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7.5 Rural Home Occupation

A *rural home occupation* shall be subject to the following regulations:

- 7.5.1 Two (2) employees who are not residents of the principal residence may work at that location.
- **7.5.2** A rural home occupation shall not occupy more than 25% of the floor area of the dwelling unit, and in no case shall the combined area of the principal residence used for the business and the accessory building or structure used for the business exceed 100 m² of the floor area.
- **7.5.3** If there is more than one (1) dwelling on a lot, there may be a rural home occupation use in each dwelling unit provided the total number of clients, employees or floor area permitted for the combined home occupations does not exceed the limits outlined in this section.
- **7.5.4** A rural home occupation shall not generate more than six (6) client visits at any given time.
- 7.4.1 The doors to the accessory building or structure in which the business is located must be closed when the business is being conducted.
- **7.4.2** A major home occupation shall not exceed 25% of the floor area of the dwelling unit, and in no case shall the combined area of the residence used for the business and an accessory building used for the business exceed 50 m². This shall be limited to 10% if the dwelling also contains a bed and breakfast home.
- **7.4.3** One employee who is not a resident of the primary dwelling unit where the major home occupation is located may work at that location.
- 7.4.4 A major home occupation shall not generate more than two (2) client visits at any given time.
- 7.4.5 No more than one (1) major home occupation is permitted per property.
- 7.3.1 A minor home occupation shall only be an accessory use.
- 7.3.2 A minor home occupation shall only be conducted within a principal dwelling unit or secondary suite.
- **7.3.3** No exterior storage or operation of equipment shall be permitted in conjunction with a minor home occupation.
- 7.3.4 No variation from the residential character and appearance of land or buildings shall be permitted.
- **7.3.5** No nuisance from noise, vibration, smoke, dust, odours, heat, glare, electrical or radio disturbance shall be produced by the minor home occupation and, at all times, the privacy and enjoyment of adjacent dwellings shall be preserved and the amenities of the neighbourhood shall not be adversely affected.
- **7.3.7** This *use* does not include the repair or painting of vehicles, trailers or boats, tow-truck operations, manufacturing and industrial *uses*, social escort services, cabinet making, welding or machine shops, major care centre, meat cutting, commercial animal breeding or parking or storage of industrial or construction equipment or materials.
- **7.3.8** No person other than residents of the principal dwelling unit or secondary suite shall be engaged in the minor home occupation.
- **7.3.9** The total area of a minor home occupation shall not exceed 25% of the floor area of the dwelling up to a maximum area of 20 m². The maximum floor area shall be limited to 10% if the dwelling also contains a bed and breakfast home.
- **7.3.10** General retail sales or display of products not produced on the premises shall not be permitted in a minor home occupation, except for products incidental to the service or agricultural products, mail order sales, telephone or internet sales, or goods which the customer does not enter the premises to inspect or pick up. **7.3.11** A minor home occupation sign is permitted according to the provisions of the City Sign Bylaw, as

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I hereby make application for a business licence as a Rural Home Occupation in accordance with the regulations as above stated. I undertake that if I am granted the licence applied for, I will comply with each and every obligation relating to Rural Home Occupation.

Signature of Applicant	Print Name	
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