

# Short-Term Rentals in the City of West Hollywood

## WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

You probably know of at least one friend or family member that has stayed in a short-term rental listed on Airbnb, VRBO, FlipKey or HomeAway when they were traveling out of the area. But did you know that short-term rentals are actually prohibited in West Hollywood? In September 2015 the West Hollywood City Council adopted an ordinance that further clarifies the City's long-standing prohibition of short-term rentals.

### What this law means for you

Individuals and landlords cannot rent a unit or any portion of a unit for a period of 30 days or less. All rentals must be for 31 or more days. Additionally, advertising of this activity is also prohibited.

### Does this apply to guest houses or rent stabilized properties?

Yes. It applies to ALL types of housing including single-family homes, apartments, condos, and guest houses as well as market-rate and rent-stabilized properties. Property owners may not use the Ellis Act to evict tenants and then convert the properties into short-term rentals.

### Am I at risk for eviction if I advertise a short-term rental?

The short answer is Yes. The activity is not permitted in the City of West Hollywood and you may be placing your tenancy at risk for eviction. Contact a Rent Stabilization Information Coordinator if you have questions: (323) 848-6450.

### How to report a short-term rental

If you believe that a violation of this law is taking place in your neighborhood, please contact Code Compliance:

- Call us: (323) 848-6516
- Email us: [ServiceRequest@weho.org](mailto:ServiceRequest@weho.org)
- Use the City's Mobile App to submit a Service Request

### For additional questions and information

If you have questions about the City's policy regarding short-term rentals or would like additional information, please call (323) 848-6303.

