Please Complete In Ink
All Questions Must be Answered

Permit # _____

Permit Fee: $50.00

TOWN OF LAKEVILLE

346 BEDFORD STREET
LAKEVILLE, MA 02347

APPLICATION FOR A HOME OCCUPATION PERMIT

In Compliance with Zoning By Law 6.4

OWNER OF RECORD: _____

D/B/A (Name if Applicable): _____

PROPERTY ADDRESS: _____

ASSESSOR'S MAP # _____

ZONING DISTRICT_____ **LOT SIZE (AREA)** _____

TYPE OF BUSINESS OR HOME OCCUPATION PROPOSED: _____

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- **NUMBER OF PEOPLE expected to be at this Home Occupation:** _____
- **TOTAL AREA of Dwelling & Accessory Building:** _____
- **TOTAL AREA to be used for Business or Home Occupation:** _____
- **Will the activity conform to the Home Occupation By Law?** YES _____ NO _____
- **Will a sign be erected for this Home Occupation?** YES _____ NO _____

NAME OF APPLICANT (PRINT): _____

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT: _____

PHONE: _____ **DATE:** _____

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REVIEWED & APPROVED BY: _____

Building Commissioner/ Zoning Enforcement Officer

DATE: _____

☐ **Home Occupation Issued** ☐ **Home Occupation Not Needed At This Time**

Note: You must go to the Town Clerk to obtain a Business Certificate

6.4 Home Occupation

A home occupation is defined and regulated as follows:

6.4.1 Home occupation is the use of a room or rooms in a dwelling and/or accessory building on the premises for a business activity carried on by the person or persons who live in that dwelling. A home occupation is a profession, trade, craft, activity, or other legal use conducted for financial gain. Such use must be clearly incidental and subordinate to the primary residential use of the premises. The purpose of these standards is to strictly limit the size, type, and intensity of a proposed home occupation so that the residences and residential properties do not become retail, commercial, or industrial in appearance or character.

6.4.2 A home occupation is permitted, upon the property owner filing an application with the Building Department for and receiving a home occupation permit reflecting the change of use, provided that the home occupation conforms to the following standards and requirements:

6.4.2.a the activities of the home occupation are primarily interior to the principal residential dwelling and/or accessory building, and do not substantially alter the residential appearance of the property.

6.4.2.b The home occupation shall be accommodated within an existing dwelling and/or accessory building and said dwelling and/or accessory building shall not be expanded to accommodate the occupation. Any accessory structure associated with the business use, such as a garage or shed, must be only for the storage of supplies, materials, tools, equipment, and/or vehicles. Building of a garage, shed, or any structure specifically for use in or by the home occupation is not permitted.

6.4.2.c No more than twenty-five percent of the total useable floor area of the residence and accessory building shall be used for the home occupation, which includes useable basement floor area.

6.4.2.d No more than three people who are not residents of the dwelling shall be employed on the premises in the home occupation. All primary business activities connected with the home occupation shall occur inside the dwelling and/or accessory building or off the premises.
For the purposes of this bylaw, any person who works at a business activity shall be considered as and counted as an employee of the home occupation. This includes, but is not limited to, a sub-contractor, a fee-for-service contractor or professional, and/or a person who rents business space within the home occupation.

6.4.2.e No more than three commercial vehicles registered to the home occupation or to any employee shall be parked on the premises. Any such vehicles shall not be offensive as to noise, emissions, odors, or vibration to the residential community. No vehicle used in the home occupation shall exceed 26,000 lbs. gross vehicle weight (GVW) nor shall require a Commercial Driver's License (CDL). Any ancillary registered

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From the office of
TOWN CLERK

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 110, Section 5 REQUIRES any person conducting business in the Commonwealth under any title other than the real name of the person conducting the business to file in the office of the Town Clerk a business certificate.*

NO REPRESENTATIONS AS TO THE LEGALITY OF SUCH BUSINESS UNDER ANY STATE STATUE, BUILDING CODE, TOWN BY –LAW OR ZONING BY-LAW ARE MADE BY THE ACCEPTANCE OF SUCH A BUSINESS CERTIFICATE BY THE TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE.

This law was enacted to protect creditors with whom traders contract under artificial description which, in the absence of such a certificate, might enable actual or responsible debtors for want of identification to escape liability.

The public should not rely on this certificate for other than its stated purpose and should contact the Office of the Building Inspector and Zoning Enforcement Officer for determinations.

**On October 4, 1985, Chapter 110, Section 5 was amended as follows:*
"A certificate issued in accordance with this section shall be in force and effect for four (4) years from the date of issue, and shall be renewed each four (4) years thereafter so long as such business shall be conducted and shall lapse and be void unless so renewed". (Chapter 337, Acts of 1985)