LICENSEDRENTAL.COM

Blue River vacation rental checklist

Summit County, Colorado | Rules checked November 8, 2026

Scan for the latest version

Blue River paused new short-term rental licenses and lapsed renewals through December 31, 2026 while it rewrites its rules. Existing 2026 licenses can keep operating. The town allows one license per owner.

> The town expects new rules after its review; check back in early 2027.

Licensing steps

STATE OF COLORADO

- [ ] **Get a state sales tax license**
  If you rent rooms or a home for stays under 30 days, Colorado requires a sales tax license from the Department of Revenue. Platforms like Airbnb collect the state and state-administered taxes on their bookings; you file for anything booked directly.
  MyBiz Colorado: https://mybiz.colorado.gov/
- [ ] **Check for home-rule city taxes**
  Many cities and mountain towns collect their own sales and lodging taxes. Platforms aren't required by the state to collect these, so you may need a separate city tax license and returns.
- [ ] **Get your county or city rental license**
  Most Colorado mountain counties and towns, and Denver, require a short-term rental license or permit, often with an inspection, an occupancy limit, posted information, and a local responder. Pick your area for the rules.

SUMMIT COUNTY, COLORADO

- [ ] **Get a state sales tax license**
  You need a Colorado sales tax license for stays under 30 days unless a platform collects everything for you. The state, county, transit, and housing taxes are filed with the Department of Revenue.
- [ ] **Then your town or area**
  Each town licenses its own short-term rentals and collects its own taxes; outside town limits the county's rules apply. Pick your area.

TOWN OF BLUE RIVER

- [ ] **Check the moratorium**
  New licenses and lapsed renewals are on hold until the end of 2026, or sooner if the town finishes its rewrite. Current 2026 licenses aren't affected.
- [ ] **Check the license list**
  The town posts every licensed rental on its CitizenServe portal under Reports.
  Blue River STR licenses: https://townofblueriver.colorado.gov/blue-river-short-term-rental-licenses
- [ ] **Taxes on each stay**
  Stays under 30 days owe 2.9% state, 2% county, 0.75% transit, and 0.725% housing sales tax, plus any town tax. Airbnb and other platforms collect the state and state-administered taxes on their bookings; for direct bookings, file with the Colorado Department of Revenue. Ask the town about its own short-term rental tax and how to file it.

Official sources

Colorado Department of Revenue: Sales & Use Tax Topics: Rooms & Accommodations-
. https://tax.colorado.gov/sales-use-tax-topics-rooms-accommodations

Colorado Department of Revenue: Sales Tax Guide and Colorado Sales/Use Tax Rates (DR 1002)-. https://tax.colorado.gov/sites/tax/files/Sales%2011.pdf

Summit Daily: Blue River freezes new short-term rental licenses and renewals amid ‘emergency’ compliance concerns (May 2026)-. https://summitdaily.com/news/blue-river-freezes-new-short-term-rental-licenses-and-renewals-amid-emergency-compliance-concerns

Town of Blue River: Blue River Short-Term Rental Licenses. https://townofblueriver.colorado.gov/blue-river-short-term-rental-licenses

Town of Breckenridge Finance: Tax Rates and Revenue Distributions-. https://townofbreckenridge.com/departments/finance/taxes/sales-tax/tax-rates-and-revenue-distributions