

In pursuance of the provision of clause (3) of article 348 of the Constitution of India, the Governor is pleased to order the publication of the following English translation of Notification No. / Dehradun, dated: 2026 for general information.

Uttarakhand Government
Culture, Tourism and Sports Section-1

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Notification

Miscellaneous

In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of Section 20 of the Uttarakhand Tourism Development Board Act, 2001 (Uttarakhand Act No. 12 of 2001) and in supersession of the Uttarakhand Tourism and Travel Business Registration Rules, 2014 (as amended from time to time) and the Guest Uttarakhand Homestay Rules, 2015 (as amended from time to time) and all notifications and orders issued there under, the Governor is pleased to allow to make the following rules for determining the conditions for registration, permission, recognition and fees for similar works of tourism related businesses and institutions in the State of Uttarakhand, namely:-

The Uttarakhand Tourism and Travel Business Registration Rules, 2026

Chapter I
Preliminary

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| Short title, extent and commencement | 1. (1) These rules may be called the Uttarakhand Tourism and Travel Business Registration Rules, 2026.
(2) It shall extend to the whole of the State of Uttarakhand.
(3) It shall come into force at once. |
| Definitions | 2. (1) In these rules, unless there is anything repugnant in the subject or context:-
(a) " Act " means the Uttarakhand Tourism Development Board Act, 2001 (Uttarakhand Act No. 12 of 2001) (as amended from time to time);
(b) " Applicant " means person/ group of persons firm/company etc. who apply for registration of his/its tourism unit under these rules;
(c) " Appellate Authority " means the officer nominated by the Additional Chief Executive Officer or Chief Executive Officer Uttarakhand Tourism Development Board. |

- (d) **"Board"** means the Uttarakhand Tourism Development Board;
- (e) **"Competent/Revising Officer"** means the Chief Executive Officer, Uttarakhand Tourism Development Board;
- (f) **"Gazette"** means the Gazette of the State of Uttarakhand;
- (g) **"Government"** means the State Government of Uttarakhand;
- (h) **"Local Authority"** means a development authority, a Municipal Corporation or a Municipal Council or a Cantonment Board or a Nagar Panchayat or a Gram Panchayat or a Special Area Development Authority;
- (i) **"misconduct"** includes fraud, false presentation abstracting tourism facility, charging rent or remuneration in excess of the fixed rent, not displaying the rates of rent, not issuing cash memos/receipts, not providing facilities/services as per the agreement or as promised, providing substandard equipment and not providing skilled/technical personnel, etc;
- (j) **"Prescribed Authority"** means the officer nominated by the District Tourism Development Officer/Regional Tourism Officer/Officer Chief Executive Officer.
- (k) **"Registration Certificate"** means a certificate issued under these rules;
- (l) **"State"** means the State of Uttarakhand;
- (m) **"Tourist"** means any person or group of persons who are Indian domestic/foreign travelers/ tourists/ participants in adventure activities travelling in the State of Uttarakhand;
- (n) **"Tourism and travel business"** means the following tourism units :-

(1) Residential related unit, namely:—

Hotels, Motels/Road Facilities, Resorts/Health-Spa Resorts, Timeshare Apartment, Motor Caravans, Guest/Traveller Rest Houses, Lodge, Cottage/Tent Colony/Nature Camps, River/Lake Cruises/House Boats, Dharamshalas, Aashram, Homestays, Bed & Breakfasts, Flotels, Heritage Hotels.. Yoga/Ayurveda/Naturopathy Resorts, Tourist Villages, Service Apartments community based tourism unit etc.

(i) "Hotel" means a commercial tourism unit providing accommodation, food, hospitality and other services to travelers and having, clean toilets, drinking water, power backup and fire safety facilities and building construction is per the rules;

(ii) 'Motel/Roadside Facility' means a residential and tourist-oriented unit located on travelling passenger/transportation routes and provides accommodation including vehicle parking, night stay, clean toilets, drinking water and food to tourists, drivers and transit passengers;

(iii) "Resort" means a tourism unit located in a natural or recreational environment and provides accommodation, and leisure facilities;

(iv) 'Health-Spa Resort' means such tourism unit which provides spa, wellness, naturopathy or health-oriented services in addition to residential and food facilities.

(v) 'Timeshare Apartment' means such tourism unit in which the residential use rights are shared and legally owned by one or more registered members/users on a predetermined periodic basis.

(vi) 'Motor caravan' means a specially constructed vehicle equipped with basic amenities of accommodation, sanitation and food for passengers and intended to be used for the purpose of tourist accommodation, both in mobile and stationary mode.

(vii) 'Guest / Travelers Rest House/ Guest House/Lodge' means a residential unit which provides accommodation with limited services to tourists;

(viii) 'Cottage/Tent Colony/Nature Camp' means a temporary or semi-permanent residential unit located in a natural environment and provides cottage tent based accommodation and nature activities to tourists along with necessary security and sanitation facilities and having rain water harvesting, solar energy, clean toilets and waste management system:

Explanation: Forest and environmental clearance shall be mandatory for said operation in a protected area.

