



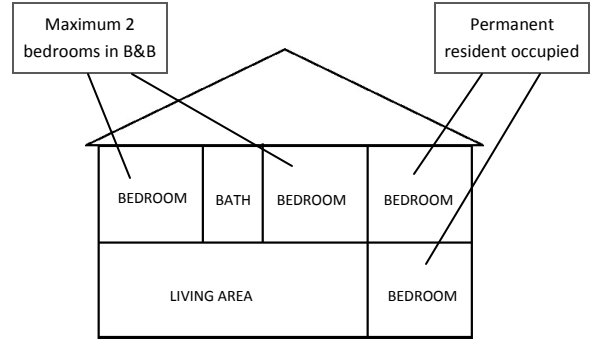
BED AND BREAKFAST

What is a B&B (Bed and Breakfast)?

A bed and breakfast means the use of part of a single family dwelling for the accommodation of paying overnight transient guests for short term rental and where breakfast is the only meal which may be served.

What is a SFD (Single Family Dwelling)?

Any building consisting of one dwelling unit which is occupied or intended to be occupied as the permanent home or residence of one family. May include a fully enclosed secondary suite.



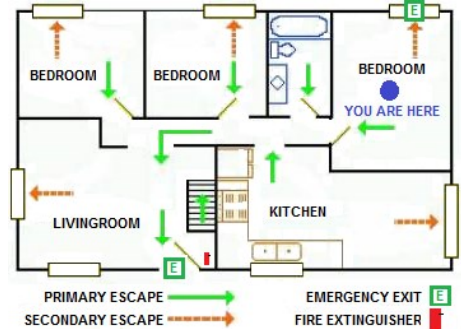
All businesses, including bed and breakfasts MUST have a valid City of Port Alberni business licence. Any business licence questions please contact the Economic Development Assistant/Business Licensing at (250) 720-2835 or bus_licence@portalberni.ca

If you are considering operating a bed and breakfast or making an application for a bed & breakfast business licence, please consider that the following requirements will be part of obtaining a business licence.

THE BUILDING AND FIRE DEPARTMENTS WILL ATTEND THE PROPERTY TO CONFIRM THAT THE FOLLOWING HAVE BEEN MET PRIOR TO THE ISSUING OF A BUSINESS LICENCE.

Every bedroom/sleeping area and common area in the home must have a hard wired interconnected smoke alarm (plus a CO alarm where solid fuel/gas burning appliances are present).

Every bedroom/sleeping area must have signs indicating where you are and where the emergency exits are, similar to the "You are here" information sheets you see on the back of a hotel room door. EXAMPLE →



Safe exterior entrance and exiting from the rental area. If the exterior steps attached to the house have more than three risers, a handrail is required.

One 5lb ABC Fire Extinguisher mounted no higher than 5 feet from the top near the exit of the area used by the clients.

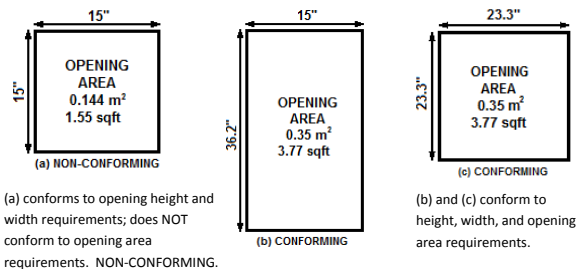
One (1) off-street parking space for each bedroom used for the operation must be provided plus 2 for the SFD.

Bed & Breakfast's are limited to 2 bedrooms or sleeping areas, with not more than 2 guests per room.

Windows that meet the following criteria are required in all rental bedrooms/sleeping areas as a secondary means of exiting.

Every bedroom must have a secondary means of exiting via a window. If that window is more than 4 feet off of the ground, a permanent method of accessing this secondary exit needs to be provided. An example of meeting this requirement would be to permanently attach a dresser or similar to the wall under the window.

MINIMUM WINDOW SIZE REQUIREMENTS



Must comply with all rules and regulations as stated in the Business Licence Bylaw 4951 and Zoning Bylaw 4832.

Questions regarding building inspections contact the building inspector at (250) 720-2832 or kevin_peters@portalberni.ca