



## Supplement to Chicken Coop and Run Application

### **Applicant is responsible to comply with conditions below:**

- No person shall own, keep, harbor or have custody of any live chicken without obtaining a building permit from the City.
- The owner of the chickens must occupy the premises for which the permit is issued.
- No roosters or crowing hens.
- Chickens are not allowed to range freely without fencing or mobile pen. Chickens must be contained to approved area at all times.
- No breeding. The raising of chickens for breeding purposes is prohibited.
- No slaughtering or processing of the chickens.
- Chickens over the age of six (6) weeks shall not be kept in a dwelling or attached garage.
- Chickens shall be protected from weather and predators in a coop.
- Chickens shall have access to the outdoors in an enclosure or fenced area. The shelter/enclosure shall meet all of the following:
  - Roofed structure and required fencing for the chickens may only be located in rear yard and must be set back ten (10) feet from lot lines and twenty (20) feet from dwelling on adjacent properties.
  - The cumulative total for the enclosure of fenced area for chickens shall not exceed 40 sq. ft. per bird and shall not exceed six (6) feet in height.
  - The structure shall be fully enclosed, windproof, and have sufficient windows for natural light constructed with architecturally appropriate building materials including exterior grade siding and either a metal, composite or shingled roof. Or in the alternative, coop shall be purchased from a commercial source that constructs structures specifically to be used as coops for chickens.
  - The proposed coop must be consistent with the accessory structure zoning regulations elsewhere in this Code.
  - Coop and run must be removed, and site restored if keeping of chickens is discontinued for more than 12 months.
- Owners shall care for chickens in a humane manor and shall prevent nuisance conditions by ensuring the following conditions are met:
  - The shelter and enclosure are maintained in good repair, and in a clean and sanitary manner, free of vermin and objectionable odors.
  - Feces and discarded feed is regularly collected and stored in a leak-proof container with a tight-fitting cover to prevent nuisance odors and the attraction of vermin until it can be disposed properly.
  - Chicken feed shall be stored in leak-proof containers with a tight-fitting cover to prevent attracting vermin.
  - 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.
  - Permits are good for two (2) years and will require a compliance inspection and a license from Code Enforcement yearly thereafter.
- A statement certifying whether the property's homeowners' association rules, if any, prohibit the keeping of chickens.

**Failure to keep such conditions will constitute a violation of the provisions of this article and grounds for cancelation and revocation of the permit.**

**Signature of Applicant** \_\_\_\_\_ Pursuant to the Data Privacy Act information provided is public.