

Lodging Facilities Licensing Program

The City of Hagerstown adopted a Lodging Facilities licensing program in 2023 to protect and promote the public health, safety and welfare of the citizens and visitors of Hagerstown, to establish rights and obligations of owner/manager and visitors in the use of lodging facilities, and to encourage all parties to maintain and improve the quality of lodging facilities within the community.

In the initial year of this program all hotels were required to apply for a license and the City Code Administration staff and Fire Department staff inspected the properties for compliance with minimum standards of the Building and Fire Codes. Depending upon the results of the inspections, hotels were classified as Tier 1 or Tier 2 hotels. Tier 2 status indicates the inspection found more than or equal to 0.5 code violations per room for the property. The hotels are required to post the license in the lobby with the code violations per room number identified.

Starting in the second year of the program, Tier 1 and Tier 2 hotels are still required to license annually with Tier 1 hotels subject to triennial inspections and Tier 2 hotels subject to annual inspections. Tier 2 hotels are subject to inspection again until the number of code violations ratio for the property gets below 0.25 per room.

Part of the program requires the following by the hotels:

- Abatement of all prior revealed code violations prior to renewal of the license.
- Maintenance of a guest registry.
- Certification of completion of training by hotel staff of Overdose Response Program Training by the Washington County Health Department.
- Certification of completion of annual training by hotel staff of Human Trafficking Training, as required by State code.

The first round of inspections of the 13 hotels in Hagerstown were completed in late 2023 and early 2024. The following Tiers were set for 2024 as a result of the inspections:

Tier 1 - 2024

Courtyard by Marriott, 17270 Valley Mall Rd
Fairfield Inn & Suites, 89 All Star Court
Hampton Inn, 1716 Dual Highway
Home2 Suites, 1661 Pullman Lane
Homewood Suites, 1650 Pullman Lane
Springhill Suites, 17280 Valley Mall Rd

Tier 2 - 2024

APM Suites, 431 Dual Highway
Comfort Suites, 1801 Dual Highway
Dagmar/Crown, 50 Summit Avenue
Days Inn, 1101 Dual Highway
Plaza Inn & Suites, 931 Dual Hwy
Quality Inn/Econo Lodge, 900-920 Dual Hwy
Super 8, 1220 Dual Highway

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