

## 1. Tourist Accommodation Establishments

Tourist accommodation establishments are establishments that aim to provide tourists with paid accommodation services, including a suitable set of facilities, equipment and complementary services for their operation.

### 1.1 HOTELS AND SIMILAR ESTABLISHMENTS

Tourist accommodation establishments that aim to provide tourists with accommodation and other complementary support services, typically on a daily basis. They can be classified as:

- Hotels;
- *Pousadas* (inns) located in buildings classified as national or regional monuments, buildings of public, regional or municipal interest, or buildings that, for their age and architectural and historical value, are representative of a particular era.

Main requirements:

- ✓ Must have at least 10 accommodation units.
- ✓ Common-use area or areas where breakfast, meals and beverages can be provided.
- ✓ All accommodation units must have en-suite bathroom facilities.

### 1.2 HOLIDAY VILLAGES

Tourist accommodation establishments consisting of a set of functionally interdependent facilities with a coherent architectural style, located in areas with territorial continuity, designed to offer accommodation and complementary support services to tourists.

Main requirements:

- ✓ Buildings cannot exceed 3 floors, including the ground-floor.
- ✓ Must have at least 7 accommodation units.
- ✓ There must be internal roadways to enable the movement of emergency vehicles, common-use and private parking areas, outdoor green areas for common use, common-use swimming pool and restaurant with bar area.

### 1.3 APARTMENT HOTELS

Tourist accommodation establishments consisting of a cohesive set of accommodation units of the apartment type (furnished, equipped with kitchen/kitchenette, living/dining room), which aim to offer accommodation and other complementary support services to tourists.

Main requirements:

- ✓ Can occupy part of a building, consisting of complete and contiguous floors, and/or the whole building or group of buildings situated in an identifiable area with the same architectural design and functional features.

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- ✓ Must have at least 6 accommodation units (except in the case of using existing buildings in urban centers, for which the architectural value is recognized by the Regional Directorate for Culture).
- ✓ Private parking with the capacity of 1 vehicle per accommodation unit.

## 1.4 RESORTS

Establishments consisting of clusters of functionally interdependent facilities located in areas having territorial continuity with the aim to offer tourists accommodation and complementary support services under the same management providing common-use services and amenities. Resorts must comprise at least 2 tourist accommodation establishments (one of which must necessarily be a hotel establishment).

Main requirements:

- ✓ Must have internal roadways, common-use parking areas, outdoor green spaces and surrounding areas for common use, common-use swimming pool, sports and leisure facilities.

## 1.5 CAMPING SITES AND TRAILER PARKS

Establishments set up on land with duly-delimited boundaries and equipped with structures designed to allow tents, trailers, caravans or motorhomes and other material and equipment necessary for camping and caravanning. There may be other complementary facilities provided they do not occupy more than 25% of the total area of the campsite.

## 2. 'Housing Tourism' Establishments

'Housing Tourism' Establishments are family-run establishments housed in old privately-owned properties that, given their architectural, historic or artistic value, represent a particular era.

Main requirements:

- ✓ The maximum number of accommodation units for guests is 15.
- ✓ The main building must have a living room for guests that can be used by the owner.
- ✓ Must have breakfast service.
- ✓ All accommodation units must have en-suite bathroom facilities.
- ✓ Up to 3 accommodation units can be built outside the main building, provided there are at least 2 units in that building.
- ✓ 'Housing Tourism' Establishments are considered family-run establishments since their owners, managers or representatives live in the establishment during the period of operation.

## 3. Tourist Accommodation Establishments in Rural Areas

Tourist Accommodation Establishments in Rural Areas aim to provide tourist accommodation services in rural areas, including a suitable set of facilities, structures, equipment and complementary services for their operation, with a view to offer a full and diverse tourist experience in rural areas.

Rural areas refer to areas with a traditional and meaningful connection to agriculture or the environment and with a landscape that is markedly of a rural nature.

The owners or entities running tourism accommodation establishments in rural areas, including their representatives, may or may not reside in the establishment during the respective period of operation.

Tourism Accommodation Establishments in Rural Areas must be integrated in the areas where they are located so as to preserve, restore and enhance the natural, historic, architectural heritage and landscape of the respective regions, through the recovery of existing traditional buildings, their reconstruction, rehabilitation or enlargement, assuring integration in the surrounding environment.

Tourism Accommodation Establishments in Rural Areas can be classified as follows:

### 3.1 COUNTRY HOUSES

Properties located in villages or rural areas that fit in with the typical local architecture.

Main requirements:

- ✓ The maximum number of accommodation units for guests is 15.
- ✓ Exceptionally for this type of accommodation, check-in and check-out services, bookings and reception services can be done in an office which can be located outside of the establishment, provided its in the same island.
- ✓ Must have breakfast service. Exceptionally for this type of accommodation, this service may simply consist in providing guests with essential food supplies.
- ✓ Must have at least 1 bathroom facility for every 3 rooms.

### 3.2 AGRITOURISM

Tourist Accommodation Establishments located on a farm, offering guests the opportunity to watch and learn about or engage in agricultural activities.

Main requirements:

- ✓ The maximum number of accommodation units for guests is 15.
- ✓ Must have breakfast service.
- ✓ Must have at least 1 bathroom facility for every 2 accommodation units.

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## 3.3 RURAL HOTELS

Hotel establishments located in villages or rural areas that match the dominant characteristics of the locality.

Main requirements:

- ✓ Maximum capacity of 30 rooms.
- ✓ Must have breakfast service.
- ✓ All accommodation units must have en-suite bathroom facilities.

## 3.4 RURAL TOURIST ACCOMMODATION

In addition to the use of built heritage that is representative of the traditional architectural style in the region, new structures that are built on a scale that is consistent with the pre-existing ones are accepted exclusively for this type of accommodation.

Main requirements:

- ✓ Maximum number of accommodation units for guests is 25.
- ✓ Must have breakfast service.
- ✓ Must have a private green surrounding area.
- ✓ Use of buildings with a maximum of 3 floors.
- ✓ All accommodation units must have en-suite bathroom facilities.

## 4. Local Tourist Accommodation

Local Tourist Accommodation refers to tourist accommodation services provided in establishments approved for residential use without meeting the requirements needed in order to be included in one of the types of accommodation for tourists.

Local Tourist Accommodation establishments can be classified as:

### 4.1 GUEST ROOMS IN LOCALS' HOMES

### 4.2 VILLA

### 4.3 APARTMENT

### 4.4 GUEST HOUSE

### 4.5 HOSTEL (the only type of accommodation that can be supported)

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Local accommodation establishment consisting in the use of existing buildings located in urban centres. Hostels can occupy the entire building or group of contiguous buildings or just an independent part.

- ✓ The number of beds in shared dorms must exceed the number of beds in private rooms.
- ✓ The number of bunk beds and convertible beds must never exceed the number of fixed beds.
- ✓ Maximum capacity of 30 beds and 10 rooms.
- ✓ Maximum capacity of 6 beds per dorm, including bunk beds and convertible beds.
- ✓ 30% of the rooms must have en-suite bathroom facilities.
- ✓ 1 shared bathroom for every 3 rooms.

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