(ix) 'River/Lake Cruise/Houseboat' means a tourism unit operating in a river/lake/ permitted water body with prescribed standard and provide boat/ship based accommodation, excursion and hospitality services to tourists;

(x) 'Dharamshala/ Ashram' means a residential unit run by individuals, organisations or trusts and provides basic accommodation and essential facilities to pilgrims/tourists on a minimal fee or donation basis and without any profit making objective;

(xi) 'Homestay' means a residential building owned by permanent residents of Uttarakhand in Nagar Panchayat and rural areas, in whose premises or building the owner/the family of owner himself resides permanently and provides residential and food facilities with necessary amenities to tourists;

(xii) "Bed and Breakfast" means such residential unit located in rural and urban areas, in which the owner may or may not reside in the unit himself but provides accommodation and breakfast facility to tourists through an operator/manager/commercial service provider unit authorized by him through a registered contract;

(xiii) 'Floatel' means a water-based tourist accommodation unit operated on a river, lake or permitted water body and having electricity, water supply, sanitation, waste management and sustainability/safety measures,

Explanation:- Such unit shall operate subject to water transport, environmental and safety guidelines and shall operate on approval from the competent /Local Authority;

(xiv) 'Heritage Hotel' means a tourist accommodation unit operated in a palace, fort, mansion, building or historical structure constructed before 1950, in which the original architectural form, exterior appearance and craftsmanship are preserved and whose renovation is done in the traditional style:

Explanation: Permission of the concerned heritage authority shall be mandatory for any alteration.

(xv) 'Yoga/Ayurveda/Naturopathy Resort' means a tourism unit which provides AYUSH based treatment, yoga, health improvement programmes, accommodation and medical facilities and has treatment rooms, rest areas and trained/registered doctors in the establishment;

Explanation: The unit must have NABH/AYUSH department accreditation and permission from the competent authority;

(xvi) 'Tourist Village' means a project which provides an experience of rural life, food, art-culture, handicrafts and traditional activities and which consists local material based manufacturing, cultural presentation area, handicrafts sale centre and community-based participatory arrangement, establishment of employment-oriented training and information centre shall be mandatory;

(xvii) 'Service Apartment' means such furnished flat/room available for short or long term rental and which provides housekeeping, front desk, security, water and electricity facilities and other services and which shall be operated on commercial basis. The map should be approved by the local authority in the service apartment category;

(xviii) "Community based tourism unit" means a group or cluster consisting of at least 8 to 10 homestay unit locates in a particular tourist destination /village/ group of villages (group/cluster means 3 to 6 villages). The purpose of establishing these units is to promote tourism activities within the local communities. The organization must be legally recognized entity in accordance with local rules as registered society, cooperative society or community based organization. The Board will invite application from interested community tourism organization for selection process, time to time.

(2) Travel trade related unit, namely:-

Travel agency and tour operators,

(i) 'Travel agency' means such unit that provides services such as travel tickets, hotel booking, transportation and other tourist assistance service to tourists/travelers on commission or fee;

(ii) "Tour operator" means such unit which organises and operates in a coordinated manner excursion programmes, package tours, guiding, accommodation, transportation and other tourism ancillary services;

(3) Recreational related unit namely,-

Entertainment/Theme/ Parks, Amusement Sound and Light Show, Star Gazing, Golf Course, Convention/MICE Centres rope ways etc.

(i) 'Theme and Amusement Park' means a facility which provides theme based structures, rides, adventure games, shows, water sports or other recreational activities for entertainment.

(ii) 'Sound and light show' means a unit in which historical, cultural or spiritual subject matter is displayed through sound, light and visual techniques.

(iii) "Star gazing" means any tourist activity involving observation of celestial bodies through telescopes, observatories or scientific instruments.

(iv) 'Golf course' means a sports and tourism complex having terrain, facilities and club house for playing golf as per defined standards.

(v) 'Convention/MICE Centre' means a complex/tourism unit equipped with infrastructure for meetings, conferences and exhibitions, including auditorium, audio-visual system, recording system and trained staff and whose construction standards is as per local building regulations, fire safety and capacity norms.

(vi) 'Ropeway' means a unit which provides transportation facility to tourists/ travelers upto linked destination through trolley/ cabin / chairs with support of steel cables in air.

(4) Adventure Tourism Related Unit namely-

Adventure Tour Operator White Water Kayaking, Yachting, Boating (Water Sports), Water Skiing, Fly Board, Jet Ski, Snow Skiing, Trekking, Mountaineering, Rock / Artificial Wall Climbing, Mountain Biking, ATB, Para Sailing / Paragliding, Bungee Jumping, Hot Air Ballooning, Flying Fox, Ice Skating, Adventure Club, River Rafting, Zip Line, Rope Cycling, Giant Swing, Paramotor, Kayaking Training Centre and Adventure Theme Park etc.

(i) 'Adventure tour' operator means a tourism organisation that provides adventure tourism services in a planned manner including adventure activities, expeditions and related safety management.

(ii) 'Adventure Tourism Activity Unit' means a tourism unit which operates land, water and air based adventure activities with trained personnel, technical equipment, first aid, safety system and insurance cover; the operation shall be subject to the permission of the competent authority, safety standards and disaster management protocols;

Explanation:- Tourism units/activities which are not defined in these rules may be defined by the State Government from time to time through notification as per requirement.

(5) Other unit namely:-

Yoga Meditation Centre/Sadhana Kutir with residential facility, Tourist Information Centre, Nature/Adventure Photography, Handicraft/Souvenir Shop etc.

