



TOWN OF COVENTRY, RI

Town Clerk's Office

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TRADE NAME CERTIFICATE

This certificate is filed pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws § 6-1-1, as amended, to certify that the individual(s) identified below intend to conduct business within the Town of Coventry under an assumed name.

Business Name:	
Street Address:	

Business Owner:	Name:	
	Address:	
	Phone:	Email:

Property Owner:	Name:	
	Address:	
	Phone:	Email:
	Signature:	Date:

Type of Business & Description of Business Activities at this Location:

WARNING: Filing a document with a public official that knowingly contains false information is a criminal misdemeanor punishable by up to a year in prison and/or a \$1,000 fine. *R.I. Gen. Laws § 11-18-1.*

----- To Be Signed Before a Notary Public -----

BUSINESS OWNER:

Name:

STATE OF RHODE ISLAND
COUNTY OF KENT

On this ____ day of _____, 20____, the Owner, _____, personally appeared before me and stated upon oath that the information provided in the above Trade Name Certificate is true and accurate.

Notary Public
Commission Expires:

Guidance for Business Activities in Residential Zones

Customary Home Occupations

A customary home occupation is any occupation, profession, activity, or use conducted for financial gain within a dwelling that is clearly customary, incidental, and accessory to the normal, residential uses of a dwelling unit. Customary home occupations do not alter the exterior of the property or affect the residential character of the neighborhood.

Customary home occupations are permitted uses in all residential zones *provided that* they comply with the following conditions:

1. All business activities must be clearly incidental and secondary to the property's principal use as a residence.
2. All business activities must be performed by a resident.
3. The home occupation shall not occupy more than 100 square feet of floor area;
4. No persons residing outside the home shall be employed on-site;
5. Business activities shall not be visible from any lot line.
6. No patrons or customers for the sale of products are permitted on the premises.
7. There shall be no exterior: displays, signs, storage of materials or other exterior indication that a home occupation is occurring on the premises (*except as may be otherwise permitted by the Zoning Ordinance*).
8. There shall be no change to the residential character of the principal building.
9. Home occupations shall not generate any: vibration, smoke, dust, odors, heat, glare or offensive noise.
10. No traffic shall be generated by such home occupation, including but not limited to: employees, customers, deliveries or shipments.
11. No dealing or selling of firearms or related products is permitted as a home occupation.

Rules for Parking / Storing Commercial Vehicles in Residential Zones

The parking or storage of commercial vehicles of over one (1) ton capacity is not permitted in a residential district without a Special Use Permit from the Zoning Board of Review, *except where* such parking or storage is directly related and accessory to a permitted use or lawful nonconforming use on the premises.

The parking or storage of one commercial vehicle up to 4 ton carrying capacity is permitted in the rural residential zones where:

- the property contains a minimum of 2 acres, and where
- the vehicle is stored in a building or in an area screened and/or landscaped as specified in Article 17 of the Zoning Ordinance.