Home Business

Home Business is “any business activity, other than those listed below, which is conducted entirely within a dwelling or attached garage and is clearly incidental, secondary and in addition to the use of the structure for dwelling purposes.”

The following uses are not allowed as a Home Business:

- Motor vehicle, trailer, or boat repair.
- Junkyards
- Towing operations
- Welding, iron works, foundries
- Vehicle sales or rentals
- Auto body and/or fender work
- Short-term Rentals
- Mortuaries or crematoriums
- Major appliance repair (washers, dryers, refrigerators, etc.)
- Any use involving the storage or sale of flammable, explosive, or hazardous materials.
- Lawn mower or small engine repair
- Home Daycare (a different application is required)
- Home Preschool (a different application is required)
- Any use involving the raising, breeding, training, housing, keeping or care of animals.
- Other uses as listed in the ordinance [19.85]

The following activities are exempted from regulation under this chapter:

- Garage or yard sales provided the sale is held for not more than 3 consecutive days, and no more than two times per year at the same location, and no consignment goods are offered for sale.
- Temporary social gathering sales that do not exceed one day, such as candle parties, book parties, etc. not to exceed 4 occurrences per year.
Per Utah Code 17-53-216(4)(b) a county may charge a license fee for a home based business unless the combined offsite impact of the home based business and the primary residential use materially exceeds the offsite impact of the primary residential use alone.

If you are seeking exemption from business license fees under Utah Code 17-53-216(4)(b) please notify our office in writing and explain how your business meets the exemption requirements. Please send your notification to businessinfo@slco.org or Salt Lake County Planning & Development Services, Business Licensing, 2001 S State St. N3-600, Salt Lake City, Utah 84190.