(i) "Tourism unit operator" means all person/entity engaged in the business of tourism and travel as mentioned in clause (n) who owns or operates a tourism unit and it includes the owner or persons managing or operating it on his behalf;

(ii) "Authentic Map" means the map of the building/structure certified from local Development Authority/District Development Authority/ Municipal Corporation/ Municipality/ Nagar Panchayat/ District Panchayat/ Special Area Development Authority/Area

Kshettra Panchayat and I.I.T etc. as determined by the Government from time to time.

(2) Words and expressions used in these rules but not defined shall have the same meaning as assigned to them in the Uttarakhand Tourism Development Board Act, 2001.

Relaxation

3. Public premises used for general public purposes or non-commercial premises designated for religious or general public purposes by a public trust or local body or administrative department or public premises designated for general public purposes or non-commercial rest house, dak bungalow, circuit house, inspection house under the management of the Government or local body/authority or any other administrative department shall not be covered under these rules.

Chapter-II

Registration procedure , conditions, fee, restriction etc.

Application procedure and terms for registration

4. (1) For different purposes, the applicant shall have to apply on the departmental website of Board, the registration fee (non-transferable) for the unit shall be payable as follows:-
- (I) Rs. 10000/- for tourism units other than residential units
 - (II) For residential units
 - (a) Rs. 5000/- for residential unit of 01 to 09 rooms,
 - (b) Rs. 10000/- for residential unit of 10 to 19 rooms,
 - (c) Rs. 20000/- for residential unit of 20 to 49 rooms,
 - (d) Rs. 30000/- for residential unit of 50 or more rooms,
 - (III) Rs. 5000/- for Bed and Breakfast;
 - (IV) Rs. 1000/- for Home Stay.
- (2) The prescribed authority shall charge the prescribed registration fee as determined by the Board from time to

time. The Board may revise the registration fee every five years or as required.

(3) No person/businessman shall operate his new tourism unit unless it is registered under the provisions of these Rules.

(4) The owner/manager of a unit established before the date of commencement of these rules shall have to apply for registration within 180 days of the implementation of these rules.

(5) The applicant must have a well-equipped office for tourism and travel business, which should have sitting arrangements for tourists, telephone and public facilities etc. (This shall not be applicable for Home Stay and Bed and Breakfast units).

(6) Applicants wishing to register in adventure tourism must have the required technical equipment, safety and rescue equipment. Such applicants must provide an affidavit stating that they possess the required technical equipment, safety and rescue equipment for operating adventure tourism.

(7) The residential unit must be properly clean, protected with fire safety equipment (one fire appliance per room) and soundly constructed.

(8) It shall be mandatory for the owner/manager of the tourism unit to inform the prescribed authority about the permanent closure of the registered tourism unit.

(9) In case of joint building/ property, application for registration may be made only with the consent no objection of the co-sharers.

(10) On receipt of the application, the prescribed authority of the concerned district shall examine it and the registration process of the applied unit in various categories shall be done on the basis of the provisions of these rules.

(11)(i) The units registered under Home Stay and Bed and Breakfast category shall be classified into the following three categories.

Serial No.	Category
01	Gold
02	Silver
03	Bronze

The quality of services being provided by the unit, the condition of the unit and the facilities shall be assessed and registered in categories as per the parameters Annexure-1 prepared by Board for rating of home stay units.

(ii) For Homestay, character certificate of the building owner issued by the District Administration, which should not be more than 6 months old, along with affidavit mentioned in Appendix 2, shall have to be provided.

For Bed and Breakfast, the authorized operator/manager/professional service provider shall have to provide the police verification / character certificate along with an affidavit according to Appendix-4. For registration of unit rating shall be done according to Annexure-3 parameter in various categories.

(iii) A unit registered under Home Stay and Bed and Breakfast shall have a maximum of eight rooms and a minimum of one. Two or one additional bed may be provided as needed. In no case shall the number of beds exceed 24:

Provided that in a Bed and Breakfast operated as a dormitory, a maximum of 4 beds can be provided in a room, but the total number of beds shall not exceed 24.

(iv) If the Bed and Breakfast unit is located within a residential society, the unit owner/authorized operator/manager/professional service provider must reside in the premises. A No Objection Certificate from the residential society is required for registration.

(v) Room rents for Home Stay or Bed and Breakfast units must be determined based on the amenities available in the unit. The building owner/operator must provide

information regarding the maximum accommodation rates charged in the unit to the prescribed authority.

(12) In case of partnership firm/company/institution/society etc. the authority letter (Power of Attorney)/ affidavit of no objection shall be required to be submitted from the partners other the applicant along with the application form.

(13) If the owner/manager operating the tourism unit wishes to make any expansion, alteration, reduction/addition of room in the unit, he shall, after such expansion/alteration and before operation apply online to the prescribed authority along with the required forms for correction and the previously issued registration certificate. The prescribed authority shall dispose of the complete application received from the concerned unit within 60 days on the basis of merit.

(14) The responsibility for proper disposal of uneaten waste in the unit premises shall be of the home owner/operator/ manager/ registered lessee service provider.

(15) For the registration of three star and higher status hotels/resorts etc., it shall be mandatory to establish a Yoga wing and employ yoga trained staff of the State in it.

