

Home Occupation

Application

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Department of Planning & Development
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Chapter 45.04.44 & .44.1, Dallas County Code of Ordinances, 2008

44. Home Occupation: Any occupation, profession, activity or use carried out by a resident with the intention for economic gain in the resident's own dwelling unit and/or accessory structure located on the same property. The home occupation must be clearly subordinate to the residential or agricultural use of the property.

44.1 Home Occupation Permit: All home occupations must complete a Home Occupation Application provided by the Department of Planning and Development, pay the appropriate fee, obtain approval of a Home Occupation Permit from the Director of Planning and Development and meet all of the following criteria:

- (1) The business shall be conducted by a resident of the dwelling. No employees are allowed for a home occupation, other than immediate family members who reside in the dwelling.
- (2) The use of the dwelling for a home occupation shall in no way destroy or be incompatible with the residential character of the neighborhood.
- (3) No more than one (1) home occupation shall be carried on a parcel of land.
- (4) No odor, noise, vibration, dust and electrical interference shall be detectable at the property line.
- (5) The residence shall not be used as a storage facility for a business conducted elsewhere.
- (6) The property shall not be used as a staging area for employees and equipment for business conducted elsewhere.
- (7) Automobile dealers and other retail uses that require outdoor display are not permitted as a home occupation.
- (8) The following additional standards are required for all home occupations except for child care homes:
 - (a) The home occupation may be conducted inside the dwelling or accessory building.
 - (b) No more than twenty (20) percent of the total floor area of the dwelling shall be used for the home occupation. The total floor area shall include total square footage of the house excluding any attached garage or accessory building.
 - (c) No activity, materials, goods or equipment incidental to the home occupation shall be stored outdoors.
 - (d) The home occupation shall not significantly increase the traffic in the area.
 - (e) Parking shall be so designed and constructed to be visible similar to residential property and driveways in the area.

I hereby acknowledge that I have read and understand the Home Occupation criteria and agree to comply with all restrictions stated herein

(Signature)

(Date)

Approved by:

(Signature)

(Date)

Please Include a Detailed Description of the Proposed Home Occupation Along with this Application