

## CHARLOTTE COUNTY PLAN TO REOPEN TO SHORT TERM VACATION RENTALS

As a supplement to the Full Phase 1 reopening across the state of Florida, Charlotte County will implement the following additional measures to enable vacation/short term rental units to begin taking reservations and accepting check-ins the week of May 18th:

- Vacation rentals reservations and stays will be allowed from all U.S. states with COVID-19 case rate **less than 700 cases/100K residents** and the owner has a Property Manager or someone responsible, to oversee and make sure that CDC guidelines are maintained. (<https://www.cdc.gov/covid-data-tracker/index.html>).
- Reservations from areas identified by Florida's Governor as Covid-19 hot spots through Executive Orders are to be avoided for the next 45 days.
- Reservations from international travelers will not be accepted.
- The limit of number of guests in each rental will be no more than 10 and expand in accordance with State guidelines as we enter new phases.
- Property owners and managers will provide COVID-19 guidance of any local restrictions that are in place during the guest stay and other related local information. The county has posted online all current information related to such restrictions so that it can be easily accessible to lodging operators and guests 24/7.
- Property owners and managers will adhere to all Department of Business and Professional Regulation (DBPR) sanitation guidelines already in place as addressed under 61C-3.001 Sanitation and Safety Requirements of the transient lodging statutes  
([http://www.myfloridalicense.com/dbpr/hr/statutes/documents/61C\\_1348-bookmarks.pdf](http://www.myfloridalicense.com/dbpr/hr/statutes/documents/61C_1348-bookmarks.pdf))
- Property owners and managers will follow the CDC related guidelines that are for public spaces, businesses, schools and homes which expand upon the State of Florida & DBPR requirements already in place for safety and sanitation for all lodging. ( <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/reopen-guidance.html>)
- Property owners and managers should follow the CDC's cleaning and sanitization procedures and adhere to a minimum of **6-hours** between "check out" and "check in" to ensure ample time to properly clean and disinfect the property between bookings.
- Signage will be placed at each property highlighting the cleaning protocols between stays.
- Property owners and managers should supply all employees or contractors with CDC related safety guidance while operating in the short-term rental industry units to alleviate the transmission of the virus and provide further protection for employees and guests.
- Property owners and managers should supply guests with CDC guidance for guests traveling with pets and service/assistance animals if the property is pet friendly.
- Property owners and managers should also share CDC resources to any guest while staying in their units. These resources are available in multiple languages at the CDC website. This plan will be reviewed at least bi-weekly and updated as necessary
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