(16) The tourism and travel business unit must have adequate parking space. Adequate parking means that if the Home Stay/Bed and Breakfast has one room, there should be a minimum of one car parking. Each additional room should have parking space for one additional car. If the unit lacks adequate parking, the unit owner operator shall arrange for adequate and secure parking for tourist vehicles.

(17) Travel Agent/ Domestic tour operator/ Adventure operator and other non-tourism residential unit shall have to provide Affidavit as per Annexure 5.

(18) Except Homestay, Bed and breakfast other all tourism residential unit shall have to provide Affidavit as per Annexure-6.

**Restrictions on
Residential
related Units**

5. The Building owner / residential unit operator shall not encourage or promote any activity that causes inconvenience to nearby residents, violates their rights, or infringes their privacy. He shall not disseminate misleading information regarding the unit and shall not engage in any form of irregularity. The owner/operator of the unit shall be responsible for providing information to foreign tourists as per the police department's arrangements. It shall be mandatory to compile an authentic visitor register to record the details of tourists staying in the unit and to obtain identity cards of the tourists:

Provided that in respect of homestay unit, the owner of the building shall not setup a reception counter in the stay (home) like in a hotel.

**Responsibilities of
guests**

6. (1) The guest shall have to provide a copy of identity proof (Identification Certificate) such as Passport, Aadhar Card, Voter Card, Driving License, PAN Card etc. as are recognized as identity proof from time to time, to the residential unit operator.
- (2) The guest shall compulsorily enter the appropriate information required in the visitor register maintained there.
- (3) During his stay in the residential unit, he shall not indulge in any activity which disturbs the administrative/social order and communal harmony.

Chapter-III

Issue/renewal of registration certificate etc.

**Approval of
Registration**

7. (1) The prescribed authority shall, after due scrutiny of applications received in its office for various purposes, proceed with registration or provide reasons for cancellation and dispose of the application within 60 days.
- (2) The prescribed authority unless it refuses shall issue a certificate of registration to the tourism unit operator as per rules.

**Registration
period and
renewal**

8. (1) Unless the registration is refused to any applicant by the prescribed authority, he shall be issued a registration certificate for a period of 05 years as per the rules, which shall be auto renewed after 05 years on the basis of merits and on depositing the fee prescribed in rule 4(1) :

Provided that the registration of the already registered units whose registration period has completed 05 years shall have to be renewed under the amended rules:

Provided further that the registration of other previously registered units whose registration period is less than 5 years shall be renewed after a period of 5 years. The previously registered/ renewed units under Home Stay whose registration/ renewal was done for two years shall have to apply for registration/ renewal in the relevant unit (Home Stay/Bed and Breakfast) under this rules, three month before the expiry date of registration/ renewal.

(2) Prescribed authority shall dispose of the received application form within 60 days on the basis of merit.

**Denial of
registration of
tourism unit
operator**

9. (1) The prescribed authority may refuse to register a tourism unit operator under these rules or, as the case may be, on any of the following grounds, if:
- (a) the tourism unit operator is convicted of an offence punishable under any provision of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023 or for hoarding, smuggling or profiteering or adulteration of food and drugs, or any law providing for the prevention of corruption, and two years have not passed since the expiry of the sentence imposed on him.
 - (b) the tourism unit operator is declared insolvent by a court of competent jurisdiction and has not been discharged;
 - (c) the name of the tourism unit operator has been removed from the register on the grounds mentioned in clause (c), (d), (e) and (g) of sub rule (1) of rule 10 and three months have not passed from the date of such removal;
 - (d) the premises of the tourism unit do not conform to the prescribed standards (as per geographical location);

- (e) the traveler agent or guide or adventure tourist operator does not possess any qualification from amongst the required qualification;
- (f) in case tourism unit operator does not provide self declaration affidavit of completion with the building construction provision/rules/bye-laws as per rules;
- (g) in the opinion on prescribed authority adequate reason for recording in written for refusing the registration exists.

(2) That no application for registration shall be refused unless the person applying for registration has been given an opportunity of being heard;

Cancellation of the registration of the tourism unit and issuance of notice

10. (1) The prescribed authority may, on any of the following grounds, by an order in writing, cancel the certificate of registration of any tourism unit issued under rule 7, if:-
- (a) In case of voluntary closure of the tourism unit or non-operation for a period of more than one year;
 - (b) In case of conviction for any offence punishable under the provisions of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita,
 - (c) In case of being declared insolvent by a competent court,
 - (d) In case of non-compliance with any provision of these rules;
 - (e) Failure to remove a nuisance tourist/traveler who is causing nuisance to persons residing in or around a tourism unit or knowingly keeping such a riotous in his unit;
 - (f) Any complaint of misconduct is received against him and it is confirmed;
 - (g) In case of obtaining a certificate of registration by fraud or deceit;
- (2) That before canceling the name from the register, the prescribed authority shall issue a notice to the tourism unit owner/ operator giving him a final opportunity of being heard, stating the clear reasons thereof.

Inspection rights of the tourism unit

11. In case of non-compliance/implementation of any provisions of these rules, the competent officer authorized

by the prescribed authority may enter the premises of that tourism unit with the consent of the operator and inspect the registers and bill books.

