TRANSIENT OCCUPANCY TAX
FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q. A federal, state or county employee has presented me with an exemption form provided by their employer. Do I waive the Transient Occupancy tax?

A. No. Trinity County has no exemptions from the Transient Occupancy Tax other than Foreign Diplomatic Exemptions. Contact Office of Foreign Missions, Program Director, 10920 Wilshire Blvd. Suite 730, Los Angeles Ca 90024 or Phone (310) 235-6292 x 121 or Fax (310) 235-6297 for information and samples of Tax Exemption Cards. A valid exemption card must be presented.

Q. We did not have any guests during the calendar quarter; we are closed for the season, or all guests stayed over 30 consecutive days. Do we still have to complete a return?

A. Yes. Complete all applicable lines, and show zero on lines 6 and 7, sign, date and return.

Q. We have sold or closed the business what do we need to do?

A. A return for the period you operated the business is required upon the cessation of business. Please contact this office in writing for a return form, stating the date sold or closed, along with the name and address of any new owners.

Q. The last day of a quarter falls on a Saturday, Sunday or holiday what is the last day to pay without penalty?

A. Your return must be postmarked or delivered to the Tax Collector’s office on or before 4 P.M. the next business day. Note: Postage meter imprints are not "postmarks".

Q. Some or all of the owners, and or the operator or manager or our mailing address has changed what do I do?

A. Contact the Tax Collector’s office and request a new registration form or download the form from the internet on the Tax Collector site @ www.trincounty.org. Then mail it to the Tax Collector.

Q. I have misplaced my quarterly return and want a copy to complete and send with my payment.

A. Look on the website listed above for Transient Occupancy Tax Quarterly Return or call the Tax Collectors office for a form.

Q. I have a question that is not answered here what do I do?

A. Look on the website for Trinity County Transient Occupancy Code, look at the copy of the code provided to you when you registered your business, or call the Tax Collectors office.