

SHORT-TERM RENTAL EXEMPTION POLICY

POLICY PURPOSE

This policy provides guidance on the interpretation of section 7.24 (b) (i) of Zoning Bylaw No. 832, 2018.

POLICY

1.0 Scope

This policy applies to all short-term rental business licence applicants requesting that their property be exempted from the restriction set out in 7.24 of Zoning Bylaw No. 832, 2018 that limits the number of short-term rentals to a maximum five percent of lots in areas described and defined by the map in Schedule B of the zoning bylaw.

The intent of the exemption is to enable homeowners or tenants who are away from home for an extended period of time to rent their properties and recoup costs.

2.0 Eligibility

A lot may only be exempted from the maximum five percent limit, on application to the Village, subject to the following conditions:

- The property in question is the occupant's principal residence;
- The property is rented on a short-term basis for less than 90 days in a calendar year

3.0 Application

An applicant for a short-term rental business licence may request that their application be considered for exemption to the five percent limit on short-term rentals in an area by making the request for exemption in writing when applying for a short-term rental business licence.

Approval of an exemption to the five percent limit does not constitute approval of the business licence application.

4.0 Decision

Staff may request additional information or documents from the applicant to confirm eligibility.

Staff may deny an exemption request, approve a request, or approve a request with conditions.

An applicant whose request for exemption is denied under this policy may appeal the decision to Council.

RESPONSIBILITIES

5.0 Council Responsibilities

Council is responsible for adopting this policy and for making any substantive amendments to this policy.

6.0 Chief Administrative Officer Responsibilities

The chief administrative officer is responsible for administering the policy and for administrative amendments to the policy.