Chapter IV

Responsibilities and duties of the tourism unit operator

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12. (1) The tourism unit operator and its employees shall be required to strictly follow these rules and provisions at all times.
- (2) Each tourism unit operator must inform the prescribed authority of the fixed rates for the facilities provided and the service charges collected from tourists/customers. If any changes to the current tariff is made then its information shall be given to the prescribed authority within one week and shall mandatory be displayed at the reception/office.
- (3) Every tourism unit operator shall have to keep a complaint/suggestion book in the reception room of his office/unit and home stay and bed and breakfast owner/operator shall have to keep a complaint/suggestion book in the common area of his unit as prevalent and shall have to provide a feedback link for complaints/suggestions on the website/social media platforms.
- (4) It shall be mandatory for every tourism unit/operator to upload/enter the number of domestic/foreign tourists/tourism statistics on the prescribed format on the website of Board by the 7th of every month.
- (5) Every tourism unit operator shall have to provide employment to the residents of Uttarakhand in his unit as per the orders issued by the Government from time to time.
- (6) Each adventure tourism unit operator must submit details of all Indian - foreign guides/senior guides/instructors/skilled technical personnel to the local police station. The tourism unit operator shall be responsible for the activities of the foreign personnel, for which a written undertaking must be provided to the local police station.

- (7) No tourism unit operator shall charge more than the prescribed rates, notwithstanding any agreement to the contrary.
- (8) The tourism unit operator shall present a detailed bill to the person/tourist/customer (as the case may be) availing the service and shall give the original receipt of the amount received, the duplicate copy of which shall be kept safe with him in the receipt book.
- (9) Every tourism unit operator shall immediately inform the local District Administration/Police Station through rapid communication in case of any accident/unfortunate incident.
- (10) It shall be mandatory for every tourism unit owner/operator/manager to display the registration certificate containing the QR Code allotted by the Board at the reception/office room and in the common area of the home stay and bed-breakfast unit which should be clearly visible to the tourists.
- (11) No tourism unit operator or any person employed by him shall demand any tip, gratuity, gift or commission from the person availing the services or the tourist except at the rates as fixed under sub-rule (2).
- (12) For all tourism units operating in the commercial category, except those registered in the Home Stay category, it shall be the sole responsibility of the owner/operator to bear all applicable taxes, fees and statutory liabilities, including commercial water tax, commercial electricity tax and commercial property tax. In case of any irregularity in this regard or any adverse action by the concerned department, the department shall be free to take action/cancel the registration as per rules.
- (13) All tourism units mentioned in these rules, whether commercial or non-commercial, shall have to ensure full compliance with the provisions of the Uttarakhand Goods and Services Tax Act, 2017, as applicable for the time being.

- (14) In units operated through caretakers, police verification of the caretaker shall be mandatory.
- (15) In view of the safety of women, it shall be mandatory for all residential units to display the Police Women Helpline No. i.e. 9411112780, 112, Gaura Shakti App and local police station phone number in all units mentioned in rule 2(n) in at least A3 size at the reception of their unit/office and for Home Stay and Bed & Breakfast units, it shall be mandatory to display it in the common area of the building, which should be easily visible to the tourists.
- (16) It shall be the responsibility of every adventure tourism unit operator to compulsorily insure every tourist/employee/domestic-foreigner and every state guide/instructor/porter/skilled technical personnel, which shall be determined by the Government/ Board from time to time by its order.

Chapter V

Benefits allowed to Buildings Registered under Home Stay and Bed and Breakfast

Benefits allowed to buildings registered under Home Stay and Bed and Breakfast

13. (1) Residential units registered as homestays shall be considered completely non-commercial. Taxes such as water, electricity, and house tax shall be charged at non-commercial/domestic rates.
- (2) Homestay /Bed & Breakfast registered accommodation units shall be disseminated through the website of the Tourism Department.
- (3) Capacity building and training of the owners of Homestay/Bed & Breakfast registered residential units may be done by the department as per requirement.

CHAPTER VI

OFFENCES AND PENALTIES

Penalty for default in registration

14. Any person carrying on any business related to tourism or tourism business without proper registration under these rules or in contravention of any of the provisions of these rules shall be punishable with a penalty of ten thousand rupees and if the contravention continues, prescribed

authority may impose the penalty of one thousand rupees for every day during which the default continues.

Penalty for false statement

15. If any person required to make a statement under these rules knowingly makes a false statement or conceals any material fact with the intention of misleading the prescribed authority, then the prescribed authority may impose the penalty of ten thousand rupees.

Certificate not to be assigned / renewal without permission

16. Any person who, without the written permission of the prescribed authority, lends, transfers or assigns a certificate of registration issued under these rules or does not renew the registration within the prescribed period shall be punishable with a penalty of ten thousand rupees.

Producing certificate

17. (1) Any operator/ owner of unit registered under these rules shall, at any time, produce his certificate of registration on demand by any of the following persons:-
- (a) prescribed authority or any officer duly authorised by it in this behalf; and
 - (b) any authority authorized by the Government or any officer authorized by the Chief Executive Officer, Board, and
 - (c) Actual Customers / Tourists / Guests.
- (2) If any unit engaged in tourism and travel business refuses to produce or allow the person/persons mentioned in sub-rule (1) to show or read his certificate on demand shall be liable with a penalty of five thousand rupees.
- (3) The owner/operator of a residential unit registered under these rules, if found using a visitor register without the one certified by the prescribed authority or using more than one register at a time shall be liable to penalty of ten thousand rupees.

