

BOROUGH OF PENNSBURG

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APPLICATION FOR HOME OCCUPATION

ARTICLE III, SECTION 312 of the Pennsburg Borough Zoning Ordinance
adopted December 21, 1995, so states:

"HOME OCCUPATIONS SHALL BE SUBJECT TO AN ANNUALLY RENEWABLE
PERMIT SECURED FROM THE ZONING OFFICER OR BOROUGH SECRETARY".

Applicant: _____

Phone #: _____ Fax #: _____

Address: _____

Block: _____ Unit: _____

Specific Use: _____

Number of outside employees: _____

Date started: _____

***I have been given a copy of Section 312 by the Pennsburg Borough Zoning
Officer relevant to Home Occupation Regulations.***

Applicant's Signature _____ Permit #: _____

Date: _____ Check #: _____ Cash: _____

New Application (Fee: \$50.00) _____

Renewal (Annually – Fee: \$25.00): _____

Section 312. Accessory Uses.

The following accessory uses shall be permitted, subject to the additional requirements herein.

312.1 Uses Accessory to Agriculture: Greenhouses, roadside stand for sale of products produced on the premises, barn, preparation of products produced on the premises for use and the disposal thereof by marketing or otherwise.

312.2 Uses Accessory to Dwellings:

A. Private garage, private parking space, private stable, barn, shelter for pets, garden or tool shed.

B. Non-commercial swimming pool or other recreational facilities.

C. Private greenhouse.

D. The home occupations listed in subsection 1, below, subject to the regulations listed in subsections 2, below:

1. Permitted Home Occupations:

a. Professional office or studio of a doctor, dentist, healer, teacher, artist, architect, landscape architect, musician, lawyer, engineer, magistrate or practitioner of a similar character.

b. Custom dress-making, millinery, tailoring, sewing of fabric for custom apparel and custom home furnishing.

c. Foster family care.

d. Family Day Care Home, as defined in this Ordinance.

e. Any office in which chattels or goods, wares or merchandise are not commercially created, exchanged, or sold.

f. Tutoring.

g. Fine arts studio in which only individual works of art are created.

h. Personal service shop, barber shop, beauty parlor.

2. Home Occupation Regulations:

a. The office, studio, or rooms used shall be located in the dwelling in which the practitioner resides, or in a building accessory thereto.

b. No goods shall be publicly displayed on the premises.

c. No employees, assistants, helpers, subcontractors, etc., shall be permitted except for persons residing with the practitioner, unless authorized as a special exception by the Zoning Hearing Board, in accordance with Article XVIII of this Ordinance.

d. Vehicular access improvements shall be provided by the practitioner when a use generates more traffic than would normally be expected for a residence, as determined by the Borough Council, upon recommendation of the Borough Engineer.

- e. When more than two outside employees are permitted by the Zoning Hearing Board, and/or customers, patients, clients, etc., will come to the property, the home occupation proposal and use shall comply with the parking requirements in compliance with Article XIV of this Ordinance, and the applicable requirements of the Pennsburg Borough Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance.
- f. The home occupation shall otherwise comply with the requirements of this Ordinance.
- g. Home occupations shall not include commercial businesses, hospitals, clinics, animal hospitals, tearooms, hotels, boarding houses, or any similar use, except as otherwise provided in this Article.
- h. Home occupations shall be conducted entirely within the residence, and the area used for the home occupation shall not exceed 25 percent of the gross floor area of the residence, except that the Zoning Hearing Board may permit the use of an accessory structure or the use of more than 25 percent of the residence by special exception, in accordance with Article XVIII of this Ordinance, and where all other requirements of this Section are met.
- i. Home occupations shall be subject to an annually renewable permit secured from the Zoning Officer or Borough Secretary.

312.3 Uses Accessory to Non-Commercial Recreational Uses: Customary recreation, refreshment and service uses and buildings in any non-commercial recreational area.

312.4 Other Accessory Uses. Accessory uses other than those listed in this Section may be permitted in compliance with the requirements for principal uses in the district in which they are located and to which they are accessory.

312.5 Any building used for an accessory use which exceeds 750 square feet shall be subject to approval of the Borough Council.