#### 2025 NEW BUSINESS LICENSE APPLICATION



Dear Clarkston Business Owner/Manager:

To apply for a commercial business license, you will need both an approved business use verification and a fire marshal inspection report.

City staff will review all applications for 2025 Occupational/Business Licenses, including the required supporting documents. Please refer to the attached checklist for full details on required documentation.

#### **Review Process:**

- Zoning Approval
- **DeKalb County Fire Marshal Approval** (Routing Sheet must be completed with your application)
- DeKalb County FOG Approval (if applicable)

#### Inspections:

- Building Inspection for Certificate of Occupancy (CO)
- **DeKalb County Fire Marshal Inspection** (Routing Sheet must be completed with application)
- Certificate of Occupancy (CO): Issued upon successful completion of all inspections.

There are two ways to submit your application:

- By Mail: Mail the completed application, along with a non-refundable \$100 administration fee (by check or money order), to: City of Clarkston City Hall Annex, ATTN: Occupational Tax, 1055 Rowland St., Clarkston, GA 30021. After your application is reviewed and approved, you will receive an invoice for any applicable occupational tax.
- 2. **In-Person**: Applications are accepted Monday through Friday, between 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. at the City Hall Annex. The non-refundable \$100.00 administration fee must be paid at the time of submission. Incomplete applications will **not** be accepted for processing.

Professionally classified businesses choosing to pay the flat tax may submit a total of \$500.00 (\$100.00 administrative fee + \$400.00 flat tax). Practitioner licensing will be verified.

Enclosed is the application and all related documentation requirements to register your business license. Before turning in your application, please ensure that all forms are complete, including all required documents, and pay the non-refundable \$100.00 Administrative Fee (if mailing).

PLEASE NOTE: INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

We look forward to collaborating with all our local businesses in the year ahead.

## \*\*\*\*\*IMPORTANT PLEASE READ\*\*\*\*\* \*\*\*\*\*Additional Documentation Required\*\*\*\*\*

#### Georgia Security and Immigration Compliance Act (O.C.G.A 50-36-1 through 3):

All businesses are now required to complete and return the "Affidavit Verifying Status of Benefit Applicant". This form must be completed in full, signed by an officer of the company, notarized and returned along with your completed application worksheet and payment in full. As specified on the Affidavit, you must also provide at least one "secure and verifiable" document with the completed Affidavit. Some examples of a secure and verifiable document are a current state issued ID, Driver's License or Passport.

**Immigration Legislation (HB87) Passed on April 14, 2011:** Effective July 1, 2013, any private company with more than 10 full-time employees, along with every public employer, regardless of its size, must register with the federal E-Verify program to check the legal status of new hires.

**Remittance Information:** Make your check payable to: **City of Clarkston** and mail it to City of Clarkston, ATTN: Occupational Tax, 1055 Rowland St., Clarkston, GA 30021.

#### **NO LONGER CONDUCTING BUSINESS IN CLARKSTON?**

If your business is no longer operating in Clarkston, please complete the **Affidavit: Business Sold or Terminated/Closed/Bankruptcy or Moved** form, indicating the date the business closed, was sold, or relocated. You can mail the completed affidavit to the City of Clarkston, or email it to the Clarkston Business License Department at <a href="mailto:tmitchell@cityofclarkston.com">tmitchell@cityofclarkston.com</a> or levans@cityofclarkston.com.

#### **2025 New Business License Checklist**

Application with Legible Contact Information
Georgia Sales Tax Number of Retail Sales (All Retail Sales Businesses)
Georgia Secretary of State Business Name Registration
Federal Employer Identification Number (Federal ID Number)
S.A.V.E Affidavit
Private Employer Affidavit
Copy of Leasing Agreement from Owner or Leasing Management
Identification of Business Owner/Photo ID
Architectural drawing of Floor Plan of Commercial Spaces (Mandatory)
Complete Business information on Routing Sheet (Mandatory)
Submit Non-refundable Administration Fee of \$100.00 with Application
Proof of DBA registration, if applicable
Campaign Disclosure Form
Home-Based Business Affidavit (Only for Home Occupations)

