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# **South Portland Offers Simple Registration for Short-Term Rental Owners**

*Host Compliance Site Streamlines Complaint Process for Homeowners*

SOUTH PORTLAND, MAINE – South Portland short-term rental owners can ensure they comply with local code regulations with just the click of a mouse.

In 2018, voters approved a measure to prohibit non-hosted short-term rentals (STR) in South Portland's residential neighborhoods. Homeowners may still rent out rooms in their homes if the owners are present.

All STR owners must register with the City via a simple [online registration process](#) maintained by Host Compliance.

South Portland City Manager [Scott Morelli](#) said: "Not only is Host Compliance the industry leader in this space but they offer a turn-key solution that would largely automate several key functions, including STR registration, active monitoring, mailing notices, and complaint management."

South Portland residents who wish to file an STR code violation may call the city's hotline at (207) 835-3200 24 hours a day/seven days a week. Complaints may also be filed [online](#).

Under city ordinance, short-term rental operators must register annually, pay a fee and display a city-issued registration number in all short-term rental advertisements.

STR homes must be inspected, insured, and licensed and owners must collect Maine sales tax.

## **About Host Compliance**

Host Compliance is the trusted partner for local governments looking to solve their short-term vacation rental compliance challenges. The Company provides software, data, and guidance with unparalleled reliability and scale, empowering local authorities to see short-term vacation rentals as the opportunity they really are. To date, Host compliance has helped hundreds of communities efficiently and cost-effectively design, implement, and enforce fair and effective regulations, recover much-needed revenue across all active vacation rental platforms, and preserve community character. And with their industry-first

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