

# STR Policies and Regulations

## General

[A Practical Guide to Effective Regulating Short-term Rentals on the Local Government Level](#)

*This guide does not specify on the size of the community but provides an outline/visual approach to what are viable vs. nonviable regulatory approaches for short-term rentals. It also includes some guidance for fines when ordinances are not followed. The author of the article is the founder of [Granicus](#), which is a civic engagement platform utilized by communities of all sizes (and geographies) and provides [additional information](#) regarding short-term rental property regulations.*

[Short-Term Rentals Regulations: Not Always a Day at the Beach for Municipalities](#)

Overview: Provides insight to limitations on municipalities/governments to regulate short-term rentals in North Carolina.

## What's happening in other Louisiana communities

[Baton Rouge Rental Regulations](#)

[St. Tammany Parish bans short-term rentals in residential zones](#)

[Short Term Rental Study - New Orleans, LA](#)

[Shreveport requires permits for short-term rentals](#)

[Mandeville set a short-term rental limit of 10 across the whole city. It's almost there.](#)

## Population less than 100,000

[The Short-Term Rental Economy in Rural Maine Communities: An Opportunity for Economic Growth Instead of a Target for Regulation](#) (Journal/Research-focused)

*Provides insight to how rural Maine communities can effectively regulate STRs to increase profit at an individual and municipal level, especially for communities that benefit from seasonal tourism.*

[Short-term rentals in small cities in Oregon: Impacts and regulations](#)

*Examines STR characteristics, revenue from lodging taxes, and impact on long-term housing supply in 200+ small cities throughout Oregon. Provides insight from city managers and planners on regulations/perceptions through a statewide survey.*

### [The State of Short Term Rentals in Montana](#)

*Study includes two independent studies; interviews with city and county officials, and an online travel behavior survey regarding accommodation choices and changes in travel due to the COVID-19 pandemic.*

### [Vacation rentals last year generated \\$7M in local taxes](#)

*News article showing the effects of STRs in Gila County, AZ, and statewide.*

### [Short-Term Rentals in Rhode Island](#)

*Evaluates existing rental market and provides recommendations and policy options for Rhode Island towns and cities. Proposes regulations that deal with issues concurrently rather than individually, including residency and quantitative restrictions, with examples.*

### [City of Menlo Park, CA](#)

*Study that the City of Menlo Park conducted to determine policy decisions related to STRs. Completed focus groups, interviews, etc. with local community stakeholders (residents, developers, businesses, community-based organizations, etc.) in order to collect data on STRs in the community.*

## **Population less than 500,000**

### [Local Regulation of Short-term Rentals](#)

*Six communities in North Carolina (ranging from a population of 1,000 to 465,000) reviewed local regulations of short-term rentals and provided examples of what each community requires for STRs, related to registration, specific districts, parking requirements, insurance/safety, occupancy limits, etc.*

### [Short-term Rentals: Raleigh, NC](#)

*List of regulations, how to apply, fees associated with STRs, etc.*

## **Population more than 500,000**

### [Regulating Short-term Rental: A Guidebook for Equitable Policy](#)

*Provides recommendations to assist in drafting local short-term ordinances that are equitable, with a goal of allowing for local wealth-creation through rental properties while maintaining a balance of affordable and available housing for residents. Case Study: San Francisco.*

### [Short Term Rental Application Process: Kansas City, MO](#)

*Example of a website to provide information for STRs for individuals who want to apply for their property to become an STR.*

[Short-Term Rental: City of Atlanta, GA](#)

*City website that provides information related to STRs (rental ordinance, process, application guide, property lookup, etc.).*

[Short Term Rental Property Permit Information: City of Nashville, TN](#)

*City website that provides information related to STRs (permit requirements, operating a STR, remitting taxes, etc.).*