## **Business Type Checklist**

RE	<u>STAURANT</u>	<u>co</u>	NVENIENCE STORE/ GAS STATION
	Federal Employer ID Number		
	\$100 Administrative Fee		Federal Employer ID Number
	Copy of Current Lease		\$100 Administrative Fee
	Copy of Driver's license/Photo ID		Copy of Current Lease
	Current F.O.G. Permit		Copy of Driver's license/Photo ID
	GA. Dept. of Public Health: Food Services Permit		Current F.O.G. Permit
	If applicable		<ul> <li>Cooked food on site</li> </ul>
_	City Alcohol License		GA. Dept. of Agriculture: Food Sales Establishment
	<ul> <li>State Alcohol License</li> </ul>		Alcohol License
	<ul> <li>Copies of Employees services permit</li> </ul>		o City
	o Copies of Employees convious permit		o State
		П	COAM License
GR	ROCERY STORE	_	L & B Application
	Federal Employer ID Number		City License
	\$100 Administrative Fee	п	State Weights and Measures Fuel Registration
	Copy of Current Lease		State of Tobacco License
	Copy of Driver's license/Photo ID	ш	State of Tobacco License
	Current F.O.G. Permit	DD	OFESSIONAL PRACTICTIONERS/MEDICIAL
_	Cooking food on site		FICE/MEDICINE
П	GA. Dept. of Agriculture: Food Sales		Federal Employer ID Number
	State Tobacco License		
		_	GA. State License
	Other		Copy of Current Lease
			Copy of Current Lease Copy of Driver's license/Photo ID
DE	TAIL BUSINESS		
	Federal Employer ID Number	Ц	Evidence of Qualifications:
	\$100 Administrative Fee		Chiropractor     Dharmagy/Dharmagista
	·		<ul> <li>Pharmacy/Pharmacists</li> </ul>
	Copy of Current Lease	0.5	o Lawyer
	Copy of Driver's license/Photo ID		FICE
	GA. Dept. of Public Health: Food Services Permit		Federal Employer ID Number
	Pharmacy/Pharmacists		\$100 Administrative Fee
_	<ul> <li>Evidence of Qualifications</li> </ul>		Copy of Current Lease
Ц	Other		Copy of Driver's license/Photo ID
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	YCARE		o Insurance
_	Federal Employer ID Number		Real Estate
	\$100 Administrative Fee		o Auto Broker
	GA. State License-Bright from the Start		<ul> <li>IRS Tax Registration</li> </ul>
	Copy of Current Lease		Other
	Copy of Driver's license/Photo ID		
	Current F.O.G. Permit		
	<ul> <li>Cooked food on site</li> </ul>		RBER/HAIR/NAIL SALON
	GA. Dept. of Public Health: Food Services Permit	ᆜ	Federal Employer ID Number
	Other		\$100 Administrative Fee
			Copy of Current Lease
<u>EN</u>	IMISSION/AUTO REPAIR		Copy of Driver's license/Photo ID
	Federal Employer ID Number		Copy of Shop license
	\$100 Administrative Fee		Copy of State license
	Copy of Current Lease		<ul> <li>Barber</li> </ul>
	Copy of Driver's license/Photo ID		<ul><li>Stylist</li></ul>
П	Emissions Certificate		Nail Technician

