TOWNSHIP USE ONLY - PRIOR TO -

Rt. #____________

TOWNSHIP OF BRISTOL
2501 BATH ROAD, BRISTOL, PA 19007

RENTAL LICENSE APPLICATION
AND CERTIFICATE OF APPROVAL

APPLICATION DATE__________________

RENTAL LOCATION__________________ APT. #__________________

OWNER______________________________________________________

PHONE #___________________________

Above described premises comply with provisions of Township of Bristol Ordinance No. 372 as amended, and permission is hereby given to offer the same for rent.

TENANT(5)________________________________________________________________________

UNIT READY DATE__________________

MOVE-IN DATE_____________________

INSPECTOR________________________

SIGNATURE
Township of Bristol
Building, Planning & Development

2501 Bath Road, Bristol, Pennsylvania 19007

Business Establishment Information Form

Phone: 215-785-3680/Fax: 215-788-8541

BUSINESS NAME: ___________________________ RENTAL PROPERTY

RENTAL ADDRESS:

______________________________________________

PA

City State Zip Code

OWNER’S NAME:

______________________________________________

HOME PHONE: ________________________ FAX NUMBER: ________________________

EMAIL ADDRESS: ______________________________

HOME ADDRESS:

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City State Zip Code

BILLING ADDRESS
IF DIFFERENT FROM
ABOVE:

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City State Zip Code

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EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION (PLACE IN PRIORITY ORDER)

NAME: _____________________________ PHONE: _____________________________

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The information supplied on this form is deemed confidential under the applicable state laws and shall be used by the tax collector in accordance and conformity with those state laws.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS ABOUT THE EARNED INCOME TAX

Please keep this information with your tax records for future reference.

What Is The “Earned Income Tax”? The earned income tax has been levied by your resident taxing jurisdiction (i.e., the township, borough or school district in which you live). Earned income is defined as salaries, wages, commissions, bonuses, incentive payments, fees, tips and/or other compensation for services rendered, whether in cash or property, and whether paid directly to you or through an agent. In addition, the net profits of a business are subject to a net profits tax. Net profits are defined as the net income from the operation of a business, profession, or other activity, except corporations, after deductions for all operating costs and expenses incurred in conducting said business.

What Income Is Specifically Exempt From The Earned Income Tax? Income such as dividends, interest, income from trusts, bonds, insurance and stocks is exempt. Also exempt are payments for third party sick or disability benefits, old age benefits, retirement pay, pensions - including social security payments, public assistance or unemployment compensation payments made by any governmental agency, and any wages or compensation paid by the United States for active service in the armed forces of the United States including bonuses or additional compensation for such service.

If The Tax Is Withheld In Another Community Where I Work, Do I Also Pay The District In Which I Live? No. The tax withheld by your employer will be remitted to your resident taxing jurisdiction. It is still required that our Questionnaire be answered by ALL residents.

If I Am Subject To The Philadelphia Wage Tax, Must I Also Pay This Tax? No. If employed in Philadelphia, you may use the Philadelphia Wage Tax as a credit against your liability to your resident municipality, but the credit may not exceed the current tax rate for your local taxing jurisdiction. No refund or credit can be taken for any withholding greater than the current tax rate for your resident municipality.

Whose Earned Income Tax Will Be Withheld By Their Employer? Any individual working in a jurisdiction that levies the tax on residents and non-residents will have the tax withheld by their employer. If you work in a jurisdiction that does NOT tax non-residents, your employer is only required to withhold for those individuals who live in that jurisdiction. Occasionally, employers located in a jurisdiction where the tax is not levied will volunteer to withhold if your resident jurisdiction levies the tax.

From Whom Will The Earned Income Tax Be Collected Directly? The earned income tax will be collected directly from those who are: 1) self-employed; 2) salaried but self-employed in a side business; or 3) work in a municipality where the tax is not in place, or out of state. Those persons must file a declaration of the total of such estimated net profits or income, together with the total estimated tax due, with the Earned Income Tax Collector. Proper forms for reporting the quarterly payments will be sent to each person so liable.

Must All Taxpayers File A Final Return? Yes. A Local Earned Income Tax Return must be filed annually by April 15th.

