

## Business in Lake Oswego

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If you have specific questions relating to your particular project or site, please contact the Planning and Building Services Department at 503-635-0270.

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### [Getting a Business License](#)

Welcome to Lake Oswego and thank you for choosing Lake Oswego for your business! One of the requirements of operating a business within the city limits is to acquire a Lake Oswego Business License, **prior to the operation of the business.**

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#### **Deciding Where to Locate Your Business**

The City of Lake Oswego has eight different commercial zones and two industrial zones (view [Business District Map](#)). In addition to these base zones, certain commercial properties may be further regulated by...

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[Signs](#)

The purpose of the Sign Code is to ensure that signs are constructed, erected, and maintained in a safe manner that does not create visual distractions, or hazards for pedestrians or motorists. It also helps our community maintain a neat, clean, orderly, and attractive appearance.

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[Home-based Businesses](#)

The City of Lake Oswego is home to more than 800 home-based businesses, or Home Occupations. These occupations include:

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- - [City Code & Charter](#)

**City Code and Charter of the City of Lake Oswego, Oregon**  
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Lake Oswego businesses can access a wide variety of local, regional, and state business assistance resources.

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