#### BUSINESS REGISTRATION/OCCUPATIONAL TAX CERTIFICATE APPLICATION

#### For Calendar Year 2025

Check One: □ Sole Owner □Partnership □C	Final ( <b>Date business sold or clo</b> Corporation □LLC.	sed:)
Check One:   Home-Based  Commercial Space Days of Operations:	Business Hours	of Operation:
Business Name:		
Business Address:		
Business Phone:		
Mailing Address:		
Email Address:		
Business Manager Social Security Number:		
Federal ID Number: Ge	orgia Sales Tax Number:	
Business Owner Name:		
Owner's Home Address		
Home Phone:		
Owner's Social Security Number	D.O.B.	
Property Owner(s) Name:		
Property Owner(s) Home Address:		
Property Owner(s) Contact Information:		
In accordance with the business ordinance of the City of (insert title) of the business, to file this application. I understand that this application issued without the approval of the Fire Marshall.	do certify that I am the person	duly authorized by the business herein named
Applicant Signature		Date
In making the above representation under oath, I unders or fraudulent statement or representation in an affidavit s Executed in(City),	hall be guilty of a violation of O.0	ingly and willfully makes a false, fictitious, C.G.A. 16-10-20.
Signature of Applicant		Date
Printed Name		
Subscribed to and sworn before me on this the		
Day of20		
Notary Public		
	FOR OFFICE USE ONLY	
SIC Code: Business Type: Bu		App Fee Pd:
Compliance Code: Approved by: Date A Zoning: Parcel #:		Comments Attached:
Comments:		Date:
Occ Tax Billed: Occ Tax Paid:		

# Affidavit Verifying Status of Benefit Applicant \*\*REQUIRED\*\*

Pursuant to the Georgia Security and Immigration Compliance Act (O.C.G.A 50-36-1), effective July 1, 2007, every agency in **Clarkston** providing public benefits through any local program is responsible for determining the immigration status of citizen applicants for said benefits.

By executing this affidavit under oath, as an applicant for benefits, I am stating the following with respect to my application on for benefits from the City of Clarkston:

Select one o	f the below.						
		I am a United S	States citizen 18 years	s of age or older.			
	I am a legal permanent resident 18 years of age or older.						
	I am a qualified alien or non-immigrant under the Federal Immigration and Nationality Act, Title 8 U.S.C., as amended, 18 years of age or older and lawfully present in the United States. My alien number issued by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security or other federal immigration agency is						
bv	ned applicant also hereby		or she has provided at	it least one secure and verifiable document, as req	uired		
The secure a	nd verifiable document pr	ovided with this a	ffidavit can best be clas	assified as:			
(Please enclos	se legible copy of documer	nt with Affidavit.)					
				who knowingly and willfully makes a false, fictitious, ation of O.C.G.A. 16-10-20.			
Executed in _		<u>(</u> City),		(State).			
Signature of A	Applicant		Date	_			
Printed Name	9						
Subscribed to	o and sworn before me on	this the					
	Day of	20					
Notary Public	;						
My Commissi	ion Expires:						

## Private Employer Affidavit Pursuant to O.C.G.A. § 36-60-6(d) \*\*REQUIRED FORM\*\*

By executing this affidavit under oath, the undersigned private employer verifies one of the following with respect to its application for a business license, occupational tax certificate, or other document required to operate a business as referenced in O.C.G.A. § 36-60-6(d):

	Please check On January than ten (1		ow-signed year, the individual, firm, o	or corporation employed more
*** If	•	,	fill out Section 2 and then execute be	elow.
	On Januar	( ), [	low-signed year, the individual, firm,	
*** If y	you select Section	on 1(B), please s	skip Section 2, and execute below.	
applicable	yer has registere provisions and	deadlines estab	zes the federal work authorization problished in O.C.G.A. § 36-60-6. The uation user identification number and	undersigned private employer
Name of P	rivate Employer		_	
Federal W	ork Authorization	n User Identifica	_ ation Number	
Date of Au	ithorization		_	
I hereby d	eclare under pe	enalty of perjur	ry that the foregoing is true and co	rrect.
Executed	on	, 20 in	(City)	(State)
Signature	e of Authorize	d Officer or A	gent	
Printed N	lame and Title	of Authorized	d Officer or Agent	
SUBSCR ON THIS	IBED AND SW THE D	ORN BEFORE	E ME , 20	
NOTARY	PUBLIC			
My Comm	nission Fynire	<i>7</i> 6.		

\*\*FORM REQUIRED\*\*\* This form must be completed and returned with your Clarkston Occupational Tax Renewal and payment. Failure to return this completed Private Employer Affidavit with your renewal and payment will delay the issuance of your occupational certificate.