What If I Neither File A Return Nor Pay The Tax Due? State law, as well as the local tax resolutions and/or ordinances, make it a summary criminal offense if a taxpayer fails to file a tax return as required. This subjects the taxpayer to a fine not to exceed $500.00 per offense, plus the cost of prosecution. In default of payment of said fine and costs, the taxpayer may be imprisoned for a period not exceeding thirty (30) days per offense. In addition, distress sale, wage attachment and/or civil suit proceedings may be used to collect any unpaid tax found to be due, and penalties and interest may also be assessed.

Must I Return This Questionnaire If I Have Moved Or Do Not Work? Yes. All residents must return a completed questionnaire. If you move within the tax year, you will receive a Local Earned Income Tax return in order to file for the period of time that you resided in a jurisdiction for which we are the tax administrator. If you have no earned income, we will update our records to reflect that information.
RENTAL PROPERTY INSPECTION REQUIREMENTS (Revised 6/13/18)

**TENANT IS NOT TO OCCUPY THE RESIDENCE OR ADD ANY CONTENT PRIOR TO THE RENTAL INSPECTION. ALL NEW RESIDENTIAL RESALES REQUIRE A USE & OCCUPANCY COMPLETION PRIOR TO THE RENTAL INSPECTION PROCESS.**

FINES IN THE AMOUNT OF $200.00 FOR WORKING WITHOUT PERMITS, PLUS DOUBLE INSPECTION FEES WILL BE ASSESSED FOR OCCUPANCY WITHOUT APPROVAL BY RESOLUTION NO. 2006-26.

PROPERTY MUST BE COMPLETELY VACANT UNTIL INSPECTION IS COMPLETED AND CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY IS APPROVED AND ISSUED.

INTERIOR OF HOUSE
1. General condition to be clean, freshly painted and sanitary.
2. Smoke detectors working in each room except kitchen & bathroom. They are required in hall by bedrooms and in every bedroom, all common areas and basements.
3. Carbon monoxide detector required for all premises with a fossil fuel equipped heating system, gas fueled appliances, attached garages or units with fireplaces. Detector to be placed in hall area by all bedrooms.
4. Screens required throughout on all openable windows.
5. No Insects.
6. Stair railings must have same closure measurements as exterior railings. (See exterior #10)
7. No plumbing leaks.
8. ABC Fire Extinguisher with readable gauge, must be mounted on wall or closet area by exterior exit, (not under kitchen sink).
9. Heater certification by registered contractor must be completed and submitted prior to inspection. Certification is not required for electric heat pumps.
10. Existing fireplace requires a chimney certification by a registered contractor and must be submitted prior to inspection.
11. Door Locks-interior locks or deadbolt locks must be turn lock only, they cannot be keyed from the inside. Slide bolt locks are also not permitted.
12. Code compliant means of egress required in basement, if sleeping is permitted.
13. Dryer vents must be aluminum and vented to the exterior.
14. Electrical – GFCI outlets required for all kitchen counter areas; does not go by distance measurements, washer area where laundry sink is present. All basements and garages require GFCI outlets unless finished with carpeting. All other areas cannot have open ground wiring; if open ground outlets exist, they must be returned to a two (2) wire outlet or grounded. Electric Panel must be properly labeled. All junction boxes must be covered.
15. Appliances must all be in working order. One (1) cooking appliance is required.

EXTERIOR OF HOUSE
1. Covered sewer/septic systems.
2. Sidewalk, driveways, apron, curbs patio or porches must be free from trip hazards.
3. All rubbish, garbage, brush etc. must be removed. The grass must be cut and maintained.
4. Accessory structures & all of exterior to be in good condition - paint, siding, roof etc. with no unfinished exposed wood areas.
5. All openable windows must open and be capable of remaining open. Screens are also required.
6. Trash & recycling cans required, (1 green & 1 blue).
7. Street numbers, minimum of 4" (blocked number only) placed horizontally next to front door on the house in contrast & visible from street.
8. Pools – permit required. Above ground pools of 24” or higher must be fenced with 4’ fence; if pool is over 4’ high, property fence is not required, however, the pool must have removable step area.
9. No junk vehicles on property, all must be operative, registered, inspected and insured. Parking is only permitted on driveway or street & not on lawn or any grassy surfaces.
10. Secure handrails & guardrails. All exterior step or deck area exceeding 30” in height requires railing with closure for no passage of a sphere 4" or more in diameter.
11. Electrical - All exterior property, garage and shed outlets must be GFCI.
12. Open firepits are not permitted.