Penalty for misconduct

18. Under these rules, if the owner commits misconduct or violates the provisions of these rules or any other provision for which no specific penalty has been provided, he shall be punishable with a penalty of ten thousand rupees. In case of continuing default, the registration certificate may be cancelled or suspended and after cancellation of registration, if the unit is operated without registration within the stipulated time limit and after

directing for registration, the unit shall be declared illegal, and the concerned department/ departments shall be informed by prescribed authority for appropriate action against the illegal unit.

**Obstruction of
lawful authority**

19. If any person wilfully obstructs or offers any resistance or otherwise interferes with the discharge of the duties of the prescribed authority or any other officer authorized by it to exercise any powers or perform any duties conferred or imposed on him in pursuance of these rules, he shall be liable to penalty of one thousand rupees.

**Recovery of
penalty**

20. In case of non-payment of penalties imposed under these rules, its recovery may be made as an arrears of Land revenue.

**Protection of
action taken in
good faith**

21. No suit, prosecution or other legal proceedings shall lie against the Board and any officer or other employs acting under these rules for anything which is done or intended to be done in good faith under these rules or any order or other regulation made under these rules.

Chapter VII

Appeal and Revision

Appeal

22. (1) Subject to the provisions of Chapter VI of these rules, an appeal against every order of the prescribed authority under these rules shall lie to the Appellate Authority.

- (2) Every such appeal shall be presented within 60 days from the date of communication of the order:

Provided that the Appellate Authority may entertain the appeal after the expiry of the said period of 60 days, if it is satisfied that the appellant was prevented by reasonable cause from filing the appeal in time.

- (3) The appellant shall have the right to be represented by an advocate or a duly authorized agent and the prescribed authority may be represented by such officer or person as the prescribed authority may appoint.

- (4) On receipt of an appeal, the Appellate Authority shall, after giving the appellant a reasonable opportunity of being heard and after making such inquiry as it deems fit and recording the reasons therefor, pass such order as it deems fit.

Revision

23. The Revision Authority may, on its own motion or on an application made by the aggrieved party, call for the records of the case disposed of by the Appellate Authority for the purpose of satisfying itself as to the, validity or propriety of any order passed by the Appellate Authority and thereupon pass such order as it deems fit and such order shall be final:

Provided that no such application for revision shall be entertained after the expiry of a period of three months from the date of passing of the order by the Appellate Authority:

Provided further that the Revision Authority may, on its own motion, call for the record of any matter decided by any authority or pending before it and pass such order as it may deem fit:

Provided also that no order under this rules prejudicial to any person shall be passed unless he is given a reasonable opportunity of being heard either in person or through an advocate or through a duly authorised agent.

Chapter VIII

Miscellaneous

Notification of modification

24. (1) If there is a change in the succession of a tourism unit for which a registration certificate has been obtained, an online application for the necessary changes in the certificate shall be made within thirty days of such change, surrendering the previously issued certificate.
- (2) The prescribed authority shall, after due scrutiny of the application, shall dispose the application within sixty days from the date of application on the basis of merit.
- (3) Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-rule (1), the prescribed authority may cancel the registration of any person in whose favour the certificate was

originally issued, if his successor is not eligible to be registered under these rules.

**Return of
registration
certificate**

25. When a certificate of registration is cancelled under these rules, the person holding the certificate shall return it to the prescribed authority within thirty days from the date of service of the cancellation certificate in the prescribed manner.

**Duplicate
Certificate**

26. If the registration certificate issued under these rules is lost, damaged or destroyed, the prescribed authority may issue a duplicate copy of the certificate on an application made in this behalf by the holder of such certificate on payment of an application fee of Rs. 500/-.

**Full opportunity
of being heard**

27. In case of non-compliance/implementation of any provisions by the tourism unit operator, the competent authority shall have the right to suspend or cancel the registration, but before taking the final decision, the other party shall be given full opportunity of being heard.

**Power of the
Board to enforce
the Rules on other
persons**

28. The Board may, by notification, direct that all or any of the provisions of these rules or the rules made thereunder, with such exceptions, adaptations or modifications as may be considered necessary, shall apply to persons engaged in the business of taking outdoor photographs, renting or plying of houseboats, canoes, shikaras, dandies, pithoos, ponies in the State of Uttarakhand or such other persons as may be specified in the notification and the prescribed authority may fix the rates to be charged for the services rendered.

**Power to make
orders in certain
cases**

29. The Board may pass orders regarding the following:
- (1) Registers, books and forms to be maintained by tourism unit operators for conducting business.
 - (2) The format of the online application form for registration and other necessary documents required under these rules and the format of the certificate may be determined as per the requirement.
 - (3) Manner of giving notice under these rules.