### **BUSINESS OCCUPATIONAL TAX CALCULATION WORKSHEET**

I understand that if it is determine board certification along with my the issuance of my Occupational Verifying Status of the Applicant Occupational Tax Certificate.	renewal. I understand that failure Tax Certificate. I also understar and the "Private Employer Affi	to supply this documents and that if I do not complete davit" this will result in a	tion could result in a delay in ete and return the "Affidavit a delay of the issuance of my
	ed that my occupational license re	quires board certification	I must submit a copy of that
I hereby swear under penalty of percorrect, and complete. I understate operate unless the business is projections.	erjury that the information reported and that the issuance of the Occup perly zoned and in compliance with the compliance with	d on this worksheet is to the ational Tax Certificate do the all applicable City of C	he best of my knowledge true, bes not permit the business to llarkston and State of Georgia
levans@cityofclarkston.com	ston ● Attn: Occupational Tax ● 89. You can also email us at <u>tmit</u>	1055 Rowland St ● Clar tchell@cityofclarkston.c	kston, GA 30021.) com or
6. Total Amount Due (Add Lines 4 – 5	)	(6)	
5. Administrative Fee (ALL BUSINE	SSES PAY)		\$ 100.00
4. Professional Flat Tax (ONLY)		(4)	
1. Estimated Annual Gross Receipt	s for 2025 <u>\$</u> (First \$20,000 in Gross Receipts	- \$20,000 =(C	annot be less than \$0.00)
Gross Receipts for Current Year			
Submit Gross Receipt Totals and you will be emailed an in		nent will calculate any	Occupational Tax Owed
`	ners (OCGA §48-13-9(c) <b>Ch</b> ax - Enter \$400 on line 4 below , please submit a copy of your s	and complete calculation	ons.)
Notice: If your business has discortion Date Business Moved, (	ntinued in Clarkston, ENTER THE DI Closed, or Sold:		
SIC CODE:	FEE CLASS:	FEE RA	TE:
MAILING ADDRESS:			
PHYSICAL ADDRESS:			



### **DISCLOSURE OF CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS**

Pursuant to OCGA, Section 36-67A-3(a), the following disclosure is mandatory when an applicant or any representative has made campaign contributions aggregating \$250.00 or more to a local government within two (2) years immediately preceding the filing of this application.

It shall be the duty of the applicant and the attorney governing authority of the respective local government.	
Have you, the applicant, made \$250.00 or more in care two years immediately preceding the filing of this application.	
Yes No No	
If the answer is <b>yes</b> , you must file a disclosure report wi	th the governing authority of City of Clarkston showing:
<ol> <li>The name and official position of the local governing contribution was made.</li> </ol>	authority in City of Clarkston to whom the campaign
Name and official position of the applicant/representative (F	Please Print)
The dollar amount and description of each cal immediately preceding the filing of this application are	
\$	
Description of Campaign Contribution Dollar (Please Print)	r Amount
This disclosure must be filed within ten (10) days after the Clarkston, 3921 Church Street, Clarkston, GA 30021.	application is first filed and must be submitted to the City of
ignature (choose one) Applicant  Owner	Date
otary Signature	Date and Seal
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#### **HOME-BASED BUSINESS AFFIDAVIT**

If you intend to operate a business from a residential property, you must read and sign this affidavit.

#### Sec. 407. Home Occupations.

- (a) It is the intent and purpose of this section to provide for certain types of restricted occupational uses within residential zoning districts. Such uses are restricted to those which:
  - (1) Are incidental to the use of the premises as a residence;
  - (2) Are compatible with residential uses; and
  - (3) Do not detract from the residential character of the neighborhood.
- (b) In all residential zoning districts, any building used for residential occupancy may conduct a home occupation use provided that:
  - (1) The primary use of the unit is a dwelling;
  - (2) The following standards are complied with in full at all times:
    - (i) Such use shall be conducted entirely within the dwelling unit;
    - (ii) At least one (1) resident of the dwelling unit shall be present and engaged in the home occupation at all times that the home occupation is open for business;
    - (iii) No more than three (3) total persons (including residents) may be employed by the home occupation at any given time.
    - (iv) No mechanical or electrical equipment is to be utilized except that which is necessarily, customarily, or ordinarily used for household or leisure purposes;
    - (v) No equipment that interferes with radio and/or television reception shall be allowed.
    - (vi) No toxic, explosive, flammable, combustible, corrosive, radioactive, or other restricted materials shall be used or stored on the premises;
    - (vii) There shall be no outside operations, storage, or display of materials or products;
    - (viii) No accessory buildings shall be used in connection with the home occupation.
    - (ix) No alteration of the residential appearance of the premises occurs, including the creation of a separate entrance to the dwelling or utilization of an existing entrance exclusively for the business;
    - (x) There shall be no exterior evidence of the home occupation, except for the sign permitted by this section;
    - (xi) No commodity shall be stocked or sold on the premises to the general public;
    - (xii) No process shall be used which is hazardous to public health, safety, or welfare;



