

Use of Prescribed Terms in Tourist Traffic Act

The Tourist Traffic Acts 1939-2016 specify that where certain terms are used to describe tourist accommodation, the proprietor using those terms must register with Fáilte Ireland. Registration may also require compliance with whatever current regulations are in force for that tourist accommodation sector.

The Acts require Fáilte Ireland to maintain a public register of proprietors using the prescribed terms. The Register can be found on: www.failteireland.ie/supports/Get-quality-assured.aspx

Listed below are the prescribed terms listed in the Acts. For further information please contact qualityassurance@failteireland.ie

1. Hotel (1939)
2. Guest house or Guesthouse (1939)
3. Holiday Hostel or Holiday Home (1939)
4. Youth Hostel (1939)
5. Holiday Camp (1939)
6. Motor Hotel (1957) and also
 - a. as a motel
 - b. as a coach hotel
 - c. as a motor inn
 - d. as a motor court
 - e. as a tourist court
7. Caravan sites & camping sites (1966)
 - a. caravan park,
 - b. caravan camp
 - c. caravan centre
 - d. caravan estate
 - e. caravan court
 - f. caravanel
 - g. camping park
 - h. camping centre
 - i. camping estate
 - j. camping court
 - k. autocamp
 - l. Caravan Site
 - m. Camping Site
8. Holiday Cottages (1970 amendment of 1939 Act)
 - a. approved holiday cottage, or holiday cottage
 - b. approved holiday house, or holiday house
 - c. approved holiday home, or holiday home
 - d. approved holiday villa, or holiday villa
9. Holiday Apartments (1983) tourist apartment,
 - a. apartotel
 - b. holiday flat