

# Home Occupations



## Can I run a business out of my home?

Yes, but there are regulations to the type of business that is allowed and how it is operated. To begin, home occupations are permitted on any property where the principal use is a residential dwelling as long as you are located in one of the following zoning districts.

### Excerpt from Table 4-2: Permitted Uses

Uses / Use Categories	Residential Zone Districts								Non-residential Zone Districts				Specific Use Standards
P = Permitted, subject to general district standards C = Permitted, only by conditional use permit discretionary review PD = Permitted only through a planned unit development = Blank means the use is not permitted													
<i>Accessory Uses</i>													
<i>Home Occupation</i>	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A	A			16-4-4.C

## Home Occupation Rules and Regulations

To determine your zoning district, scan the QR code at the bottom right corner of this page and enter your address.

- Your home cannot be altered to facilitate running a business. This includes adding a new entrance, new storage areas, window displays, parking spaces, etc.
- Only residents of the home, plus one additional individual that does not reside at the home, can participate in running the business.
- Your business must operate in the home or allowed accessory buildings (garages, sheds, ADU's, etc.) but cannot take up more than 50% of the interior space. **\*\*Home care uses may use the entire space\*\***
- All parking for the business must occur in the garage or on the driveway or street directly in front of the home.
- Your business cannot generate traffic, service, or deliveries that would be abnormal to a residential neighborhood.
  - Deliveries and/or customer or client visits should occur between 7 a.m. and 9 p.m.
  - No more than eight (8) customers per day and no more than one (1) at a time. **\*\*Except for home care uses\*\***
- Any merchandise that is being sold must be made, grown, or prepared on site, or as remote or mail-order where the storage of merchandise and sales exchanges do not happen on site.
- No equipment, machinery, or operation used in running your business should be noticeable off site because of noise, smoke, odor, dust, glare, radiation, electrical interference, or vibration.
- One sign is allowed for your business. It is limited to two (2) square feet in size and must be located within ten feet of the primary entrance to your home. **\*\*Unless you are located in the R-1-A district where home occupation signage is prohibited\*\***



For the full list of home occupation regulations, see Englewood Municipal Code (EMC) § 16-4-4.A and EMC § 16-4-4.C.

## What are Home Care uses?

Home care is a specific type of home occupation which is treated differently from other home occupations. In addition to the standards applicable to all accessory uses in EMC § 16-4-4.A, the following additional standards apply to home care:

- A person may use their primary residence for the accessory business of caring for children or adults from outside of the residence, not related to the care provider, subject to EMC § 16-4-4.D.
- The business shall be subject to all required state licenses and City business licenses.



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- The care shall be on a less than 24-hour basis, and subject to the following additional limitations.
  - *Adult Care:* Care for individuals 18 years or older, and limited to no more than four adults.
  - *Family Child Care Home:* Care for up to six children, no more than three of which may be under two years of age, including the care provider's children.
  - *Infant / Toddler Home:* Care for up to four children between the age of birth and three years old, no more than two of which may be under 12 months, including the caregiver's own children and no more than one child related to the care giver between three years old and six years old; or if two caregivers are present, up to six children between birth and three years old, no more than three of which may be under 12 months, including the caregivers own children.
  - *Larger Child Care Home.* Care for between seven and 12 children between two years old and 16 years old; provided that up to two children under two years of age are permitted if they are siblings of other children in care; and provided the caregiver's children under 12 and on the premises count towards the limit.

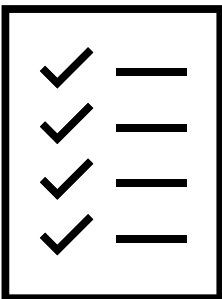


## Prohibited Business Types

The following business types are prohibited home occupations in Englewood:

- Animal hospital or kennel, animal daycare, and breeders, except licensed canine and feline breeders.
- Barbers, hairdressers, cosmetologists, beauticians, or other personal care involving skin, hair, or nails.
- Automobile service and repair, or vehicle sales requiring a state dealer's license.
- Sale, storage, or assembly of guns, knives, or other weapons or immunity.
- Food or beverage services.
- Any use involving storage, operation, or parking of equipment and large vehicles such as towing, landscape maintenance, or construction businesses.
- Any use involving the dispensing, use, storage, or processing of hazardous materials
- Medical marijuana centers, medical marijuana-infused product manufacturers, or medical marijuana optional premises cultivation operation.
- Manufacture of wine, distilled spirits, or malt beverages.

## Business License Registration



Under [EMC § 4-4-1: Administration of Tax and License Requirement](#), all Englewood businesses must hold a valid Sales and Use Tax License and follow the Sales and Use Tax License code provisions.

To apply for a Sales and Use Tax License, go to <https://englewood.munirevs.com/>.

Applications are reviewed by various City Departments to confirm that the business is complying with local regulations, including, but not limited to, building code, safety regulations, zoning regulations, and health and sanitation requirements.

Feel free to contact the Revenue Division via email at [revenue@englewoodco.gov](mailto:revenue@englewoodco.gov) or by calling 303-762-2414 to discuss the licensing process.

