

#### Section 18.14 HOME OCCUPATION

The regulation of home occupations as provided herein is intended to secure flexibility in the application of the requirements of this Ordinance, but such flexibility is not intended to allow the essential character of residential districts, in terms of use and appearance, to be changed by the occurrence of non-residential activities. Home occupation, as defined in Article 2 of this Ordinance, shall satisfy the following conditions:

- A. The non-residential use shall only be incidental to the primary residential use.
- B. No equipment or process shall be used in such home occupation which creates noise, vibration, glare, fumes, odors, or electrical interference detectable to normal senses off the lot. In the case of electrical interference, no equipment or process shall be used which creates visual or audible interference in any radio or television receivers off the premises, or cause fluctuations in line voltage off the premises.
- C. The home occupation shall not employ more than two (362) persons, one of whom must reside on the premises.
- D. The majority of all activities shall be carried on indoors. No visible outdoor storage.
  - 1) Display is limited to one hundred (100) square feet.  
(Amended July 10, 2007)
- E. There shall be no change in the exterior appearance of the building or premises, or other visible evidence of the conduct of such home occupation other than one announcement sign, not exceeding six (6) square feet in area, not internally or externally illuminated and not to exceed four (4) feet over all in the height in the yard or no higher than the eaves attached on the front of the building in which the business occurs.  
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- F. No traffic shall be generated by such home occupation in greater volumes than would normally be expected in a residential neighborhood, and any need for parking generated by the conduct of such a home occupation shall be met off the street and other than in a required front yard, although motor vehicles may be parked in an existing driveway if it is of sufficient size. No additional off-street parking demand shall be created.
- G. Visits by customers shall be limited to the hours of 8:00 A.M. till 6:00 P.M.  
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- H. Limited retail sales may be permitted on the premises, as part of home occupation. Advertising of the retail sale of goods or services produced or sold on the premises is permitted in newspaper, radio or television media.  
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- I. The home occupation shall not occupy more than twenty-five percent (25%) of the gross floor area of one floor of said dwelling unit. An accessory building may be used for a home occupation only if such building is located on a lot of three (3) acres or more in size, the lot is not located within a platted subdivision or condominium subdivision, and the designated work area within the building does not exceed six hundred (600) square feet in area.  
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- J. The home occupation shall not entail the use or storage of explosive, flammable, or otherwise hazardous waste.  
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- K. There shall be no equipment or machinery used in connection with a home occupation which is industrial in nature.  
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L. A zoning permit is required. It shall be issued by the zoning administrator when all the above requirements have been met, but not sooner than fourteen (14) days after the application has been received and a copy of the application has been transmitted to the Township Board or Planning Commission, or an abutting property owner, the application may be processed as a special land use pursuant to the provisions of Article 7 in which case all of the standards of Section 7.08 A, must also be met.

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