

NOTICE

**ALL OWNER-OCCUPIED/VACATION RENTAL HOME
OWNERS/OPERATORS**

The Ministry of Tourism is mandated to ensure delivery of a world-class experience through the monitoring of accommodation standards throughout The Bahamas.

With the introduction of Owner-Occupied Rental Homes in the Hotels Act (2009), all short-term/vacation rental homes are required to register with the Ministry of Tourism's Hotel Licensing Department for the purpose of regulating and licensing.

Effective immediately, mandatory registration will commence for all vacation rental homes. Homeowners presently registered are requested to update their information with the department.

Owners of condo-units within condo-hotel developments are not eligible to register.

Application (Forms 1 & 1C) may be completed online at:

- 1) www.hotellicensingdeptbahamas.com or www.tourismtoday.com. To access the information at "tourismtoday.com" select *Services* tab, then click Hotel Licensing Department.

Or

- 2) Submit completed applications to the local Ministry of Tourism's office or Administrator's Office.

Please also submit the following documents with the application forms:

- **Bahamas Investment Authority (BIA) Certificate/Permit (non-Bahamians only)**
- **Receipt of Real Property Tax payment**

Additional documents may be requested at a later date.

Registration deadline is August 31, 2016.

For further assistance, please contact:

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