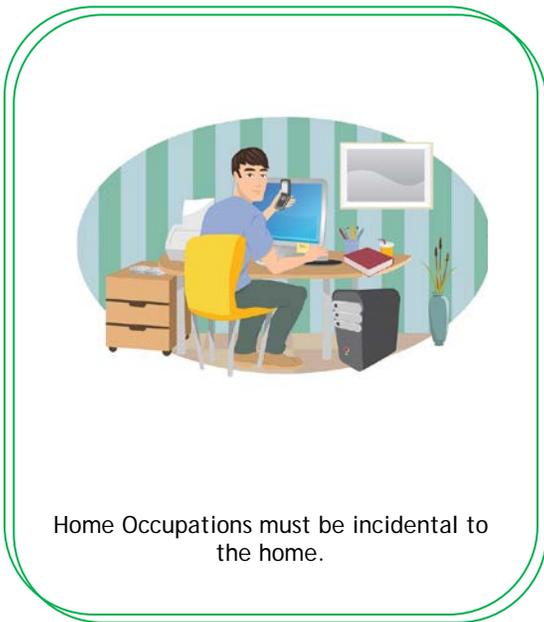


Home Occupations in the City of Greensboro

Many Greensboro residents operate a full-time or part-time business from their residence. These businesses are called Home Occupations.

Home occupations must comply with all development regulations; this guide is intended to explain how zoning regulations affect home occupations.

This brochure is intended to be a quick reference guide. You may find Home Occupation standards in full on the City's website www.greensboro-nc.gov/ldo. Article 30-8-11.5.

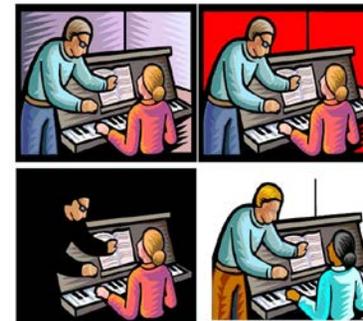


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Home Occupation Guidelines



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Where are Home Occupations allowed?

Home Occupations are allowed in all residential zoning districts and some commercial zoning districts that permit household living. The primary purpose of the home must remain as a residence.

Examples include:

- typing services
- internet sales
- barber/beauty services
- doctor/dentist offices
- architects, accountants
- child day care homes
- food catering
- handicrafting

Maximum Area of a Home Occupation

The home occupation may not exceed 30% of the gross floor area of the dwelling.

The home occupation must be clearly incidental and secondary to the residential use of the dwelling and may not change the outward appearance of the residence.

Storage

No outside storage or display of items related to the home occupation is permitted.

Use or storage of any explosive or hazardous material in conjunction with the home occupation is prohibited.



Auto repair is prohibited as a home occupation

Operation Standards

- ☞ No display of goods, products or services may be visible off site.
- ☞ A home occupation must be conducted entirely within the residence. It can't be in a garage or outbuilding.
- ☞ Only handmade items, foodstuffs, and crafts made on the premises may be offered for sale on the premises.
- ☞ Resale of goods or products for retail or wholesale sales is allowed when the goods or products are received and shipped from the premises to fulfill catalog, electronic, or internet business orders.
- ☞ No goods, products, or commodities brought into the dwelling unit for purposes of resale may be sold to persons coming on the premises.
- ☞ Instructions in music, dancing, art, or similar subjects may have up to **5** students at a time.



Except for home daycares the following items are **PROHIBITED** by anyone associated with the occupation and not an occupant of the dwelling:

- ☞ report to work or for pay on property with the dwelling;
- ☞ go by the dwelling to pick up orders, supplies, or other items related to the home occupation;
- ☞ Associate with the dwelling in any manner that could be interpreted as part of a typical employer/employee relationship.

Beyond what normally occurs in the immediate neighborhood, activities may not generate traffic, noise, fumes, odors or other irritants.

The primary purpose of the dwelling is as a residence and not the occupation.

Signage



One identification sign is allowed per building not larger than four (4) square feet in area and it must be mounted flat to the front wall of the building

No freestanding signs are allowed.

Commercial Vehicles

One commercial vehicle up to 30 feet in length may be kept on-site in conjunction with the home occupation. A second commercial vehicle up to 30 feet in length may be kept on-site behind the front building line and in an enclosed structure that is fully screened.



All commercial vehicles must display a current license plate.

Compliance with other regulations

Other regulatory standards may be applicable to a home occupation, related to:

- ☑ Privilege License (336-373-2501)
- ☑ Health Department (336-641-3771)
- ☑ Building Inspections (336-373-2155)