#### **HOME-BASED BUSINESS AFFIDAVIT**

- (xiii) Visitors, customers, or deliveries shall not exceed that normally and reasonably occurring for a residence and shall, under no circumstance, exceed more than eight (8) business visitors/customers per day and not more than two (2) manufacturer or wholesaler direct deliveries of products or materials per week;
- (xiv) No on-street parking associated with the business shall be permitted;
- (xv) Only vehicles used primarily as passenger vehicles shall be permitted in connection with the conduct of the home occupation; and
- (xvi) The home occupation shall be restricted to fifty (50) percent of the dwelling's floor space and shall not exceed four hundred and fifty (450) square feet of total floor area. Said home occupation use shall be clearly secondary to the use of the dwelling for dwelling purposes.
- (c) In all non-residential zoning districts, any building used for residential occupancy may conduct business provided that:
  - (1) The home occupation shall not involve more than three (3) employees on site who do not live in the dwelling unit;
  - (2) A home occupation may include professional and medical offices that are properly licensed and insured when required, office of a licensed/certified health service practitioner, including a surgeon, dentist dental surgeon, osteopathic physician, psychologist, or other medical practitioner licensed by the state, who receives and treats patients on the premises;
  - (3) A home occupation may include the office of a person engaged in a profession, including a lawyer, an accountant, an auditor, an engineer, an architect, a real estate agent, or another profession similar in character, who receives and consults with clients on the premises;
- (d) A home occupation may have a single sign indicating the name of the business mounted as a wall sign on the dwelling, secured to the primary residential use, and having an area of no more than two (2) square feet.
- (e) Adult day care centers, day care nurseries, child care learning centers, family child care learning homes, tutoring and academic instruction are expressly permitted as home occupations by this zoning code.

Signature	Title
Print Name	Date







#### **CITY ROUTING SHEET OF THE CITY OF CLARKSTON**

CITY TEMPORARY PERMIT #	DEKALB AP#	DEKALB AP#		
BUSINESS NAME:				
BUSINESS ADDRESS				
APPLICANT NAME:	CITY	ZIP		
PHONE #	EXT.			
EMAIL:				
*TO BE COMPLI	ETED BY CITY REPRESENTATIVE ONLY*			
MANDATORY DETAILS				
SQ FT: (IF SQFT IS OVER 5,000, MUST SUBMIT STAMPED PLANS)	ANY RENOVATION: YES: require architecture stamped			
WAREHOUSE: YES NO	COMMODITY LIST: YES	NO		
*UNDER 5,000 SQ FT (no work) MUS	T SUBMIT A SKETCH OF TENANT SPACE	SKETCHES SKETCHES		
PLEASE CHECK (All check marks require supporting doc  FIRE  MOVE-IN-AS-IS (only for under 5,000 s	BLASTING Sq ft WATERSHED F.O.G.	* Total SF & dimensions  * Label ea. Rm  *Location of emergency signs & extinguishers  * ALL walls, entrances, doors, stairs		
*MANDATORY* An affix City stamp is  SCOPE OF WORK: (Please describe business)	required on all plans that are submitted to Dek	alb County.		
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CITY REPRESENTATIVE	DA	TE		
I hereby certify that I understand that it is my res	sponsibility to submit the requred documents for the	reviews listed above		
APPLICANT SIGNATURE		TF		