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Sec. 14-410. Home occupation.

Purpose. The purpose of home occupations is to allow the secondary and incidental use of a residence for the conduct of appropriate occupations whose external activity levels and impacts are so limited as to be compatible with the residential character of the neighborhood.

(a.) In connection with the operation of a home occupation within a dwelling unit, the following requirements shall be met:

1. A home occupation shall not occupy more than five hundred (500) square feet of floor area or more than twenty-five (25) percent of the total floor area of such a dwelling unit, whichever is less, or in the case of licensed family day care homes, or home babysitting services, to accommodate not more than six (6) children plus two (2) children after school and having no nonresidential employees;

2. There shall be no outside storage of goods and materials nor shall there be exterior displays, or display of goods visible from the outside;

3. Storage of materials related to the home occupation shall count as a part of the occupancy limitations in subsection (a)1 above, but shall not constitute a dominant part of such occupancy provided, however, storage of such materials or products in garages or other accessory structures is prohibited;

4. Exterior signs shall be limited to one (1) non-illuminated sign not exceeding a total area of two (2) square feet, affixed to the building and not projecting more than one (1) foot beyond the building;

5. Any exterior alterations to the residence shall be compatible with the architecture of the building and maintain the residential appearance by virtue of exterior materials, lighting, and signs;

6. *Off-street parking:* Off-street parking is required as provided in division 20 (off-street parking) of this article;

7. The home occupation shall not produce offensive noise, vibration, smoke, dust or other particulate matter, odorous matter, heat, humidity, glare or other objectionable effects;

8. There shall be no more than one (1) nonresident employed in the home occupation, provided, however, family day care or home babysitting services shall have no nonresident employees;

9. No traffic shall be generated by the home occupation in greater volumes than would normally be expected in a residential neighborhood;

10. No motor vehicle exceeding a gross vehicle weight of six thousand (6,000) pounds shall be stored on the property in connection with the home occupation.

(b.) No residence shall be occupied, altered or used for any home occupation except the following:

1. Accountants and auditors;
2. Answering services (telephone);
3. Architects;
4. Artists and sculptors;