

**6.20 HOME BASED BUSINESS**  
(4500.149; 2020-APR-06)

6.20.1 A home-based business shall be permitted:

- a) in any dwelling unit or secondary suite, regardless of zoning, provided it meets all other applicable requirements of this section; and
- b) in a recreational vehicle in the Recreational Vehicle Park (R11) zone, provided it meets all other applicable requirements of this section.

6.20.2 Any person residing within the dwelling unit, secondary suite, or recreational vehicle may be engaged in the home-based business. At least one resident of the dwelling unit, secondary suite, or recreational vehicle must hold a business licence for the home-based business.

6.20.3 Home-based businesses shall be categorized as Type 1, Type 2, or Type 3 based on the location of the home-based business and shall have restrictions on the maximum floor area, number of vehicle trips, number of non-resident employees, and prohibited uses for each home-based business type as specified within the following table:

|   | <b>Type 1</b>  | <b>Type 2</b>   | <b>Type 3</b>  |
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| <b>Location of the home-based business</b>                                | Multiple Family Dwelling unit, Secondary Suite, Mobile Home, Modular Home, Recreational Vehicle, Float Home, or Single Residential Dwelling on a lot < 370m <sup>2</sup>             | Single Residential Dwelling on a lot ≥ 370m <sup>2</sup> and < 2,020m <sup>2</sup>  | Single Residential Dwelling on a lot ≥ 2,020m <sup>2</sup>       |
| <b>Maximum floor area for the home-based business</b>                     | 42m <sup>2</sup> or 50% of the dwelling unit, secondary suite, or recreational vehicle, whichever is less  | 100m <sup>2</sup> or 50% of the dwelling unit, whichever is less  | 200m <sup>2</sup> or 50% of the dwelling unit, whichever is less |
| <b>Maximum number of customer or client vehicle trips per day</b>         | 0  | 8 return trips  | 12 return trips  |
| <b>Maximum number of non-resident employees permitted to work on-site</b> | 0  | 1   | 2  |
| <b>Prohibited uses (4500.219; 2024-MAR-04)</b>                            | Automotive repair of a major or minor nature; automotive detailing; personal service use; pet daycare; carpentry, cabinet-making, and the like; all uses listed in Subsection 6.20.5 | Automotive repair of a major or minor nature; automotive detailing; carpentry, cabinet-making, and the like; all uses listed in Subsection 6.20.5 | All uses listed in Subsection 6.20.5                             |

- 6.20.4 Notwithstanding Subsection 6.20.3, where multiple home-based businesses are associated with a dwelling unit, secondary suite, or recreational vehicle, the maximum combined floor area, the maximum combined vehicle trips, and the maximum combined number of non-resident employees of all home-based businesses shall not exceed the maximum as specified in Subsection 6.20.3.
- 6.20.5 The following uses are specifically prohibited as a home-based business for all home-based business types:
- a) auto body repair;
  - b) commercial sawmill;
  - c) boarding kennel, animal training, and commercial dog breeding;
  - d) restaurant;
  - e) retail sales of items other than items manufactured by the home-based business; and
  - f) storage, wrecking, dismantling, painting, or metal plating of vehicles (including recreational vehicles, boats, water vessels, aircraft, all-terrain vehicles, and snowmobiles), equipment, or machinery.
- 6.20.6 Where customer or client vehicle trips to a home-based business are permitted, such trips shall be limited to between the hours of 7am and 9pm, seven days a week.
- 6.20.7 Where a home-based business involves vehicle or equipment repair or service, all vehicles or equipment under repair or to be repaired must be wholly contained within a permanent building and shall not at any time be stored outside of a building.
- 6.20.8 A home-based business shall not discharge or emit odorous, toxic, or noxious matters or vapours, heat, glare, noise, vibration, smoke, dust, effluent or other emission hazard, electrical interference or radiation across any lot line or between dwelling units.
- 6.20.9 A home-based business or a portion of a home-based business may be permitted within an accessory building subject to the following:
- a) the principal use on the subject property is a single residential dwelling;
  - b) the area of the home-based-business within an accessory building does not exceed the maximum area as specified in Subsection 6.20.3 in combination with any portion of the home-based business within the associated dwelling unit or secondary suite; and
  - c) the accessory building is a permanent structure.
- 6.20.10 A home-based business and all associated storage shall be wholly contained within the dwelling unit, secondary suite, recreational vehicle, or any accessory building associated with the home-based business.

## **6.21 RESIDENTIAL SHELTER**

- 6.21.1 The density of any dwelling unit may be increased in order to permit a residential shelter in any zone, provided that:
- a) The residential shelter is located within a single residential dwelling.
  - b) The maximum occupancy of a residential shelter does not exceed ten persons.
  - c) The operator of the residential shelter has entered into a Housing Agreement with the City, as per Section 483 of the Local Government Act. **(4500.158; 2019-DEC-02)**