South Fulton, Georgia
Application Instructions

It is the responsibility of every business owner/official/applicant to make certain that the type or nature of the business activity being conducted at any location in the City of South Fulton is permitted by and conforms to the zoning ordinances of the City. Activity or “use” means any business activity including the dominant activity and all other business activity conducted by the business at a location. You must not begin operation of your business at any location until it is determined by the Director of the City’s zoning department that your “business use” is permitted at the business’s location. Zoning application must be completed and submitted with payment of completed application.

Calculation Instructions:
The fee for the certificate is based on the number of employees x $13.00 plus gross receipts times the tax rate for your business. The tax class is determined by the NAICS Code (North American Industry Classification System).

- Fee = Gross Receipts x Tax Rate (see fee schedule) + $95 (Administration Fee) + Number of Full-Time Employees x $13.00.

Full-Time Employee calculation: The number of employees of the business or practitioner as computed on a full-time position basis or full-time position equivalent basis, provided that for the purposes of this computation an employee who works 40 hours or more weekly shall be considered a full-time employee and that the average weekly hours of employees who work less than 40 hours weekly shall be added and such sum shall be divided by 40 to produce full-time position equivalents.

As Required by O.C.G.A 36-60-6(a): Before any county or municipal corporation issues a business license to any person engaged in a profession or business required to be licensed by the state under Title 43, the person must provide evidence of such licensure to the appropriate agency of the county or municipal corporation that issues business licenses. No business license shall be issued to any person subject to licensure under Title 43 without evidence of such licensure being presented. If it is determined your occupational license requires board certification, you must submit a copy of that certification along with your renewal. Failure to supply this documentation could result in a delay of the issuance of your certificate.

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 renewal 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 US passport. For a full list of acceptable documents please visit the Avenu website at www.avenuinsights.com (Taxpayer → Georgia → Taxpayer Forms) or the Attorney General of Georgia’s website at http://law.ga.gov.

Immigration Legislation (HB87) Passed on April 14, 2011: Effective July1, 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. However, this requirement went into effect for larger companies with 100 or more employees in 2012.

Exemption from payment of occupation tax, administrative fee, or regulatory fee: The following classes of persons may peddle, conduct business, or practice the professions and semiprofessions in any county or municipality in this state without paying an occupation tax, administrative fee, or regulatory fee for the privilege of so doing, provided such person receives a certificate of exemption issued by the commissioner of veterans service: (1) Any disabled veteran of any war or armed conflict in which any branch of the armed forces of the United States engaged, whether under United States command or otherwise; (2) Any blind person; or (3) Any veteran of peace-time service in the United States armed forces who has a physical disability incurred during the period of such service. Documentation is required.
1. Legal Business Name:

2. Doing Business As (DBA) (if applicable):

3. Business Physical Address: __________________________________________ Suite or Apt. No.: __________________________


5. Business Telephone Number: ___________________ Fax Number: __________ Email: __________________________

6. Contact Person: ___________________________________________________ Contact’s Title: ____________________________ Contact’s Phone Number: __________________________

7. Ownership Type: ______Corporation ______Sole Proprietorship ______General Partnership ______LLC ______LLP ______Foreign Corp ______Other (Describe):

**Corporations and partnerships must provide the name of all officers or partners, titles, mailing addresses, phone numbers and SSNs on a separate sheet of paper**

8. Owner Name: __________________________ Owner Mailing Address: ______________________________________


10. Date business commenced in South Fulton: ____________ Number of Employees (Required): ______________________

11. Estimate gross receipts for the year $___________________ for the period _____/_____/_____ through _____/_____/_____

12. Is this a home-based occupation? Yes or No

13. Have you registered your trade name? Yes or No (If yes, please submit a copy of the printout from the Secretary of State’s website.)

14. Is this business required by the State of Georgia to have a state license? Yes or No (If yes, please submit a copy of the state license.)

15. Are you licensed through the Secretary of State’s Professional Licensing Boards? Yes or No (If yes, please provide copy of the board certificate.)

16. Give a description of primary business activity: _____________________________________________________________

**Occupational License Calculations**

The occupation business tax is based either on the total gross receipts, business type and number of full-time employees or a flat rate per practitioner if the business is a professional practitioner. Complete the below for computation of fees:

1. Gross Receipts since business began: $___________________ (-20,000.00) x (Rate in fee schedule*) + (50.00) $___________

   *Report gross receipts even if under $20,000, gross receipts under $20,000 will pay a base fee of $50.00

2. Number of full-time Employees (see definition in application instructions): ___________ x $13.00 $___________

3. Subtotal of 1 and 2: $___________

4. Professional Practitioners may elect to pay a flat fee per practitioner instead of gross receipts.

   If per practitioner fee is chosen, please submit a separate application for each practitioner. Each practitioner fee is $400.00

   $___________

5. Administrative fee is due for ALL applications. $95.00

6. Total Fees Due (Either line 3 and line 5 or lines 4 and 5) $___________

* Rate is determined by the municipality based on the dominant service or product as described in O.C.G.A § 48-13-12. For rate information, see the fee schedule located at www.avenuinsights.com. Financial Institutions minimum business tax due is $1,000.00. More instructions are located on the back of this form.

By signing below, you acknowledge that it is your responsibility to ensure that your business meets all occupancy and zoning requirements of the City of South Fulton and that the information given on this form is true and correct to the best of your knowledge.

__________________________________________________    __________________________
Signature of Owner/Officer, Manager, responsible for form Email

Printed Name of Signature Title

Make Check or Money Order Payable to: Tax Trust Account Date

Mail To: Avenu, Business License Department

PO Box 830900, Birmingham, AL 35283-0900
BUSINESS OCCUPATIONAL TAX CERTIFICATE
ZONING CONFIRMATION FORM

The issuance of a Business Tax Certificate does not ensure that a business can legally operate at the subject site. This form must be submitted to the Fulton County Department of Environment & Community Development as part of the application process in order to verify that the subject site is zoned appropriately for the applicant’s business type.

Business Name: ____________________________________________

Business Address: ____________________________________________

City, State, Zip ____________________________________________

Business Phone # __________________________ Fax# ______________

Type of Business (primary) ______________________________________

Description of Nature of Business ________________________________

Will you be storing any material(s) pertaining to the business at the Business Address listed above Yes____ No ______ (if yes please list material(s)) __________________________________________

Type of Ownership: ____ GA Corporation ____ Foreign Corporation ____ Sole Owner ____ Partnership ____ Other

Corporate Name: __________________________ Owners Name: __________________________

Mailing Address: __________________________ City, State, Zip ______________

Primary Contact: __________________________ Phone # __________________________

I, the undersigned, verify that the information completed on this form is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Applicant’s Name: __________________________ Date: __________

Applicant Signature: __________________________

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1. ______ The address above is zoned __________________________ and can be utilized for the legal operation of the applicant’s referenced business type.

2. ______ The address above is zoned __________________________ and CANNOT be utilized legally for the operation of the applicant’s referenced business type.

Staff Signature: __________________________ Date: __________________________

Home Occupation Form: Article 4.12

CUSTOMER SIGNATURE: __________________________