



CUSTOMER SERVICE DEPARTMENT
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P. O. Box 636, Acworth, GA 30101

COMMERCIAL OCCUPATIONAL TAX APPLICATION (Revised 04/28/2021)
(REQUIREMENTS FOR OBTAINING COMMERCIAL OCCUPATIONAL TAX CERTIFICATE (BUSINESS LICENSE))

Please note that City Ordinances and Zoning Regulations may not allow the type or location of the business use you are applying for, or may impose restrictions or other regulations concerning that use. *Please obtain the approval of this Commercial Occupational Tax Application before signing any lease, incurring any cost, beginning any construction work, or investing substantial time on your business plans.* For questions concerning city zoning regulations, please contact the Community Development Director at (770) 974-3112.

LIST OF ITEMS TO SUBMIT WITH APPLICATION

1. If a Corporation, attach a copy of the Articles of Corporation including officers
2. Copy of the Federal Tax Certificate (EIN) and or Social Security Number as applicable
3. Copy State Sales and Use Tax Certificate, if applicable
4. Copy of State Licensure (cosmetology, physician, massage therapy, attorney, etc.)
5. Site Plan showing parking (8 ½ x 11)
6. Approved Stamped Detailed Floor Plan (8 ½ X 11) from the Cobb County Fire Marshal
7. **Please provide a copy of one (1) Secure and Verifiable Document such as a driver's license, passport, or other document from the list of secure and verifiable documents that is located on the Attorney General's website at law.ga.gov.**

APPLICATION APPROVAL PROCESS

1. Completed application with all of the applicable documents to be received by the Customer Service Department.
2. Application will be forwarded to the Community Development Department to verify addressing, land use, and building code compliance.
3. Contact the Cobb County Fire Marshal at (770) 528-8310 or visit www.cobbfire.org for plan review or to schedule an appointment. The Fire Marshal furnishes the plan review application, which is required prior to submitting an application for an occupational tax or business license.
 - A. Provide four (4) copies of the site and detail plans, as submitted with the application and the plan review sheet application for an appointment with the Fire Marshal. The Fire Marshal will red stamp plans.
 - B. Provide one copy of the stamped plans to the Customer Service Department.
 - C. Second set of plans, along with the plan review application attached, will be submitted to the Building Department for review. Contact (770) 974-2032. Please make sure that the Building Department has no questions or revisions before contacting the Fire Marshal for an on-site inspection.
 - D. Retain one (1) copy of plans, on-site, at business location.

Fire Marshal may be contacted for a final inspection once stamped plans from the Fire Marshal are received by the Customer Service Department, and if no changes are required by the Building Department. The Building Department will perform a courtesy building inspection after the Fire Marshal issues a final release.

1. If the business is intended for the sale or consumption of beer, wine, or alcohol, a completed "Alcohol Privilege License" application must be submitted to the City Clerk for consideration by the Acworth Board of Aldermen. Please contact the City Clerk's Office at (770) 974-3112 for further information.
2. Please check if applying for a business license for any of the following, whereas an additional application, addendum, permit or background check may apply:
 Massage Parlor Mobile Retail Food Establishment Pawnshop/Pawnbroker Precious Metals Dealers
 Taxicabs Bail Bondsmen Pain Clinic
3. If food service or sales will be conducted on-site, plans will need to be stamped "approved" by the Cobb County Board of Environmental Health. Contact 770) 435-7815.

Exception: Convenience stores, grocery stores, and food processing or packaging businesses (whose goods will be sold off-site), must submit plans to, and require the approval of the Georgia Department of Agriculture (Cobb County). Contact (770) 535-5955.

Note: Most convenience stores, grocery stores, restaurants, food processing and packaging businesses, delicatessens, etc., will require the installation and proper use of grease traps for the sanitary sewer system. An "approval letter" from the Cobb County Water and Sewer Department/Environmental Compliance Division must be obtained for all such businesses. Contact (770) 419-6317 or (6327).

Business Name: _____ Business Phone: _____
Fax: _____ E-Mail: _____ Website/Facebook: _____

Business Street Address: _____ Suite: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Mailing Street Address: _____ Suite: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Business Contact Person: _____ Contact Phone: _____

_____ Type of Business/Use of Property: _____

_____ Square Footage: _____ Name Landlord/Owner of the

Building/Property where the business is located: _____

Address: _____ Suite: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____ Phone: _____

1. Give a detailed list of all services offered to clients or customers at your business. Please be specific when listing these services. Failure to do so could cause your occupational tax certificate to be revoked. List such services in order of prominence. If there is more than one service that will be operating at the same location and under the same business name, a separate occupational tax certificate may be required for each. Attach an additional sheet, if necessary.

2. Give a detailed list of all products to be sold from the premises. Please be specific when listing these products. Failure to do so could cause your occupational tax certificate to be revoked. List products to be sold in order of their prominence. Attach an additional sheet if necessary.

3. If products are sold or services rendered, will such products or services be distinguished or characterized by their emphasis on matter depicting, describing or relating to specified sexual activities or specified anatomical areas as those terms are defined in Section 10-43 of the Code of Ordinances? Yes _____ No _____. If yes, please state what portion or percentage of the stock or service will be such?

