County of Santa Barbara Treasurer-Tax Collector 105 E. Anapamu St # 109 Santa Barbara, CA 93101



Mailing Address: PO Box 579 Santa Barbara, CA 93102 (805) 568-2927

TRANSIENT OCCUPANCY TAX RETURN						
Reporting Month/Year			Certificate #			
Nan	me of Operator/Vacation Rentals					
	Address	City	State	Zip		
1	GROSS RENT FOR OCCUPANCY OF ROOMS:			\$		
	**ALLOWABLE DEDUCTIONS					
2	**RENT FOR OCCUPANCY BY PERMANENT RESIDEN	NTS (31 Days & Over Stay)	\$			
3	**RENT PAID BY FEDERAL GOVERNMENT (Attach Co	mpleted Exemption Claims)	\$			
4	**CREDITS (Must Submit Backup Documents)		\$			
5	TOTAL ALLOWABLE DEDUCTIONS: (Lines 2 thru 4 Inclusive)			\$		
6	TAXABLE RENTS: (Line 1 minus Line 5)			\$		
7	TAX: (12% of Line 6)			\$		
8	LATE PENALTY, IF APPLICABLE (See letter E of instructions below)			\$		
9	INTEREST, IF APPLICABLE (See letter F of instructions below)			\$		
10	TOTAL AMOUNT DUE: (Lines 7 to 9 Inclusive)			\$		

## **INSTRUCTIONS**

- A) <u>Transient Occupancy Tax (TOT)</u>: Due immediately at the end of each month. Complete the following portion of this form and return with your remittance to the mailing address indicated above. A tax return must be filed monthly, even if no tax is due.
- B) Remittance: Checks should be payable to Harry E. Hagen, Treasurer-Tax Collector. Checks, drafts and money orders are accepted by the Tax-Collector subject to collection and do not constitute payment until cleared. The Tax Collector assumes no responsibility for loss in transit or delay in deposit.
- C) Transient Occupancy Tax Funds: The collection of the tax must be held in trust until paid to the Tax Collector.
- D) <u>Delinquent Date</u>: The last day of the month following the close of the reporting period. For example, January's return is delinquent if not postmarked by the last day of February.
- E) <u>Late Penalty</u>: If paid within 30 days after delinquent date, 10% of the amount of the tax (line 7). If paid more than 30 days after delinquent date, 20% of the amount of the tax (line 7).
- F) Interest: In addition to penalty, ½ of 1% per month interest (line 7) on the unpaid tax amount attaches on the first day of each month that the tax is delinquent.
- G) Audits: All records substantiating the return must be retained by the operator for a period of not less than three years from the date of payment. The Tax Collector has the right to inspect records at all reasonable times.
- H) Exemptions: Only federal employees may be exempt from TOT. A contract must exist, and the U.S. Government must pay directly. For allowable deductions, refer to Santa Barbara County Code Section 32, article II.
- I) <u>Update Changes</u>: Change of mailing address or ownership must be reported immediately to the office of the Treasurer-Tax Collector.
- J) Termination: Upon cessation of business for any reason, returns and payments are due immediately and must be paid to the Tax Collector.
- K) Confidentiality: Information provided on this tax return is confidential and will only be provided to government agencies for official use or in accordance with law.

I DECLARE, UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY,	, THAT TO THE BEST OF MY	Y KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF	THE STATEMENTS
HEREIN ARE CORRECT AND TRUE.			

SIGNED	PRINTED NAME	
TITI F	DATE	PHONE