

PETERS TOWNSHIP CERTIFICATE FOR HOME OCCUPATION

HOME OCCUPATION A use or service conducted entirely within a dwelling by the residents thereof, which use is clearly secondary to the use of the dwelling for living purposes and which does not change the residential character thereof.

PROPERTY OWNER(S): _____

ADDRESS: _____

NAME OF BUSINESS: _____

DESCRIBE NATURE OF HOME OCCUPATION: _____

PERSON RESPONSIBLE: _____

TELEPHONE: _____ **NO. OF EMPLOYEES:** _____

ZONING OFFICER DATE

The applicant/ owner agrees that this permit is issued on the representations made herein and that any permit issued may be revoked without notice on any breach of representations on conditions. The applicant/ owner further agrees that this permit is not transferable to any future property owner and is valid only for the use herein stated and that the applicant/ owner is responsible for the discontinuance of any home occupation that grows beyond the zoning ordinance limitations.

APPLICANT/ OWNER _____ **DATE:** _____

Fee: \$25.00 Make checks payable to Peters Township

- A. The employees of a home occupation may include the residents of said dwelling and a maximum of one (1) non-resident.
- B. The use shall not create any additional environmental impact other than those impacts, including but not limited to road infrastructure, traffic, garbage, water and sewage, normally resulting from residential use.

- C. The use shall not cause an increase in the use of water, sewerage, garbage, public safety or any other municipal services beyond that which is normal for an average residence in the neighborhood.
- D. The use shall comply with the performance standards specified in §440.600.
- E. The use shall not require internal or external alterations or construction features which change the fire rating of the structure.
- F. There shall be no use of materials or equipment except that of similar power and type normally used in a residential dwelling for domestic or household purposes.
- G. There shall be no storage of materials or equipment outside an enclosed building.
- H. The use shall not create greater vehicular or pedestrian traffic than that which is normal for the residences in the neighborhood.
- I. All needs for parking generated by the conduct of a home occupation shall be provided for on the lot if the parking exceeds one hour.
- J. The home occupation shall not involve the use of commercial vehicles, and such vehicles shall not be parked on the premises. Multiple employees cannot begin or end workday at residence in a residential zoning district.
- K. There shall be no display of merchandise available for sale on the premises; however, merchandise may be stored on the premises for pickup and/or delivery.
- L. The home occupation shall not involve the use of advertising signs on the premises.
- M. The following uses shall not be considered to be home occupations and shall be limited to the districts in which they are specifically authorized as permitted uses, conditional uses or uses by special exception:
 - 1. Veterinary services.
 - 2. Automobile sales, rental, service and repair shops.
 - 3. Beauty shops and barbershops containing more than one (1) chair.
 - 4. Hospitals, nursing homes, group living facilities.
 - 5. Kennels.
 - 6. Funeral homes.
 - 7. Private clubs.
 - 8. Private instruction to more than three students at a time.
 - 9. Restaurants.
 - 10. Boarding of horses.
- N. Day care for up to six children shall be considered a home occupation, provided that:

1. All of the foregoing standards for a home occupation are met.
 2. An adequate area for outdoor recreation shall be provided and shall be secured by a fence with a self-latching gate.
 3. A safe area shall be provided for dropping off and picking up children which does not obstruct the free flow of traffic on any public street.
 4. Evidence of licensing as appropriate, by the Commonwealth shall be presented at the time of application and the licenses shall be maintained throughout the operation of the day care home.
- O. Any approved home occupation which requires any type of public access to the dwelling must obtain all required approvals from the Pennsylvania Department of Labor and Industry.
- P. All home occupation permits must be renewed every five years.