

SHORT TERM RENTAL LOCAL LAW FAQs

Q: Does the proposed STR LL prohibit the establishment of or operation of Short Term Rentals?

A: No. Property owners, who choose to do so, are able to start up or maintain their own Short Term Rental operations.

Q: If the STR LL gets enacted, will a current STR operation need to close down until the time it is registered with the Town?

A: No. All current STR operations are able to conduct business without interruption.

Q: Will the enactment of the proposed STR LL discourage property owners from starting an STR operation?

A: The proposed STR LL has kept requirements for STR operations to a minimum in order to not create unnecessary barriers for STR start ups.

Q: Will the proposed STR LL create too much work for Town employees?

A: Currently, there are about 73 STR properties registered with the Warren County Treasurer. It is projected to take up to 6 months for all STR owners to submit their applications to the Town – an average of 3 applications a week. The application process has been made simple in order to reduce the time needed by the owner and the Town to apply and approve. Once those existing operations have been processed, it is projected that an average of 12 new STR properties will come on line each year – or 1 a month.

Q: Will the enactment of an STR LL adversely affect the economic vitality of the Town?

A: Demand for STR rooms is driven by several factors. The desirability of an area and the amenities it has to offer drive visitor demand. A high demand for visitor accommodations produces a favorable environment for STRs to establish and maintain.