

38. (ABSOLUTE) HOME OCCUPATIONS: It is the policy of the town to allow home occupations in residential structures in residential districts, but only when they meet the standards established below:

A. General Provisions Regarding Home Occupation: A home occupation, when conducted in a residential district, shall be subject to the following standards:

- (1) The home occupation shall be secondary to the main use of the dwelling as a residence.
- (2) All aspects of the home occupation shall be contained and conducted within a completely enclosed building.
- (3) The home occupation shall be limited to either a preexisting garage or accessory structure, or not over twenty five percent (25%) of the floor area of the main floor of a dwelling. If located within an accessory structure or a garage, the home occupation shall not utilize over five hundred (500) square feet of floor area.
- (4) No structural alteration, including the provision of an additional entrance, shall be permitted to accommodate the home occupation, except when otherwise required by law. Such structural alterations shall not distract from the outward appearance of the property as a residential use.
- (5) No persons other than a maximum of two (2) members of the immediate family residing within the dwelling shall be engaged in the home occupation.
- (6) No window display and no sample commodities displayed outside the dwelling shall be allowed.
- (7) No materials or mechanical equipment shall be used which are detrimental to the residential use of the dwelling or any nearby dwellings because of vibration, noise, dust, smoke, odor, interference with radio or television reception or any other factor.
- (8) No parking of customer vehicles in a manner or frequency so as to cause disturbance or inconvenience to nearby residents or so as to necessitate off street parking shall be allowed. A maximum of two (2) customer vehicles shall be permitted at one time.
- (9) No sign shall be permitted except for a single nameplate not to exceed one and one-half (1 1/2) square feet in area. (A sign permit shall be obtained prior to erection of any signs.)
- (10) The applicant shall obtain a valid business license from the town. (Ord. 19, Series 1988)

B. Application To Home Childcare Business Permits: The provisions of this policy shall not apply to an application for a development permit to operate a home childcare business. An application for a development permit to operate a home childcare business shall be governed by the provisions of policy 38.5, "(Absolute) Home Childcare Businesses", of this section. (Ord. 15, Series 2005)