

**TOWN OF SUNDERLAND**  
**SHORT TERM RENTAL ORDINANCE**

**September 25, 2024**

Town Hall 104 Mountain View Road, Sunderland VT

The Sunderland Selectboard has approved an ordinance for the regulation of short-term rentals (STR). This Ordinance is adopted pursuant to 21 V.S.A. § 1971 and § 2291(29). The purpose of this Ordinance is to promote the health, safety, and welfare of the Town of Sunderland and its residents and visitors; ensure the safety of occupants of short-term rentals and the wellbeing of the community and neighborhoods within the Town; and to preserve the character of Town and its neighborhoods, and to avoid an adverse effect on neighbors and surrounding property owners.

This notice is published pursuant to 24 V.S.A. § 1972 to inform the public of this ordinance and of the citizens' right to petition for a vote to disapprove this ordinance.

The ordinance requires registration of short-term rental properties with the Town, submission to the Town of a rental property information form to be provided by the Town and completed State form Short Term Rental Safety, Health, and Financial Obligations checklist. The Ordinance lists STR requirements for the Town of Sunderland, standards and list of documentation that must be available to guests, and prohibited activities.

The full text of the Short-Term Rental Ordinance can be examined during regular office hours at the Town Clerks Office, Town Hall, 104 Mountain View Road, Sunderland, Vermont and on the Town webpage, [Sunderlandvt.org](http://Sunderlandvt.org).

Questions and comments should be directed to Zoning Administrator, David Kiernan, 802-430-7146.  
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CITIZENS' RIGHT TO PETITION FOR VOTE Title 24 V.S.A. § 1973 grants citizens the right to petition for a vote at a special or annual Town Meeting to disapprove ordinance amendments adopted by the Selectboard. To exercise this right, citizens must present to the Selectboard or the Town Clerk a petition for a vote on the question of disapproving the amendments signed by not less than five percent (5%) of the Town's qualified voters. The petition must be presented within forty-four (44) days following the date of the adoption of the amendments. Unless a petition requesting a vote is filed pursuant to 24 V.S.A. § 1973, the amended Short Term Rental Ordinance shall become effective sixty (60) days from the date of said adoption.