



Residential Chicken Keeping Guidelines in Pulaski County

Residential Chicken Keeping (conditions listed below) is only allowed in the following Zoning Districts:

Rural Residential (RR)
Residential (R)
Low Density Residential (LR)
Planned Unit Development (PUD)

A zoning permit is required to allow Residential Chicken Keeping in the above districts.

Chickens are allowed in Agricultural (A) and Conservation (C) and are NOT subject to the conditions below.

Residential Chicken Keeping

- a. For personal use only;
- b. Male chickens (roosters) or any crowing hens are prohibited;
- c. A minimum lot size of one-half (0.5) acre is required;
- d. For less than 20 chickens, chicken coops and enclosures shall be located in the rear yard only, shall be setback at least 25 feet from the side and rear property lines, and cannot exceed eight (8) feet in height;
- e. For 20 or more chickens, chicken coops and enclosures shall be located in the rear yard only, shall be setback at least 40 feet from the side and rear property lines, and cannot exceed eight (8) feet in height;
- f. Up to 10 chickens can be kept on the property between one-half (0.5) acre and two (2.0) acres;
- g. Up to 30 chickens can be kept on property larger than two (2.0) acres;
- h. Feed storage shall be done in a manner that does not attract rodents;
- i. Chicken feces shall be disposed of in a sanitary manner;
- j. Outdoor slaughtering of chickens is prohibited;
- k. The chickens shall not be kept in a manner that constitutes a nuisance, health hazard, or in violation of any other laws or ordinances; and
- l. Chickens shall have adequate shelter.