, to make noise that by reason of its volume, pitch, duration, or repetition, considering the time of day, is likely to disturb the rest of any person of ordinary sensibilities or interfere with such person's lawful and peaceful enjoyment of property owned or rented by him.

PARKING

Minimum available parking is _____ vehicle(s) in the driveway.

TRASH AND RECYCLING

All trash and recycling shall be placed in containers provided by the owner.

- Trash receptacles are located (Clarify location of trash bags and receptacles)

- Trash is collected (State the day of the week trash is picked up by the Town and where the container is to be placed on trash day)

CHECK-IN & CHECK-OUT

Provide details

WIFI/PHONE/ETC

Provide details for special amenities if available

SPECIFIC PROPERTY DETAILS

Provide details regarding acreage, landscape, property boundaries (no trespassing notice), unique characteristic, warnings, kitchen use, house amenities, HVAC, etc.

AREA ATTRACTIONS

Provide a map of area attractions

- Attractions: i.e., Shenandoah National Park, Shenandoah River State Park, Skyline Caverns, Golf Courses, Canoe Companies
- Groceries & Convenience: i.e., Walmart, Target, Martins, CVS
- Restaurants
- Wineries & Breweries

SPECIFIC PROPERTY REGULATIONS

May be dictated by approved conditions or owner preference, examples below

- No shooting of firearms
- No outdoor fire burning
- No fireworks

As per Town Code Chapter 175-3 “Definitions”

Short-term rental- means the provision of a room or space that is suitable for, intended for occupancy for dwelling, sleeping, or lodging purposes, for a period of fewer than 30 consecutive days, in exchange for a charge for the occupancy. Any residential use that falls within the definition of short-term rental as defined in § 15.2-983, as amended, of Virginia State Code.

Short-term rental facility – A building or accessory structure, other than a hotel, motel, or bed-and-breakfast home, where lodging is provided for compensation on a short-term basis, and open to the public or transient guests. The maximum number of occupants shall not exceed ten (10) unless determined appropriate by Town Council.

Short-term rentals shall be permitted in all Zoning Districts by Special Use Permit and shall at a minimum meet the following requirements:

- A. The short-term rental owner of a dwelling unit to be used for a short-term rental shall apply for a Special Use Permit through the Department of Planning and Zoning and receive approval from Town Council prior to utilizing the dwelling unit as a short-term rental. Town Council may impose conditions necessary to mitigate adverse effects of the use on neighboring properties.
- B. The one-time application fee shall be \$1200.00.
- C. Staff will conduct an inspection prior to the issuance of the Special Use Permit approval. Additional inspections will be conducted on a complaint basis to ensure compliance with the performance standards listed in this section, along with any additional conditions imposed by Town Council, if applicable.
- D. The maximum number of occupants in the dwelling unit shall be determined by the number of bedrooms; there shall be no more than two (2) adults per bedroom. However, the maximum number of occupants shall not exceed 10 people unless approved by Council.
- E. Parking for the use shall be located in driveways or other designated and approved parking areas.
- F. There shall be no visible evidence of the conduct of such short-term rentals on the outside appearance of the property.
- G. A fire extinguisher shall be provided and visible in all kitchen and cooking areas; smoke detectors shall be installed in all locations as identified in the current Uniform Statewide Building Code; and a carbon monoxide detector must be installed on each floor in every dwelling.
- H. The owner of the dwelling used for short-term rentals shall give the Town written consent to inspect any dwelling used for short-term rental to ascertain compliance with all the above performance standards upon a twenty-four-hour notice.
- I. A property management plan demonstrating how the short-term rental will be managed and how the impact on neighboring properties will be minimized shall be submitted for review and approval as part of the permitting process to the Planning Department. The plan shall include local points of contact available to respond immediately to complaints, clean up garbage, manage unruly tenants and utility issues, etc. It shall also be posted in a visible location in the short-term rental. The contact numbers shall be provided to Town staff, public safety officials and, if applicable, the HOA of the subdivision. The plan must be provided as part of the rental contract.
- J. If the property is located within a subdivision governed by a homeowners’ association, the Planning Department must receive proof that a notification to operate the short-term rental was sent to the HOA.

- K. The owners of the rental shall provide an emergency evacuation plan for the dwelling and the neighborhood.
- L. A copy of Chapter 106 of the Town of Front Royal Code relative to noise must be provided at the short-term dwelling.
- M. All outdoor burning shall be in compliance with Chapter 78 of the Town of Front Royal Code.
- N. Failure to comply with the approved conditions and/or supplemental regulations will subject the permit to revocation by the Zoning Administrator at any time.

Property Owner's Signature: _____

CERTIFICATION:

I certify that the information provided with this application is correct to the best of my knowledge and should the special use permit be granted, the project will comply with the conditions imposed upon it and will be implemented only as approved by Town Council.

Signature _____ Date _____

By submitting this application, the applicant grants permission to Town officials and employees to enter upon the property, which is the subject of this application, during reasonable hours and for purposes related to the application process.