4. Will the business permit or feature live performances by nude or semi-nude entertainers? Yes _____ No _____
5. If the answer to question 3 or 4 is yes, you will be required to fill out and submit a Sale/Display Area Site Plan.
6. To the extent that you are required to make application for a permit, obtaining the adult entertainment establishment permit is an additional requirement for obtaining a business occupation tax certificate.
7. Will there be any use, sale or storage of firearms, ammunitions or explosives? (Yes/No) If yes, give details: _____

8. Number of employees: _____ Full-time _____ Part-time _____ (Include owners and family members).
9. Will there be storage of materials of any kind? Yes _____ No _____ If yes, list types of materials and area where will they be stored: _____

10. Will there be any business vehicles (work trucks, delivery vehicles, trailers) in relation to the business: Yes _____ No _____ If yes, give parking and storage details: _____

FOR SOLE PROPRIETORS OR PARTNERSHIPS

Business Owner's Name: _____ If Partnership (Partner's Name): _____

Home Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Number: _____ Fax Number: _____

_____ Federal ID/If applicable, Social Security No.: _____

_____ State Sales and Use Tax No.: _____

FOR CORPORATIONS, LLC, OR OTHER CORPORATE ENTITIES

Corporate Business Name: _____

Home Office Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Home Office Main Phone Number: _____ Fax Number: _____

Federal ID/If applicable, Social Security No.: _____ State Sales and Use Tax No.: _____

EMERGENCY AFTER HOURS CONTACT INFORMATION

NAME: _____

NAME: _____

PHONE: _____

PHONE: _____

COMMERCIAL OCCUPATIONAL TAX APPLICATION

Affidavit Verifying Veracity of Commercial Occupational Tax Application Contents

By executing this affidavit under oath, I do hereby swear under penalty of perjury that the representations and information as contained in this Commercial Occupational Tax Application are true and correct and that any misrepresentations or material omissions shall formulate a basis for denial of this application.

The undersigned hereby warrants and represents that the undersigned understands the questions contained herein and the responses provided thereto, and that the undersigned has had ample opportunity to seek independent advice related thereto.

Signature of Applicant

Date

Printed Name

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN
BEFORE ME ON THIS THE
____ DAY OF _____, 20 ____

Notary Public _____

My Commission Expires: _____



Affidavit Verifying Status for City Public Benefit Application

By executing this affidavit under oath, as an applicant for a City of Acworth, Georgia, Business License or Occupation Tax Certificate, Alcohol License Taxi Permit or other public benefit as referenced in O.C.G.A. § 50-36-1, I am stating the following with respect to my application for a City of Acworth, (**check one of the following**):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Business License or Georgia Occupational Tax Certificate | Miscellaneous Licenses (check one below): |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Alcohol Beverage License | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Taxicab License | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Insurance Company License | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Employee Benefits (Retirement, Health, Disability) | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Contracts (Please specify type) _____ | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other public benefit (<i>indicate, if not listed above</i>) _____ | |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Auctioneers |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Pawn Brokers |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Massage Therapists |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Billiard Rooms Operations |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Precious Metals and Gems Dealers |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Flea Markets |

Name of Business _____

Check only one:

- 1) _____ I am a United States citizen.
- 2) _____ I am a legal permanent resident of the United States.
- 3) _____ I am a qualified alien or non-immigrant under the Federal Immigration and Nationality Act with an alien number issued by the Department of Homeland Security or other federal immigration agency.

My alien number issued by the Department of Homeland Security or other federal immigration agency is: _____.

The undersigned applicant also hereby verifies that he or she is 18 years of age or older and has provided at least one secure and verifiable document, as required by O.C.G.A. § 50-36-1(e)(1), with this affidavit.

The secure and verifiable document provided with this affidavit can best be classified as: _____.

In making the above representation under oath, I understand that any person who knowingly and willfully makes a false, fictitious, or fraudulent statement or representation in an affidavit shall be guilty of a violation of O.C.G.A. 16-10-20, and face criminal penalties as allowed by such criminal statute.

Executed this day of _____, 20 in _____ (city), _____ (state).

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN
BEFORE ME ON THIS THE
_____ DAY OF _____, 20_____

Signature of Applicant

Notary Public _____

Printed Name of Applicant

My Commission Expires: _____

*Note: O.C.G.A. § 50-36-1(e)(2) requires that aliens under the federal immigration and Nationality Act, Title 8 U.S.C., as amended, provide their alien registration number. Because legal permanent residents are included in the federal definition of "alien," legal permanent residents must also provide their alien registration number. Qualified aliens that do not have an alien registration number may supply another identifying number below:



Private Employer Affidavit Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 36-60-6(d)

By executing this affidavit under oath, as an applicant for a(n) _____ [business license, occupational tax certificate, or other document required to operate a business] as referenced in O.C.G.A. § 36-60-6(d), from _____ [name of county or municipal corporation], the undersigned applicant representing the private employer known as _____ (printed name of private employer) verifies one of the following with respect to my application for the above-mentioned document:

Section 1. Please check only one:

(A) _____ The individual, firm, or corporation employs **eleven (11) or more** employees.

*** If the employer selected 1(A), please **fill out** Section 2 below.

(B) _____ The individual, firm, or corporation employs **ten (10) or fewer** employees.

*** If the employer selected 1(B), please **skip** Section 2 and execute below.

Section 2,

The employer has registered with and utilizes the federal work authorization program in accordance with the applicable provisions and deadlines established in O.C.G.A. § 36-60-6(a). The undersigned private employer also attests that its federal work authorization user identification number and date of authorization are as listed below:

Federal Work Authorization User Identification Number (**E-VERIFY #**)

Date of Authorization

In making the above representation under oath, I understand that any person who knowingly and willfully makes a false, fictitious, or fraudulent statement or representation in an affidavit shall be guilty of a violation of O.C.G.A. § 16-10-20, and face criminal penalties allowed by such statute.

Executed on the _____ date of _____, 20____ in _____ (city), _____ (state)

Signature of Authorized Officer or Agent

Printed Name of and Title of Authorized Officer or Agent

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN BEFORE ME
ON THIS THE _____ DAY OF _____, 20____.

NOTARY PUBLIC

My Commission Expires:
