Mayor's Emergency Rule #15

This rule is in accordance with the State of Hawai‘i Tenth Proclamation, State of Hawai‘i Eleventh Proclamation, and adopted pursuant HRS § 127A-25. This rule has the force and effect of law. Violation of this rule is a misdemeanor, subject to penalty per HRS § 127A-29.

Prohibition on Renting Vehicles

Unless an exemption is granted by the State of Hawai‘i or the County of Kauai, persons subject to self-quarantine are prohibited from renting motor vehicles, whether through a rental car company, online service, or through a peer-to-peer platform or car sharing service including but not limited to Turo and Zipcar. Any reservations or confirmation of reservations by a person subject to self-quarantine shall be presumed to be the rental of a motor vehicle in violation of this order.

Motor Vehicle Provider Responsibility

All persons who provide motor vehicles through a rental car company, online service, or through a peer-to-peer platform or car sharing service, shall be responsible for ensuring that they do not rent, lease, or otherwise provide any motor vehicle to any person subject to a self-quarantine, whether a visitor or returning resident, during the person’s period of self-quarantine.

Any person violates this section if the person intentionally, knowingly, or recklessly provides a motor vehicle through a car sharing service to a person subject to the self-quarantine.

It shall be the duty of all persons providing a motor vehicle to determine whether or not the person is seeking to obtain the vehicle during the person’s period of self-quarantine. It shall not be a defense to a violation of this section that a person providing a motor vehicle through a car sharing service did not know that the person seeking the motor vehicle was not subject to the mandatory self-quarantine.

Definitions

“Period of self-quarantine” means the period of time beginning when a person first enters the County of Kaua‘i and continuing for 14 days thereafter or the duration of the person’s presence in the County, whichever is shorter.

“Motor vehicle” means an automobile, motorcycle, moped, or other vehicle propelled by a motor, whether gasoline, electric, or hybrid, which is offered for rent or lease within the County of Kauai through any car sharing service.

Penalty per HRS § 127A-29

Any person violating any rule of the governor or mayor prescribed and promulgated pursuant to this chapter and having the force and effect of law, shall, if it shall be so stated in the rule, be guilty of a misdemeanor. Upon conviction, the person shall be fined not more than $5,000, or imprisoned not more than one year, or both.
Term:
Effective August 11, 2020 at 12:01 am, subject to modification.

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