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RENTAL RESTRICTIONS PUT IN PLACE BY

- CITY OF NORTH MYRTLE BEACH,
- CITY OF MYRTLE BEACH,
- UNINCORPORATED HORRY COUNTY

Dear Homeowners,

Developments due to the COVID-19 World-Wide Pandemic change daily. Together, we have all weathered tropical storms, hurricanes and even freezes. However, this unprecedented health crisis has far surpassed anything thrown at us before. On Thursday, March 26th, the Cities of North Myrtle Beach and Myrtle Beach, as well as unincorporated Horry County, took steps to pass ordinances with various restrictions, effectively shutting down forms of **rentals** as well and some business operations.

The ordinances are provided in this email. *Please see the ordinance that pertains to the area in which your condo is located.*

In addition to Thursday's ordinances, during a press conference on Monday, March 23rd, Gov. Henry McMaster [ordered all South Carolina law enforcement agencies to prohibit or disperse any gatherings of three or more people if officers believe it poses a public threat](#). The governor said law enforcement will be given discretion on each case and asked them to use common sense when applying the order. McMaster said this executive order does not apply to people in homes or businesses like grocery stores. The governor said the order is designed for large crowds that he says officials have observed in different places including beaches.

Please know that Pinnacle Management remains ever present and continues to work with your Board to provide uninterrupted management of your administrative/fiscal services, as well as the maintenance care of your general common elements. Your building's fire systems, elevators and overall physical property's well-being is being attended to as usual. We will continue to be here for you. Please remain safe and follow social distancing and sanitizing protocol: [SCDHEC's Coronavirus Information Page](#) [Center of Disease and Control and Prevention](#)

We wish you and your entire families health and safety through the duration of this event.

The Ordinances follow.

After reading the applicable ordinance for your area, please direct any rental-related inquires to your individual rental representative.

PROPERTIES IN CITY OF NORTH MYRTLE BEACH

North Myrtle Beach City Council passed an ordinance Thursday prohibiting short-term rentals starting **7 a.m. on Friday, March 27 through April 30**. Hotels, rental properties, inclusive of private management companies and HOA's, Airbnb, VRBO-style lodging, public and private campgrounds and other overnight accommodations are included in the ordinance.

Short-term rentals extended to government, hospital, health agency, law enforcement, military and other critical personnel actively responding to COVID-19 will be exempt from the ordinance. Additionally, visitors currently checked in may remain until the end of their existing reservations.

Those who violate the ordinance would be subject to a fine not exceeding \$500, up to 30 days in jail or both.

To read or download the ordinance, please use this link:

<http://www.nmb.us/files/pdf/uploads/pressPublic/721-City%20of%20NMB%20Ordinance%20Prohibiting%20Short-Term%20Rentals.pdf>

PROPERTIES IN CITY OF MYRTLE BEACH

Myrtle Beach City Council met in an emergency conference call meeting Thursday afternoon to discuss health-related measures and restrictions needed to protect the community as confirmed cases of the coronavirus continue to increase.

Accommodations services would include hotels, motels, condo hotels, rental properties, Airbnb's, VRBO style lodging and public and private campgrounds. Existing reservations from Saturday, March 28 through April 30 must be rescheduled or canceled. All visitors at these properties must leave by noon Sunday, March 29.

Those occupying units since March 1 will be exempt from the ordinance but will be restricted from allowing visitors from staying with them until further notice.

All amusements that attract tourists and residents must be closed by Friday. Amusements would include but are not limited to movie theaters, golf course within city limits, miniature golf courses, amusement parks, arcades and moped/golf cart rentals. City of MYRTLE BEACH Temporary Orders Issued Thursday March 26, 2020

1. All accommodations businesses in the City of Myrtle Beach, including hotels, motels, condo hotels, rental properties, inclusive of private management companies and Airbnb, VRBO style lodging, plus public and private campgrounds:

- Shall not accept new reservations or extend current reservations for any period prior to May 1 effective immediately (such time limit is subject to further modification), except as indicated below.
- Existing reservations made for a period beginning Saturday, March 28, 2020 through April 30, 2020 will be rescheduled or canceled.
- Those units consistently occupied since March 1, 2020 are exempt from the order but may not be joined by other occupants including friends and family members.
- All visitors who do not meet the above exemption must vacate the property by noon, Sunday, March 29, 2020.

2. All amusements designed to attract and accommodate visitors, are hereby ordered to close effective Friday, March 27, 2020, including but not limited to:

- Movie and live performance theaters.
- Golf courses in the City limits, including mini-golf courses.
- Moped, and golf cart rental operations.
- Amusement parks and arcades.

3. As ensuring public health is a shared responsibility:

- Our residents are requested to continue to wash or sanitize hands frequently, to frequently disinfect home and work surfaces that may lead to the spread of the coronavirus, and to practice even more stringent social distancing procedures.
- Businesses that remain open to the public are requested to:
 - Redouble all CDC and DHEC recommended sanitation and disinfection procedures, and to emphasize such procedures to their employees.
 - Establish safe distancing guidelines for all cashier and payment areas to encourage a separation of customers of at least six feet between customers.
 - Enforce six feet separation requirements whenever possible in waiting rooms, lobby areas, and workstations.
 - Encourage that business be conducted over the telephone or electronically whenever possible.

- Read more here:

<https://www.myrtlebeachonline.com/news/coronavirus/article241534066.html#storylink=cpy>

PROPERTIES IN UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF HORRY COUNTY

Thursday County Council held an emergency meeting and enacted Emergency Ordinance 26-20 prohibiting shorter-term rentals and amusement type activities in the unincorporated areas of Horry County from Saturday, March 28, 2020 at 11:00 a.m. through April 30, 2020.

Golf courses are not restricted in the ordinance and are allowed to remain open. We continue to encourage appropriate social distancing. Click to [read or download the ordinance](#). For more information go to <https://www.horrycounty.org>

Stay safe and stay well,

John and Lisa Johansen, Owners

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