

# HOME OCCUPATION

**HOME OCCUPATION** - An occupation conducted entirely within an enclosed dwelling and clearly incidental and secondary to the residential occupancy thereto carried on by a member or members of the family residing on the premises. All home occupations shall meet the standards in §175-108.1, which are as follows:

- A. The use shall be clearly incidental to the principal use of the property for residential purposes, and shall not change the exterior appearance of the dwelling unit.
- B. Operators of home occupations must be residents of the principal building on the zoning lot, and not more than one nonresident of the zoning lot may be employed in the occupation.
- C. Home occupations may involve the **interior** storage of goods and materials up to one hundred (100) square feet of floor area within the main building or an accessory building. No outdoor display or storage of goods, materials or equipment shall be permitted.
- D. No wholesale or retail business shall be permitted unless it is conducted entirely by mail and/or telephone and does not involve the **bulk** shipment/delivery of merchandise to and from the premises; provided, however that articles produced by the home occupation operators may be sold on the premises.
- E. Home occupations shall be interpreted to include, but not limited to the following: home offices, computer/telecommunication activities, artist studios, instructional services/tutoring, dressmaking or small item repairs. It shall **not** include motor vehicle repair, beauty/barber shops (with **more** than one (1) chair), restaurants, animal hospitals/kennels, dance studios or similar commercial activities.
- F. In the instance of a home occupation involving a nonresident employee, one additional **off-street** parking place shall be provided.
- G. No home occupation shall create greater vehicular or pedestrian traffic than is otherwise normal for the district in which it is located.
- H. No home occupation shall create noise, dust, vibrations, smells, smoke, glare, electrical interference, fire hazard, or any other hazard or nuisance to any greater or more frequent extent than that usually experienced in the district on residentially used zoning lots where no home occupation exists.
- I. No advertising signs shall be displayed on the property. Any motor vehicle parked or stored on a regular basis in a visible location on the property shall not have commercial signage affixed exceeding a total of ten (10) square feet. Only one such vehicle may be parked at any one time.

I \_\_\_\_\_ (PLEASE PRINT) have read and agree to abide by the "Home Occupation" restrictions as stated in the Town of Front Royal Zoning Ordinance. I also understand that violation of these provisions is a misdemeanor and may result in revocation of my business license and possible fines of up to \$1,000 per day of violation.

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