

## **City Building Code Classification - STHR**

Recent changes in building code requirements have classified Short Term Home Rentals into two categories as noted below. Each category specifies certain criteria and code requirements.

R-3 Category – Owner Occupied	
Criteria	Code Requirements:
-One family dwellings	
-One or more occupants are primarily permanent in nature. Full time residents, or at least one primary permanent full time resident.	• A home greater than 4,500 sq. ft. must be sprinkled
-5 or fewer guest rooms <b>AND</b> 10 or fewer total occupants, excluding permanent residents.	

R-1 Category – Not owner occupied	
-R-1's must submit <b>certified architectural</b> plans prior to proceeding in the STHR process.	
Criteria	Code Requirements:
-No permanent resident <b>OR</b>	Corridors must be fire rated corridors
-Greater than 5 guest rooms <b>OR</b> greater than 10 total occupants	<ul> <li>(floor and ceiling)</li> <li>Sound transmission requirements</li> <li>An accessible guest unit required**</li> <li>Accessible communication features**</li> <li>All public spaces must be accessible**</li> <li>If on-site parking is provided, one accessible parking space required**</li> <li>An accessible route from the parking space**</li> <li>Home greater than 4,500 sq ft must be sprinkled (total building sq ft R-1 only)</li> </ul>
-Condo or mixed use building	

\*All STHR's and any plans submitted must comply with the provisions of the 2020 Building Code or the 2020 Conservation code for existing homes.

\*\*Accessible features must comply with the 2020 MN Accessibility Code.