

Home Occupation Application

There is a \$50 processing fee for a home occupation application.

Home Occupation, as defined in the Knoxville Zoning Ordinance Article 2.3, is any activity carried out for economic gain by a resident, conducted as an accessory use in the resident's dwelling unit.

The following are home occupation requirements found in Article 10.3.R of the Knoxville Zoning Ordinance.

1. No more than three people, other than members of the household residing on the premises, may be engaged in such home occupation than can comply with each provision of this section.
2. The use of the dwelling unit for the home occupation shall be clearly incidental and subordinate to its use for residential purposes by its occupants.
3. There must be no change in the outside residential appearance of the building. Outdoor storage is prohibited and no other visible evidence of the conduct of such home occupation is allowed. Signs are permitted in accordance with the standards in Article 13.
4. No traffic may be generated by such home occupation in greater volumes than would normally be expected in a residential neighborhood.
5. No equipment or process may be used in such home occupation that increases noise, vibration, glare, fumes, odors, or electrical interference detectable to the normal senses off the lot or outside the dwelling unit. In the case of electrical interference, no equipment or process may be used which creates visual or audible interference in any radio or television receivers off the premises or causes fluctuations in the line voltage off the premises.
6. Motor vehicle repair and vehicle dispatch for any business where vehicles to be dispatched congregate on site are prohibited as home occupations.
7. Day care homes are not considered a home occupation and are regulated as a principal use per Article 9.
8. Only products produced on premises may be physically sold from the premises. Internet and mail order sales are permitted.
9. The gross floor area devoted to the home occupation cannot exceed 25% of the gross floor area of the dwelling.

Applicant		Address		Zip
Phone	Email		Business Name	
Type of Business:				
1. Is this a home occupation where you the resident use your home as a place of work, but no customer or employees come to the site? Yes No				
2. Is this a home occupation where you the resident use your home as a place of work, and either one employee who does not live in the home or customers come to the dwelling? Yes No				
Describe business activity including any additions, alterations, number of employees, or special equipment needed:				
Do you intend to use a sign on your property? Yes No <i>(If yes, see Article 13.9.D of the Knoxville Zoning Ordinance)</i>				
Size of dwelling/home: _____ Square Feet			Area to be used for business: _____ Square Feet	
I have answered the above questions to the best of my knowledge, and the proposed Home Occupation will be incidental to the use of my home.				
Signature			Date	
OFFICE USE ONLY Application Review Number				
Zoning	Parcel ID		Date	
Reviewed by			Approved ____ Denied ____	
Notes				