

HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT REQUIREMENTS

“HOME OCCUPATION” shall mean any use customarily conducted entirely within a residential dwelling unit and carried on by the inhabitants thereof, which use is clearly incidental and secondary to the use of the structure for dwelling purposes and which does not change the character thereof or does not adversely affect the uses permitted in the zone of which it is a part.

If you are conducting your business out of a dwelling unit in Cypress, a Home Occupation Permit is required.

The following is a list of regulations as they pertain to Home Occupation permits. For a complete list of Home Occupation requirements and procedures, please refer to Sections [3.17.110](#) and [4.19.090](#) of the Cypress Municipal Code.

1. The home occupation shall not interrupt or interfere with the general nature or residential character of the residential neighborhood in which it is located.
2. The home occupation shall be generally conducted within the residential dwelling unit and be clearly incidental to the residential use of the structure.
3. No person other than a resident of the dwelling unit shall be engaged or employed in the home occupation.
4. No motor or mechanical equipment shall be permitted other than normally incidental to the use of the structure as a dwelling.
5. The use shall not generate pedestrian or vehicular traffic beyond that normal to the district in which it is located.
6. There shall be no storage of materials which could be hazardous to surrounding neighbors or detrimental to the residential character of the neighborhood.
7. Only one room in the dwelling unit shall be employed for the use of the home occupation.
8. There shall be no use of utilities or community facilities beyond that normal to the use of the property for residential purposes.
9. There shall be no noise audible beyond the boundaries of the site.
10. No smoke, odor, liquid, or solid waste shall be emitted.
11. There shall be no outdoor storage or display of materials or equipment maintained on the premises.
12. The conduct of the home occupation shall not interfere with the maintenance of the two required parking spaces within the garage.
13. A Business Tax Certificate shall be obtained from the Finance Department.
14. No in-person sales shall be conducted on the premises.

15. The Planning Director has the right upon request, to inspect the premises as it relates to the home occupation permit in order to verify compliance with the regulations identified within Sections [3.17.110](#) and [4.19.090](#) of the Cypress Municipal Code.
16. A decision of the Planning Director regarding approval, disapproval, or conditions imposed may be appealed in writing to the Planning Division with fifteen (15) days of notice of the decision.