

1. What is a Home stay?

A place where the owner of the establishment along with his/her family is physically residing in the same establishment. There any tourist can stay on payment for boarding and lodging and such accommodation is recognized as such by Tourism Corporation of Gujarat Limited.

2. Who is eligible for this scheme?

Home-owners who, together with their family, inhabit the same premises, which must be their principal place of residence. The owner shall let out not less than one room and not more than six rooms to paying guest consisting of twelve beds in all. Only those residential houses which exists before 31st March, 2014 will be eligible under this scheme. The scheme is eligible for the entire State.

3. What are the benefits of Home stay registration?

The owner/co-owner will get following benefits,

- (1) Home stay Establishment shall be exempt from Luxury Tax and Value Added Tax.
- (2) Domestic rates for electricity would be charged from the registered Home stay Establishment.
- (3) Domestic rates of municipal property tax and water tax would be charged from the registered Home stay Establishment.
- (4) TCGL shall give one time short training as well as marketing guidance and support in general

4. Is online Registration possible for Home Stay?

Yes, if a person interested in doing so can simply log on to www.gujarattourism.com and apply through Home Stay Registration Form. However physical verification will be on site and only after verification, decision will be taken.

5. Are there any registration fees?

- a. Along with the application, the applicant shall pay the fees on the following scales, namely:-

S.No.	Name of category	Amount of fees (in Rupees)
1	Silver	100/-
2	Gold	200/-

- b. Fees shall be paid in the form of a banker’s cheque or Demand Draft issued by Scheduled bank payable to “Tourism Corporation of Gujarat Limited”.

6. How will the category classifications work?

Kindly go through the checklist of facilities required for homestays in the policy document. Facilities offered by the establishments should be filled up in that schedule D stands for Desired and M stands for Mandatory. A committee from TCGL will conduct an inspection of the establishment and assign the category either silver or Gold.

In addition, if the establishment has applied for Gold and after inspection the establishment stands only for silver than difference amount won’t be refunded to the

establishment and hence applicants are requested carefully go through the checklist before applying.

7. Registration fees will applicable for what period?

The certificate shall be issued for a period of two years duration in the first instance and shall be renewable thereafter, for every two years on payment of fees laid down in this scheme for registration.

8. If while inspection property was rejected for home stay than owner/co-owner gets refund?

In this scenario the Owner/co-owner will not get a refund for the same.

9. What will be the min/max rent can owner/co-owner of property can charges? Is there any slabs?

The owner/co-owner is free to charge tariffs as per the facilities offered by the establishment and should be clearly displayed to the guests at all times.

10. About the rectification of deficiencies found while inspection.

Any deficiencies pointed out by Tourism Corporation of Gujarat Limited, shall be rectified by the unit. If deficiencies are not rectified, Tourism Corporation of Gujarat Limited shall give notice to rectify deficiencies within 30 days from the date on which notice is received by the Home stay owner. If deficiencies still are not rectified, Managing Director, Tourism Corporation of Gujarat Limited shall cancel the sanctioned registration and classification of the said unit. The unit may file an appeal with The Secretary (Tourism), Industries and Mines Department, Sachivalaya, Gandhinagar within 30 days from the date of order or letter of Managing Director Tourism Corporation of Gujarat Limited received by the unit.