

Home-Based Business Guidelines

Home-Based Business Specifications

A Home-Based Business is an Accessory Use to the Principal Residential Use of a Lot.

- Business activity shall be performed by person(s) residing in the Dwelling unless otherwise permitted in **Table 2: Home-Based Business Regulations**.
- Home-Based Businesses shall obtain the appropriate Business License and Building Permit, where required, from the City.
- Short-Term Vacation Rentals are regulated separately through the Business Licensing Bylaw as updated from time to time.
- A Bed & Breakfast is considered a Home-Based Business and shall comply with the following regulations:
 - A maximum of four Guest Rooms;
 - All Guest Rooms must be within the Principal Dwelling Unit, or an Accessory Dwelling Unit;
 - Where food is being served to guests all Interior Health permits must be obtained; and
 - The registered operator(s) must reside on-site and the property must be the Principal Residence for the operator(s).
- All Home-Based Businesses shall not discharge or emit beyond the Lot boundaries:
 - Odorous, noxious or toxic matter or vapor;
 - Smoke, fumes, glare, radiation;
 - Recurring noise, ground vibration; or
 - Fire hazard, electrical interference.
- All Home-Based Businesses shall comply with any parking requirements.
- All Home-Based Businesses that provide food services or Personal Services (i.e. hair salon, massage, etc.) must pass an inspection from the Health Authority.
- Maximum one non-illuminated Sign or name plate not exceeding 0.3 m².

Table 2: Home-Based Business Regulations	
Requirement	Regulation
Permitted in an Accessory Building or Structure	Yes
Maximum # per Lot	2
Permitted in an Accessory Dwelling Unit	Yes
Maximum Gross Floor Area % dedicated to the business in relation to the total Gross Floor Area of the Principal Residence	40%
Maximum # of customer visits allowed per week	20
On-premises retail sales permitted	Yes
Food prepared and/or sold on site permitted	Yes
Maximum # of full-time equivalent off-site employees permitted	3
Outdoor storage or display of materials	Yes, Rear Yard Only & Fenced and/or Screened
Permitted Operating Hours	8:00 am – 8:00 pm

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