

**HOME INDUSTRIES**  
**SUMMARY OF PROPOSED REGULATIONS**

- **The Township Zoning By-law currently does not permit home industries.**
- **A home industry is a small business carried out in a single family house and/or a barn or other accessory building on the lot, which provides a service such as carpentry or electrical work primarily to the farming community.**
- **The Township is proposing to change the Zoning By-law to permit these uses in the rural area without a rezoning, if they meet certain conditions.**
- **The conditions which are being proposed are summarized as follows:**
  - **3 employees who do not reside in the house, in addition to the people who live in the house;**
  - **one small sign;**
  - **use to be clearly secondary to main residential and/or farm use;**
  - **use does not change the character of the house;**
  - **use does not create or become a public nuisance, or create noise, vibration, fumes, odour, dust, glare or radiation which is evident outside the dwelling unit or accessory building(s);**
  - **no goods, wares or merchandise offered for sale on the premises, other than those produced on the premises, with the exception that the telephone, internet or mail order of sale of goods, wares and merchandise shall be permitted;**
  - **the customers do not enter the premises to inspect, purchase or take possession of goods;**
  - **no outside animal enclosures or external storage of goods or materials associated with the home industry use;**

- **an underground or above-ground storage tank may be permitted provided it is equipped with an approved secondary containment device;**
- **not more than 25 percent of the gross floor area of the house shall be used for the purposes of the home industry;**
- **the maximum gross floor area of an accessory building or buildings being used for the home industry shall be 93 sq. metres;**
- **no more than 4 commercial motor vehicles or pieces of equipment related to the home industry parked on the lot. The commercial motor vehicles shall not exceed a one ton capacity;**
- **one parking space shall be provided for each employee who does not reside in the dwelling unit , and,**
- **any accessory building or buildings being used for the home industry use shall be located a minimum of 6 metres from any property line.**

