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Application for Home Occupation

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Applicant Name _____
 Applicant Address _____
 City/State/Zip _____
 Office Phone _____
 Cell Phone _____
 Fax _____
 Email _____

Owner _____
 City/State/Zip _____
 Phone _____
 Cell Phone _____

Parcel # 19- 150- _____
 Zoning District _____

All questions must be answered completely.

If additional space is needed, number and attach additional sheets. Number of attached sheets: _____

Please describe the proposed home occupation.

Will the home occupation create any of the following?

Noise	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	Type/Source _____
Dust	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	Type/Source _____
Odor	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	Type/Source _____
Vibrations	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	Type/Source _____
Glare	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	Type/Source _____
Electrical Interference	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	Type/Source _____
Heat	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	Type/Source _____
Hazards	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	Type/Source _____

Note: Noise, odor, dust, etc, are not permitted to extend or be discernible beyond the principal dwelling in which the allowable use is conducted. Noise, odor, dust, etc, that extends beyond the principal dwelling, is considered prima facie evidence of the use not qualifying as a "home occupation".

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Will the home occupation require the employment of person not residing in the dwelling in which the use is conducted? Yes No

If yes, please explain

What, if any, alterations to the home will be required to conduct the home occupation?

Check here if none

What is the total square footage of the home in which the home occupation will be conducted? (Total square footage includes all living areas, exclusive of basement and/or garage areas)

Square Footage that the home _____

How much square footage with the home occupation occupy? _____

Will people be required to come to the home to obtain the product or service provided by you in the operation of the home occupation? If yes, what is the estimated number of customers per day and how many days per week and months per year?

Yes No

Customers per day _____

Please check all days and months that apply

Su M Tue W Th F S

Jan Feb Mar Apr May June July Aug Sept Oct Nov Dec

How many off-street parking spaces can be provided for people that are required to come to the home where the proposed home occupation will be conducted? (1 parking space = 9'x18')

Number of parking spaces _____

What, if any, signage (give size) is proposed in conjunction with the home occupation?

Is the proposed home occupation activity part-time or full-time?

Part-time Full-time

Will any outdoor motorized equipment or vehicles be used in conjunction with the operation of your home occupation?

Yes No

7. The dwelling unit shall have a minimum dimension of 24 feet across the shortest side.
 8. A storage area of not less than 120 square feet shall be provided in conjunction with the single-family dwelling. This storage area may consist of a basement, closet area, attic, or in a garage attached to a main building, or in a detached accessory building.
 9. Permanently attached steps or porch areas at least three feet in width shall be provided where there is an elevation difference greater than eight inches between the first floor entry of the dwelling unit and the adjacent grade.
 10. The pitch of the main roof of the dwelling unit shall not be less than four feet of rise for each 12 feet of horizontal run, and shall have not less than a 12-inch overhang.
 11. The exterior finish of the dwelling unit shall not cause reflection that is greater than that from siding coated with clean, white, gloss exterior enamel.
 12. The dwelling unit shall be so placed on the lot that the portions nearest the street frontage are at least 30 feet in dimension parallel to the street.
 13. The dwelling unit shall have at least two exterior doors, with one being in either the rear or the side of the dwelling unit.
- D. There shall be no change in the outside appearance of the building or premises, or other visible evidence of the conduct of such class A home occupation, other than one non-illuminated sign located on the same property as the home occupation.
 - i. Such sign shall not exceed six square feet in area or three feet in height.
 - ii. The permitted sign may be mounted flat against the wall of the main building facing the street or placed in any yard, except that such sign shall be at minimum of five feet from any lot line.
 - iii. The permitted sign shall not be placed within any street right-of-way.
 - E. No retail or other sales of merchandise or products shall be conducted upon the premises except for incidental products related to the class A home occupation or those goods actually produced on the premises.
 - F. No traffic shall be generated by such class A home occupation in greater volumes than would normally be expected in a residential neighborhood and any need for parking generated by the conduct of such class A home occupation shall be met off the street and other than in the required front yard.
 - G. No equipment or process shall be used in such a class A home occupation which creates noise, vibration, glare, fumes, odors, or electrical interference detectable to the normal senses. In case of electrical interference, no equipment or process shall be used which creates visual or audible interference in any radio or television receivers off the premises, or cause fluctuation in line voltage off the premises.
 - H. Class A home occupations are permitted in all zoning districts when in compliance with this Section.

28-4.4 HOME OCCUPATIONS⁶¹

1. Class A home occupations.
 - A. Class A home occupations shall be approved by the zoning administrator, who shall issue an approval upon receipt of a letter from the applicant stating his intent to comply with the requirements of this Section.
 - B. No persons other than members of the immediate family residing on the premises and not more than two other persons, who need not be residents, shall be engaged in such occupation.
 - C. The use of the dwelling unit for the class A home occupation shall be clearly incidental and subordinate to its use for residential purposes by its occupants. The class A home occupation shall be operated in its entirety within the principal dwelling or accessory building, but shall not in any case exceed a gross floor area equal to more than 25 percent of the gross floor area of the dwelling unit, excluding the basement.
2. Class B home occupations.
 - A. Class B home occupations shall be allowed as a home occupation only in the AP, AG, RR, R-1, R-2, R-3 and VSC districts. Nothing in this chapter, or in any companion regulatory provision adopted in any other provision of this code, is intended to grant,



nor shall they be construed as granting, immunity from criminal prosecution for growing, sale, consumption, use, distribution, or possession of marihuana not in strict compliance with that act and the general rules. Also, since federal law is not affected by the act or the general rules, nothing in this chapter, or any companion regulatory provision adopted in any provision of this code, is intended to grant, nor shall be construed as granting, immunity from criminal prosecution under federal law. The act does not protect users, caregivers or the owners of properties on which the medical use of marihuana is occurring from federal prosecution, or from having their property seized by federal authorities under the federal controlled substances act. Class B home occupations shall be established and operated in compliance with the provisions of [Section 28-4.4](#) and this Section. For purposes of this chapter a class B home occupation shall not be considered to be a personal service establishment as defined in this chapter.

- B. Class B home occupations shall conform to the following provisions:
- i. They shall be established, conform to and be operated in compliance with all of the provisions required of class A home occupations that are not in conflict with the provisions in this Section;
 - ii. The home occupation shall comply at all times and in all circumstances with the act and the general rules of the Michigan Department of Community Health;
 - iii. Not more than one primary caregiver shall be permitted to service qualifying patients on a lot;
 - iv. All medical marihuana shall be contained within an enclosed, locked facility;
 - v. All required building, electrical, plumbing and mechanical permits shall be obtained;
 - vi. No lights used in conjunction with the home occupation shall be discernible to occupants of adjacent dwellings;
 - vii. There shall be no signs visible from the exterior of the building which in any

- viii. The occupation shall occur only in single-family dwellings that are unattached to any other dwelling unit;
 - ix. All transfers and deliveries of medical marihuana to patients shall occur within the home of the primary caregiver or residence of the patient;
 - x. The hours of operation for the home occupation shall be from 7am to 8pm;
 - xi. There shall be no interior alterations for the purpose of conducting the home occupation which would render the dwelling unsuitable for residential use;
 - xii. No part of any accessory structure, either attached or detached, shall be used to conduct the home occupation or produce or store inventory or materials used in conjunction with the home occupation.
- C. All information regarding class B home occupations is confidential and any government official who becomes aware of a class B home occupation as a result of the requirements of this Section shall not disclose any such confidential information to any other person except to those officials performing duties necessary to comply with the provision of this Section. Records regarding class B home occupations are confidential and shall not be disclosed except upon order of a court of competent jurisdiction.

28-4.5 GREENHOUSES AND NURSERIES

1. A residence meeting the requirements of the zoning district in which the property is located may also be located on the same property as the greenhouses and nurseries.
2. Greenhouses or other structures accessory to the greenhouse or nursery operation shall meet the setbacks required for accessory buildings.
3. Permitted Uses. In the AP, AG, and RR districts, greenhouses and nurseries, including retail operations for products grown on the premises are a permitted use subject to the following:
 - A. The lot area used for display or storage shall be provided with a permanent, durable and dustless surface, and shall be graded and drained so as to properly dispose of surface water.

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