

# WEST VIRGINIA CODE: §8-40-3

## §8-40-3. Reasonable regulations.

(a) A municipality may establish reasonable regulations on a home-based business where the regulation is rationally related to a legitimate government interest including, but not limited to, any of the following purposes:

(1) The protection of the public health and safety, as defined in this code, including rules and regulations related to fire and building codes, health and sanitation, transportation, or traffic control, solid or hazardous waste, pollution, and noise control.

(2) Ensuring that the business activity is:

(A) Compatible with residential use of the property and surrounding residential use;

(B) Secondary to the use as a residential dwelling; or

(C) Complying with state and federal law and paying applicable taxes.

(3) Limiting or prohibiting the use of a home-based business that engages in any of the following activities:

(A) Selling illegal drugs or products containing alcohol or tobacco;

(B) Operating a sober living home;

(C) Selling pornography or otherwise obscene material;

(D) Operating a vape shop; or

(E) Operating a commercial establishment where nude or topless dancing occurs.