



Department of Planning and Community Development

HOME OCCUPATION REGULATION

The City of Agoura Hills appreciates your interest in conducting your business in Agoura Hills. The City recognizes the value and personal convenience of home occupations and therefore adopted operational standards which are intended to:

1. Ensure the compatibility of home occupations with other uses permitted in the residential districts;
2. Maintain and preserve the character of residential neighborhoods; and
3. Promote the efficient use of public service and facilities by assuring these services are provided to the residential population for which they were planned and constructed, rather than commercial uses.

Each home occupation is subject by City Ordinance to annually register with the City and comply with the regulations of the Los Angeles County Business License Commission as well. In addition, home occupations are required to comply with each of the following operational regulations, as stated in Sections 9286 and 9286.1 of the City Zoning Ordinance:

1. There shall be no stock in trade other than products manufactured on the premises.
2. A home occupation shall be conducted in a dwelling and shall be clearly incidental to the use of the structure as a dwelling.
3. A home occupation shall not be conducted in an accessory structure, and there shall be no storage of equipment or supplies in an accessory structure or outside dwelling.
4. There shall be no external alteration of the dwelling in which a home occupation is conducted related to said occupants, and the existence of a home occupation shall not be apparent beyond the boundaries of the site, except for a nameplate which shall be in accord with the provisions of the city zoning ordinance.
5. No other than a resident of the dwelling shall be employed in the conduct of a home occupation.
6. No motor shall exceed one (1) horsepower, and the total horsepower of all motors within the dwelling shall not exceed two (2) horsepower.
7. A home occupation shall not create any radio or television interference or create noise audible beyond the boundaries of the site.
8. No smoke, odor, liquid, gaseous or solid waste shall be emitted.
9. No mechanical equipment is to be utilized except that which is necessarily, customarily or ordinarily used for household or leisure purposes.
10. No process is used which is hazardous to public health, safety, morals or welfare.
11. Visitors, customers or deliveries shall not exceed that normally and reasonably occurring for a residence including not more than two (2) business visitors an hour and eight (8) per day, and not more than two (2) deliveries of products or materials per week.
12. The home occupation shall not displace or impede the use of parking spaces required by the City Zoning Ordinance, including any business storage in required garage parking areas.
13. No advertisement shall be placed in any media containing the address of the property.
14. No more than two (2) vehicles shall be utilized in the business.

Questions regarding the City of Agoura Hill's Home Occupation Regulations and Registration may be directed to the Department of Planning and Community Development at (818) 597-7309.