



Short-Term Accommodation Uses

Short-term accommodation and other forms of tourist accommodation in the Regional District of Central Okanagan (RDCO) are only permitted on properties where the use is explicitly permitted by Zoning Bylaw No. 871 or Joe Rich Rural Land Use Bylaw No. 1195.

Short-term accommodation *uses* typically fall into three subcategories in the RDCO;

- Dedicated commercial resort areas
- Bed and Breakfast (B'n'B) accommodations
- Agri-Tourist accommodations

RDCO land use bylaws do not permit short-term accommodation uses in single-family dwellings (with the exception of bed and breakfast accommodation), secondary suites or accessory homes.

[Business Licences](#) are required for all short-term occupancy accommodations and applications must include a completed self-evaluation safety audit attestation and a copy of the posted fire safety evacuation plan. RDCO Inspection Services and/or Fire Services may also require a site inspection for safety compliance.

Commercial Resort Areas

In dedicated commercial resort areas such as La Casa and other C5, C7, C8 and RU7 zoned properties, Tourist Cabin, Campground and Motel operations allow for short-term occupancy by owners or occupiers for periods of less than one month.

Bed and Breakfast Accommodations

Where permitted, B'n'B accommodations (up to four guest rooms) may be operated within a principal residence. Secondary suites and accessory buildings may not be used for B'n'B purposes, the permanent occupant shall operate the B'n'B and they must be present when hosting guests.

Agri-Tourist Accommodations

On some agricultural and rural parcels with active farming operations, agri-tourist accommodation may be permitted, but must be within the principal dwelling. The accommodation must be an accessory use, and must also relate to the farming activities.

B.C.'s Short-Term Rental Accommodations Act

Despite new Provincial legislation regarding short-term rentals, there are no plans to amend RDCO land use bylaws at this time. For more information on Provincial requirements please refer to the [Province of BC](#).

