The City of Redding recognizes that some citizens may desire to use their place of residence for limited business activity and supports such efforts. To that end, limited commercial-type activities are allowed in residential areas only to the extent that, to all outward appearances, neighbors or passers by will not be aware of the activity.

**Home Occupations are permitted within all residential zoning districts subject to obtaining the appropriate business license. Such uses are subject to the following performance criteria:**

1. There shall be no exterior evidence of the conduct of a Home Occupation.
2. A Home Occupation shall be conducted only within an enclosed living area of the dwelling unit or the garage and shall not occupy more than 25 percent of the gross floor area of the dwelling. A Home Occupation shall not be permitted out-of-doors on the property or in any accessory structure utilized to satisfy the off-street parking requirements of Redding Municipal Code Chapter 18.41.
3. Electrical or mechanical equipment which creates visible or audible interference in radio or television receivers, or causes fluctuation in line voltage outside the dwelling unit, or which creates noise not normally associated with residential uses shall be prohibited.
4. No equipment or process shall be used in Home Occupations which creates uncustomary noise, vibration, glare, or odors such that they are detectable to normal senses off the lot.
5. Except for a cottage food operation, only the actual residents of the dwelling unit shall engage in the Home Occupation; no employees shall be permitted on the premises in connection with the Home Occupation except those who are residents of the property. Pursuant to Section 113758 of the Health and Safety Code, a cottage food operation may employ one nonhousehold member as an employee.
6. Customers or clients shall not be permitted at the residence except to receive educational, therapeutic, or counseling services where not more than two (2) client shall receive service at any one time, or for a cottage food operation. Pursuant to Section 113758 of the Health and Safety Code, direct sales may occur from a cottage food operation.
7. The conduct of any Home Occupation shall not reduce or render unusable areas provided for the required off-street parking or prevent the number of cars designated to be parked in a garage from doing so.
8. A Home Occupation shall not create greater vehicular or pedestrian traffic than that which is normal in a residential district nor in any case require the parking of more than 1 additional vehicle at any one time.
9. Storage and use of a limited amount of materials, goods, supplies, or equipment related to the operation of the Home Occupation is permitted provided that the limitations delineated in Nos. 2 and 4 above shall not be exceeded. The display of goods or storage of uncustomary amounts of flammable materials shall be prohibited.

10. Not more than 1 commercial motor vehicle, together with equipment, tools, and stock-in-trade maintained therein, is permitted where such motor vehicle is used as the owner’s means of transportation. Commercial vehicles or trailers which have an unladen vehicle weight of 10,000 pounds or greater or are more than 25 feet in length are prohibited in residential areas.

11. On-site storage/parking of oversized or specialized commercial vehicles and the storage of materials in excess of the space limitation provided herein is prohibited.

12. Advertising on the site of a Home Occupation is prohibited except that a commercial vehicle permitted herein may have signs affixed which identifies the business name only and does not identify the address of the business.

13. On-site training for promotional sales shall not be permitted.

14. Any deliveries shall be made by standard mail or package carrier.

If the activity is one that is consistent with the use of the premises as a dwelling, as outlined in the above criteria, you are eligible to conduct a Home Occupation.

**Businesses unable to meet this criteria shall locate in a commercial, office, or industrial district, as appropriate.**

Persons with demonstrated physical handicaps may be permitted special review by the Development Services Director. A resident may request waiving one or more, or a portion thereof, of requirements Nos. 1 through 14 above by seeking a zoning exception pursuant to Section 18.15 of the Redding Municipal Code.

Home Occupations may be conducted unless one or more of the following occur(s):

1. The Home Occupation does not commence within 1 year of receipt of the business license.

2. The use ceases for a period greater than 6 months.

3. The original business license holder moves from the approved location.

4. There is a violation of the Home Occupation performance criteria.

5. There is a violation of any law or ordinance in connection with the Home Occupation.

Home Occupation operators found to be in violation of the Redding Municipal Code may be subject to a citation and fine or other legal remedy.

I hereby certify that I have read and understand the above-listed restrictions pertaining to the establishment of a Home Occupation at ____________________________. I further agree to abide by these performance criteria.

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Signed