

Mayor's Emergency Rule #14

Purpose:

Some transient visitors are stating that they are new residents to avoid quarantining at a hotel and are staying at transient vacation rentals. Irresponsible transient vacation rental operators are creating six month leases, with separate agreements to break the leases early to accommodate transient visitors. Multiple groups of "new residents" are quarantining at the same address repeatedly. These tactics are unnecessarily wasting important resources.

Rule:

No transient vacation rental or homestay, as defined by the Kaua'i County Code, may be designated as a quarantine location for a new resident more than once in any six month period. The property owner, property manager, landlord, tenant, and guest shall each be responsible for ensuring compliance with this rule.

This rule has the force and effect of law. Violation of this rule is a misdemeanor, subject to penalty per HRS §127A-29.

Penalty per §127A-29:

Any person violating any rule of the governor or mayor prescribed and promulgated pursuant to this chapter and having the force and effect of law, shall, if it shall be so stated in the rule, be guilty of a misdemeanor. Upon conviction, the person shall be fined not more than \$5,000, or imprisoned not more than one year, or both.

Term:

Effective July 21, 2020, subject to modification.

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