

**APPLICATION FOR BUSINESS TAX RECEIPT**

Name of Business: \_\_\_\_\_

Type and Description of Business: \_\_\_\_\_

Licenses, certifications or registrations required: \_\_\_\_\_

Address of Business: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Property Owner: \_\_\_\_\_

Parcel No: \_\_\_\_\_

**Home Business? No \_\_\_ Yes\* \_\_\_ (\*Affidavit of compliance with home business regulations required)**

I understand that this application must be completely filled out or my application cannot be processed. I hereby certify that the information in this application is correct. The information included in this application is for use by Okeechobee County in processing my request. False or misleading information may be punishable by a fine of up to \$500.00 and imprisonment of up to 30 days and may result in the summary denial of this application or in the revocation of any permits or licenses issued.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature Date

STATE OF FLORIDA  
COUNTY OF OKEECHOBEE

Sworn to and subscribed before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_\_. Personally known to me \_\_\_ OR  
produced \_\_\_\_\_ as id entification and did not take an oath.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public - State of Florida

SEAL

Upon obtaining all appropriate signatures, this application certifies that the property on which the above described business will operate is properly zoned for that purpose pursuant to applicable county land development regulations.  
**Apply to Community Development Dept. for zoning verification before going to Health or Fire Department.**

----- **DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE** -----

Zoning \_\_\_\_\_ FLU \_\_\_\_\_ Date Verified \_\_\_\_\_ OK \_\_\_\_\_

Zoning Official \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Bldg. Dept. \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Health Dept. \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_ Fire Dept. \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Conditions/Restrictions on License: Mobile (Yes \_\_\_) (No \_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

## HOME BUSINESSES

### Okeechobee County Code of Ordinances, Part II, Section 2.05.02

**A home business (occupation) may be allowed in a bona fide dwelling unit, subject to the following:**

- (A) No person other than members of the family residing on the premises shall be engaged in such occupation.
- (B) The use of the dwelling unit for the home occupation shall be clearly incidental and subordinate to its use for residential purposes by its occupants, and shall under no circumstances change the residential character of the structure.
- (C) There shall be no change in the outside appearance of the building or premises, or other visible evidence of the conduct of such home occupation, other than one sign not exceeding on square foot in area, non-illuminated, mounted flat against the wall of the principal building at a position not more than two (2) feet from the main entrance of the residence.
- (D) No home occupation shall occupy more than twenty (20) percent of the first floor area of the residence. No accessory building, freestanding or attached, shall be used for a home occupation.
- (E) No traffic shall be generated by such occupation in greater volumes than would normally be expected in a residential neighborhood, and any need for parking generated by the conduct of such home occupation shall be met off the street and other than in a front yard required pursuant to this Code.
- (F) No equipment, tools, or process shall be used in such a home occupation which creates interference to neighboring properties due to noise, vibration, glare, fumes, odors, or electrical interference. In the case of electrical interference, no equipment or process shall be used which creates visual or audible interference in any radio, telephone, or television receivers off the premises or causes fluctuations in line voltage off the premises.
- (G) Fabrication of articles commonly classified under the terms arts and handicrafts may be deemed a home occupation, subject to the other terms and conditions of this definition, and providing no retail sales are made at the home.
- (H) Outdoor storage of materials shall not be permitted.
- (I) The following shall not be considered home occupations: beauty shops, barbershops, group band instrument or dance instructors, studio for group instruction, public dining facility or tea room, antique or gift shops, photographic studio, fortune telling or similar activity, outdoor repair, food processing, retail sales, nursery school, or kindergarten.
- (J) The giving of individual instruction to one person at a time such as an art or piano or music teacher, shall be deemed a home occupation; individual instruction as a home occupation for those activities listed in Paragraph I above shall be prohibited.
- (K) A home occupation shall be subject to all applicable County occupational licensing requirements, fees, and other business taxes.