- (4) Eligibility for registration as different activities operated by the tourism unit operator.
- (5) Safety measures and standards to be followed in the conduct of adventure sports and the facilities to be provided.
- (6) Standards for maintaining hygienic and sanitary waste disposal and minimum amenities in various types of tourism units.
- (7) Manner of publishing the names and addresses of tourism unit operators where registration certificate has been cancelled.
- (8) The manner in which the fair rates fixed shall be displayed, the types of tickets and receipts to be issued to the prescribed authority, the accounts and returns thereof to be submitted and maintained, the collection and deposit of license fees, renewal fees and other dues.
- (9) The Board shall have full right to change/ amend the terms and conditions or these rules from time to time with prior approval of the State Government.
- (10) In case of any dispute under these rules, the decision of the Chief Executive Officer, Board shall be final and binding.
- (11) If any doubt, ambiguity or dispute arises regarding interpretation of any rule/ sub rule/ provision of these rules, the interpretation given by the Board shall be final and binding.
- (12) If Board is satisfied that the strict compliance of any provision of these rules causes undue hardship to any person or class, it may, by order for reason to be recorded in writing relax those provisions with prior approval of the State Government.

By Order,


Dhiraj Singh Garbyal
Secretary

Annexure-1

Checklist for registration of Home Stay under Uttarakhand Tourism and Travel Business, Registration Rules, 2026

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For Home Stay registration

(On non-judicial stamp paper of Rs. 100)

Affidavit

Before:- District Tourism Development Officer / Prescribed Authority, District

I/we.....Son/Daughter/Wife of Shri.....

Resident of..... declare that-

1-That my/our above name and address are correct and true.

2-That I/We are permanent residents of the State of Uttarakhand.

3-That I/We are willing to register my residential building situated at (address). (number of rooms in addition to the additional rooms located for own use) as Home Stay under Uttarakhand Tourism and Travel Business, Registration Rules, 2026.

4-That the said residential building is my/our own complete personal ownership, on which there is no dispute or dispute regarding ownership.

5. That there is no dispute regarding the map approval/construction of my/our building, or that the building was constructed prior to the formation of the building authority/local body, and therefore the map is not available/not approved. The building is useful for providing accommodation to tourists. In the event of any dispute arising regarding the above, I/we shall be responsible for it. In such a situation, the prescribed authority shall have full authority to cancel the registration certificate under this scheme.

6-That I/We have carefully read the provisions/rules/sub-rules/conditions made in the Uttarakhand Tourism and Travel Business, Registration Rules, 2026 and amendments issued from time to time, and I/We shall be fully bound to ensure their complete compliance.

- Declaration-

All the facts stated above are true and correct; no material fact has been concealed. If any of these facts are found to be false, I/We shall be solely responsible for it. In such a situation, I/We shall have no objection to the cancellation of my/our entity's registration, nor shall I have the right to file any claim.

I/We, the deponent, today, accept that all the terms and conditions of the above written affidavit are true and correct on dated.....

Name

Signature Deponent

Date

Annexure-3

Checklist for registration of Bed and breakfast under Uttarakhand Tourism and Travel Business, Registration Rules, 2026

S.n.	Description (Preference shall be given to buildings built in local architectural style)	Urban			Rural			Remark
		gold	silver	bronze	gold	silver	bronze	
1	Well-equipped house and guest room with high quality furniture, accessories etc. to enhance the traditional lifestyle Keeping in mind	compulsory	compulsory	compulsory	compulsory	compulsory	compulsory	
2	that adequate parking arrangements	compulsory	compulsory	compulsory	compulsory	compulsory	compulsory	
3	The unit shall have a minimum of one room and a maximum of eight rooms, with two to a maximum of 24 beds. All rooms must be clean, moisture-free, and well-ventilated.	compulsory	compulsory	compulsory	compulsory	compulsory	compulsory	
4	Minimum area in square feet for each room.	120	120	100	100	100	80	
5	Good quality comfortable beds with Indian design.	compulsory	compulsory	compulsory	compulsory	compulsory	compulsory	
6	Every establishment shall have (a) bathroom and toilet facilities	compulsory	compulsory	compulsory	compulsory	compulsory	compulsory	
	(b) Each room shall have	compulsory	compulsory	optional	compulsory	compulsory	optional	

For Bed and Breakfast registration

(On non-judicial stamp paper of Rs. 100)

Affidavit

Before:- District Tourism Development Officer / Prescribed Authority, District

I/we.....Son/Daughter/Wife of Shri.....

Resident of..... declare that-

1-That my/our above name and address are correct and true.

2-That I/We are permanent residents of the State of Uttarakhand.

3-That I/We are willing to register my residential building situated at (address). (number of rooms in addition to the additional rooms located for own use) as bed and breakfast under Uttarakhand Tourism and Travel Business, Registration Rules, 2026.

4-That the said residential building is my/our own complete personal ownership, on which there is no dispute or dispute regarding ownership.

5. That there is no dispute regarding the map approval/construction of my/our building, or that the building was constructed prior to the formation of the building authority/local body, and therefore the map is not available/not approved. The building is useful for providing accommodation to tourists. In the event of any dispute arising regarding the above, I/we shall be responsible for it. In such a situation, the prescribed authority shall have full authority to cancel the registration certificate under this scheme.

6-That I/We have carefully read the provisions/rules/sub-rules/conditions made in the Uttarakhand Tourism and Travel Business, Registration Rules, 2026 and amendments issued from time to time, and I/We shall be fully bound to ensure their complete compliance.

