

## Chapter 6B.140

### HOTELTRANSIENT ACCOMMODATIONS

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#### **6B.140.010 License required.**

It shall be unlawful for any person, either as owner, lessor, lessee, manager, or agent, to conduct, keep, manage, or operate or cause to be kept, managed or operated, ~~transient accommodations establishments such as hotels, motels, rooming houses, or lodging houses, or bed and breakfast facilities~~ in the City without first obtaining a license pursuant to the provisions of this chapter.

(Ord. 27297 § 1; passed Nov. 23, 2004)

#### **6B.140.020 Definitions.**

“Adult hotel” means a transient accommodation that offers a guest room for rent for any period of time less than 10 hours or allows a person to sub-rent the guest room for a period of time that is less than 10 hours.

“Guest” shall mean any person to whom lodging and other services are furnished, and all other persons occupying or registered to occupy a lodging unit at a transient accommodation visiting a room or rooms.

“Guest room” means an individual room or group of interconnected rooms, intended for sleeping that is for rent or use by a guest, and is individually designated by number, letter or other means of identification. A guest room may or may not include areas for cooking and eating.

“Hotel Transient accommodation” shall mean and include hotels, motels, rooming houses, lodging houses, or any other building or facility such as a hotel, motel, condominium, resort, bed and breakfast, short-term rental that meets the definition of TMC 13.06.700 or any other facility or buildings place offering used for human habitation containing more than three or more guest rooms to persons rooms intended or designed to be used or which may be used for sleeping or living quarters by guests for periods of not more less than 90 30 days, which are rented or hired out for compensation as a business, except transient accommodation shall not include a short-term rental where the entire dwelling is rented.

(Ord. 27297 § 1; passed Nov. 23, 2004)

#### **6B.140.030 License fees.**

The license fees for a ~~hotel~~ transient accommodation are hereby fixed as follows:

<u>Hotel Transient Accommodation</u>	\$50.00
<u>Guest Room</u>	\$ .50 each

(Ord. 27406 § 17; passed Aug. 30, 2005; Ord. 27297 § 1; passed Nov. 23, 2004)

#### **6B.140.040 Exemptions.**

This chapter shall not apply to those places where children, elderly persons, invalids, or convalescents are exclusively accommodated, or to those premises licensed as trailer camps or recreational vehicle parks.

(Ord. 27297 § 1; passed Nov. 23, 2004)

**6B.140.050 Hotel register-Record requirements.**

Every person operating or conducting any hotel-transient accommodation as defined herein shall at all times keep therein a hotel register in the form of a permanently bound volume or a permanent card file system in which shall be inscribed with ink include the name and home-physical address of each and every guest, which shall include the person renting the guest room and all other names of the persons occupying or visiting a guest room or rooms therein. The name or names of such guests shall be written upon the register, either by themselves or the person renting such room or rooms, and the proprietor of such hotel shall thereupon write opposite each name so registered the number of the room or rooms assigned to each guest and the time when the same is rented, and until the names and entries are made in the register no guest shall be permitted to occupy privately any room in said hotel. The owner or operator shall also require valid photo identification for all guests including those paying in cash, money order, traveler check or personal checks, or by voucher at the time of registration. Such identification shall be in valid and current form issued by a governmental entity, which shall be recorded in the register.

At the time said room or rooms are surrendered, the proprietor shall enter the time thereof opposite the name of the person surrendering said room or rooms. The register shall be open at all times to the inspection of any police officer of the City or the state of Washington or other governmental agency. The operator of any hotel-transient accommodation shall also keep a permanent record of all reservations made for and on behalf of any guest and a copy of guest photo identification taken at the time of registration. at any other hotel, Registrations such records are to be retained for a period of three years and shall be open to inspection at all times by the police department any police officer of the City or the State of Washington or other City official conducting official City business.

(Ord. 27297 § 1; passed Nov. 23, 2004)

**6B.140.060 Manager required on premises.**

Every person conducting, keeping, managing, or operating, or causing to be conducted, kept, managed, or operated, any hotel-transient accommodation shall have a manager or person in charge of said hotel-transient accommodation present on the premises of said hotel-transient accommodation at all times that the same is being conducted, operated, and maintained. Said manager or person in charge shall be screened for civil and criminal background information by a company that is licensed with the City prior to being employed at any hotel-transient accommodation licensed hereunder.

(Ord. 27297 § 1; passed Nov. 23, 2004)

**6B.140.070 Prohibited use of hotel-transient accommodation.**

No person in charge of any hotel-transient accommodation, either as owner, agent, manager, clerk, servant, or employee or in any other capacity, shall use, permit, or suffer to be used the hotel-transient accommodation or any portion thereof for the purpose of an adult hotel, prostitution; the illegal manufacture, possession, sale, distribution, or use of narcotics or dangerous drugs as designated or defined by TMC 8.28; or shall permit any fighting, boisterous conduct, or any other disorderly conduct therein.

(Ord. 27297 § 1; passed Nov. 23, 2004)

**6B.140.080 Guest Room numbering identification.**

Each sleeping-guest room and apartment in a hotel-transient accommodation shall be numbered-identified in a plain and conspicuous manner by placing such number identification, such as a number, letter or other method of identification on the outside door of each guest room, and no two guest rooms shall bear the same number identification. In addition to this requirement, hotels and motel-transient accommodations may be subject to TMC 8.45.080, which contains additional site hardening requirements.

(Ord. 27297 § 1; passed Nov. 23, 2004)

**~~6B.140.090 Advertising unlicensed premises.~~**

~~No building shall be advertised as conducting any activity that falls under the definition of a hotel as set forth herein, nor shall any sign, placard, poster, banner, card or other advertising matter using any of the words "hotel," "motel," "rooming house," "lodging house," "rooms," "lodging," or words of similar import be placed, erected, displayed, or maintained on the outside or in close proximity to any hotel building, or in the inside in such a manner as it may be~~

~~seen from the outside thereof, unless the person conducting a hotel therein is licensed pursuant to the provisions of this subtitle, and such license is unexpired and unrevoked.~~

(Ord. 27297 § 1; passed Nov. 23, 2004)