



RESIDENTIAL CHICKEN PERMIT APPLICATION

LICENSE FEE \$25.00

Site Address for Chickens _____

Site Acreage _____ Number of Chickens _____

The above referenced property's Homeowners Association rules, if any, do not prohibit the keeping of chickens on the property (please initial)

Yes _____ No _____ Not Applicable _____

Applicant Information

Name _____ Phone Number _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email Address _____

Coop/Run Information

Dimensions of chicken coop _____

Dimensions of chicken run _____

Does the owner plan to utilize electricity in the chicken coop? Yes ___ No _____

If yes, please describe _____

THE FOLLOWING MUST BE SUBMITTED WITH THE CHICKEN LICENSE APPLICATION

Please submit a scaled sketch with the proposed improvements for your chickens. This sketch should include:

- Location and size of your house
- Your lot lines
- Location, size and type of all structures and containment areas for the chickens (coop, pen and fencing)
- Setbacks of chicken structure
- Setbacks and use of adjacent structures (habitable structures on neighboring properties)

Distance between chicken structure and adjacent habitable structures on neighboring properties cannot be closer than 20 feet.

In addition, the keeping of chickens may be permitted as an accessory use to a single family residence subject to the following conditions:

- No person may keep a rooster or crowing hen.
- No person may allow chickens to range freely without fencing or without a mobile pen.
- No person may keep chickens inside the house or attached garage.
- Chickens must be provided a secure and well ventilated roofed structure ("chicken coop").
- The roofed structure and required fencing for the chickens may only be located in a rear yard and must meet setback and building separations as established in city zoning and building codes, except that the roofed structure and fencing must maintain a 20 foot separation from dwellings on adjacent properties.
- The roofed structure shall be fully enclosed, wind proof, and have sufficient windows for natural light.
- Chickens, coops, and/or runs shall not be kept in such a manner as to constitute a nuisance. All premises on which chickens are kept or maintained shall be kept clean from filth, garbage, and any substances which attract rodents. The coop and its surrounding area must be cleaned frequently enough to control odor. Manure shall not be allowed to accumulate in a way that causes an unsanitary condition or causes odors detectible on another property.
- All grain and food stored for the use of the hens shall be kept in a rodent proof container.
- The chicken coop and run shall be kept in good repair as to be in compliance with the property maintenance regulations elsewhere in the Code.

- All chicken coops must have a minimum size of four (4) square feet per bird and must be at least 4 feet in height.
- Fenced in chicken runs must have a minimum of ten (10) square feet per bird and must be at least 4 feet in height.
- All butchering waste shall be disposed of in a sanitary manner.
- Dead chickens must be disposed of according to the Minnesota Board of Animal Health rules which require chicken carcasses to be disposed of as soon as possible after death, usually within 48 to 72 hours. Legal forms of chicken carcass disposal include burial, off-site incineration or rendering, or composting.

_____ I understand that the City will send notices of my permit application to all neighbors within 150 feet of my property lines.

_____ I have read and I understand the conditions under which I may keep chickens, as set forth in this application and City Code Section 95.109 *et seq.* I agree to abide by these conditions. Failure to abide by these conditions will result in cancellation of the permit.

Applicant Printed Name

Date

Applicant Signature

OFFICE USE ONLY

Notices mailed on: _____

Permit Fee Paid: Yes _____ No _____

Permit valid until: _____

Permit Approved: Yes _____ No _____ Signature: _____



Property and Coop Diagram

Please supply a scaled sketch of your property and chicken coop. (See example on next page)

The sketch must include:

- Location of house and surrounding buildings
- Your lot lines
- Location, size and type of all structures for the keeping of chickens
- Setbacks of coop and runs

Coops must be setback 20 feet from all habitable structures.

A large, empty rectangular box with a black border, intended for the applicant to draw a scaled sketch of their property and chicken coop. The box occupies the majority of the lower half of the page.



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