- Declaration-

All the facts stated above are true and correct; no material fact has been concealed. If any of these facts are found to be false, I/We shall be solely responsible for it. In such a situation, I/We shall have no objection to the cancellation of my/our entity's registration, nor shall I have the right to file any claim.

I/We, the deponent, today, accept that all the terms and conditions of the above written affidavit are true and correct on dated.....

Name

signature Deponent

Date

(for Travel Agent / Domestic Tour Operator / Adventure Operator and other non-residential tourism unit)

(On non-judicial stamp paper of Rs. 100)

Affidavit

Before the District Tourism Development Officer / Prescribed Authority, District

I/we.....Son/Daughter/Wife of Shri.....resident
of..... hereby declare on oath that:-

- 1-That the name and address of the deponent are correct and true.
- 2-That I/We own my unit (name of the unit)..... Address of the unit.....willing to register under Uttarakhand Tourism and Travel Business Registration Rules-2026.
- 3-That the deponent has the required technical safety and security equipment for running the adventure tourism/travel business.
- 4-That the deponent has the required technical/skilled personnel available for running the adventure tourism/travel business.
- 5-That no business shall be carried on in a manner inconsistent with the terms of the business authorized.
- 6-That no such activity shall be encouraged or carried on in the registered unit which may cause inconvenience to the nearby residents, violate their rights or infringe upon their privacy.
- 7-Compliance of all instructions issued from time to time by the concerned departments/government regarding the operation of the unit shall be ensured.
- 8-That the deponent has thoroughly read the provisions/rules/sub-rules/conditions made in the Uttarakhand Tourism and Travel Business Registration Rules-2026 and the amendments issued from time to time, which shall be fully complied with.

- Declaration-

That Para No. 1 to 8 are true and correct to the best of my/our knowledge and nothing material has been concealed.

If any fact is found to be false in this, then the responsibility for that shall be of the deponent and if any fact in the above point is found to be false, the District Tourism Development Officer/prescribed authority shall have full right to cancel the registration letter issued to me/human for running the said unit, to which I/we shall have no objection, nor shall we have the right to submit any claim.

I/We the deponent hereby todayundertake accept that all the facts are true and correct.

Name:

Signature Deponent:

Date:

For all residential units (except Home Stays and Bed and Breakfasts)

(On non-judicial stamp paper of Rs. 100)

Affidavit

Before:- District Tourism Development Officer/Prescribed Authority District

I/we.....Son/Daughter/Wife of Shri.....Resident.....

hereby declare on oath that:-

1. That my/our above name and address are correct and true.
2. That I/We are willing to register my unit (name of unit)and addressunder the Uttarakhand Tourism and Travel Business Registration Rules, 2026, to provide accommodation to travelers/tourists. The said unit has..... rooms and..... beds.
3. That the documents/records submitted for registration of the unit (name of unit)....
..... under the Uttarakhand Tourism and Travel Business Registration Rules, 2026, such as Registry/Account Khatauni/Banaama/Lease Deed/Agreement/Power of Attorney, etc., are completely valid and true. If required, I/We shall be solely responsible for proving undisputed ownership of the said unit. The deponent(s) shall be responsible for any dispute regarding ownership.
4. The deponent has installed fire fighting equipment/devices in the unit that meet the standards.
5. The Deponent shall pay special attention to environmental protection/cleanliness, pollution control, and water harvesting/water conservation in the operation of the unit, and shall operate the unit in accordance with the standards.
6. That the deponent shall ensure compliance with all the instructions issued from time to time by the concerned departments/government regarding the operation of the said unit.
- 7- That the details of visitors coming to the unit shall be maintained in the register and on stay of foreign tourists, details of their passport/visa etc. in Form-C shall be made available to the concerned department like local intelligence unit/tourism department in time.
8. That no illegal commercial activities of any kind shall be conducted in the said unit. Rooms other than those registered shall not be rented out, and the unit's registration

certificate and the prescribed rental rates for the rooms in the unit shall be clearly displayed on the reception desk.

9. In case of violation/non-fulfillment of the rules and conditions of Hon'ble Court/National Green Tribunal/Competent Authority/Cantonment Board/Pollution Control Board/Fire Department/Food Department/FSSAI/National Highway/any other related department in respect of the said unit constructed for the purpose of providing residential facility to tourists, the prescribed authority shall have the authority to cancel the registration, to which I/we shall not have any objection.

10. That the registration certificate issued under the Uttarakhand Tourism and Travel Business Registration Rules, 2026 shall not be used as a legal document for verification of any claim of ownership etc. in any department/High Court etc.

11. That I and I have thoroughly read the provisions/rules/sub-rules/conditions made in the Uttarakhand Tourism and Travel Business Registration Rules-2026 and the amendments issued from time to time, which shall be fully complied with.

- Declaration-

That Para No. 1 to 11 are true and correct to my/our knowledge, no fact has been hidden, if any fact is found to be false in this, then the responsibility for that shall be of the deponent and if any fact in the above points is found to be false, the District Tourism Development Officer / prescribed authority shall have full right to cancel the registration letter issued for the operation of my/our said unit, on which I/we shall have no objection, nor shall we have the right to submit any claim.

I/We the deponent hereby todayundertake accept that all the facts are true and correct.

Name:

Signature Deponent:

Date: