



Urban Chicken Permit Application



DEMOGRAPHICS

Permit Applicant: _____ Phone: _____

Is Permit Applicant also Property Owner? Yes / No

Physical Address: _____
Street, City, State, Zip

Mailing Address: _____
Street, City, State, Zip

E-mail Address: _____

Is this a Single Family Dwelling? Yes / No

Is this dwelling a: _____ Rental Unit* or _____ Owner Occupied

*If rental unit, notarized letter is required by owner.

REQUIRED CHICKEN INFORMATION

Number of Hens to be kept on property (max 4): _____

Chicken Coop Dimensions:

**Chicken enclosure or fenced area must be a minimum size of 4 square feet but no larger than 12 square feet per chicken housed.

**Coop, fowl house, or mobile coop, better known as a chicken tractor, cannot be less than 18" in height.

Height: _____ Width: _____ Length: _____

- ⇒ Site plan is required. (Can be found on back.)
- ⇒ Hen House/ Chicken Tractor must be at least 25 feet from all property lines.
- ⇒ Coop or fowl house must be used for only chickens.
- ⇒ Any coop, fowl house, or fenced pen area must be well drained so there is no accumulation of moisture.
- ⇒ Any coop, fowl house, or fenced pen area shall be kept clean, sanitary and free from accumulation of chicken excrement and objectionable odors. All droppings and body excretions shall be either placed in fly-proof containers and double-bagged in plastic bags or, in the alternative, used as fertilizer on the same property or, with the owner's permission, on other property within the City, so long as the droppings and body excretions are spread and incorporated into the soil within twenty four (24) hours.

*By signing this application, the applicant attests to having read and understood the requirements of Waverly City Code Chapter 72 and affirms that all submitted information is true and correct.

Applicant Signature: _____ Date: _____

* Permits cost \$30.00 and be valid for (3) three calendar years. Fees will be refunded if permit is denied. Fees will not be refunded if chickens are removed from the premises prior to reaching December 31 of year three.

* Checks can be made payable to the City of Waverly.



Planning and Zoning Department
200 1st St. NE PO Box 616
Waverly, IA 50677
zoning@waverlyia.com
(319) 352-9208

SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST

- It is important to note that it is possible that neighborhood covenant and restrictions may prohibit this activity. You are encouraged to check with your sub division or Homeowner's Association before applying for a permit from the City. The City cannot enforce homeowner association rules.
- The City is not liable for the injury or death of the chickens, as it is the responsibility of the property owner to ensure the coop and chicken feed are designed to prevent entry of any sort of animal.
- All chicken feed shall be stored in rodent-proof containers
- Hens only; no roosters.
- No selling of eggs or slaughtering of chickens.
- The applicant understands and agrees to not allow their hens to become a nuisance or burden on the community which violates this or other applicable city codes.
- Failure to comply with the provisions of this or related ordinances shall result in fees, fines, penalties and possible revocation in accordance to law.

OFFICIAL USE ONLY

APPLICATION RECEIVED: _____ IS THIS A RENEWAL? Y / N

APPROVING SIGNATURE: _____ DATE APPROVED: _____

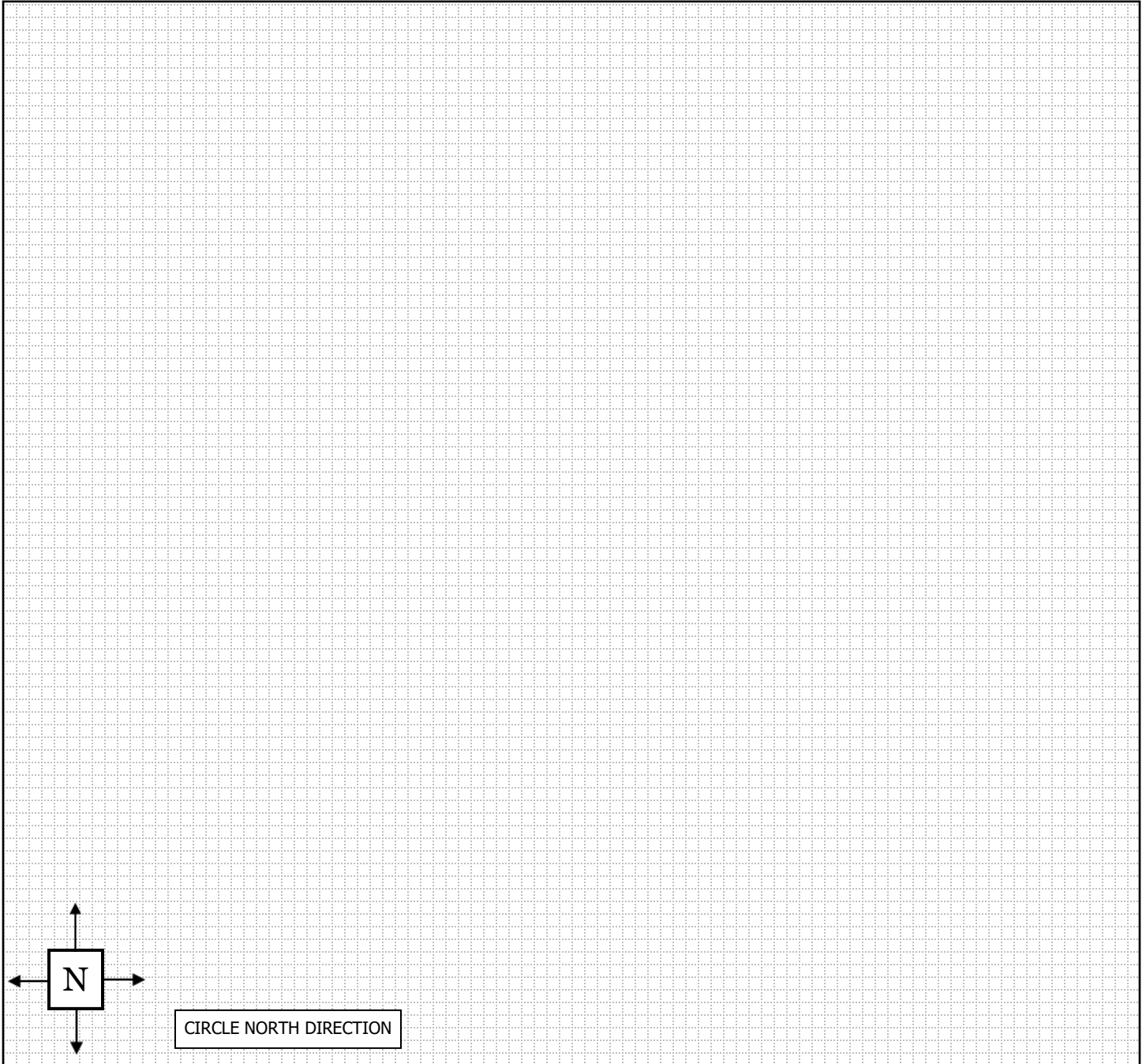
PERMIT NUMBER: _____ PERMIT EXPIRATION: _____

Site Plan Form

Urban Chicken Permit for City of Waverly

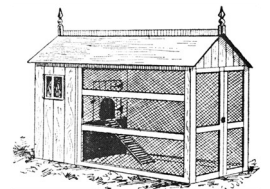
Property Address: _____ Property Owner: _____

Email: _____ Owner Phone #: _____



Note: All of these items must be shown on above site plan:

1. Draw all property lines with lot measurements
2. Include a sketch of the existing house with dimensions
3. Show dimensioned structure(s) including proposed coop, fowl house, mobile coop, or fenced pen.



Process for Urban Chickens:

If you're interested in obtaining a permit for urban chickens in Waverly, follow the checklist below:

- ⇒ Read through the urban chicken code chapter 72.
- ⇒ Learn about how to raise urban chickens in the city.
- ⇒ Create a site plan.
- ⇒ Apply for permit and pay \$30.00 application fee.
- ⇒ Construct a coop that meets minimum qualifications.
- ⇒ Wait for approval in the mail.
- ⇒ Place chickens on the property.



Zoning Office

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Urban Chicken Ordinance in Waverly, Iowa

The City of Waverly allows residents to keep chickens in residentially (R) zoned districts following issuance of a permit from the zoning office.

Permits will cost \$30.00 and be valid for (3) three calendar years from the date of issuance (ex: if permit is issued 07/01/2014, permit will be valid until 12/31/2016). Fees will not be refunded if chickens are removed from the premises prior to reaching December 31 of year three.

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Raising Backyard Chickens

City of Waverly, Iowa

Guidelines





FYI:

Chickens must be kept within the coop**, the fowl house, or the fenced pen area at all times unless removed for a temporary time for the safety of the chickens.

No slaughtering of chickens.

No selling eggs.

All chicken feed needs to be stored in rodent –proof containers.

Permittee is responsible for sufficiently confining chickens to the permitted property and preventing chickens from entering upon any adjacent property.

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**Coop shall mean a cage, enclosure or building used for housing and protecting chickens from weather and predators.

Additional Resources

Waverly City Code Section 72 Urban Chicken in Health and Sanitation:

<http://www.waverlyia.com/city-information/city-administration/city-code/default.aspx>

Waverly City Urban Chicken Permits:

<http://www.waverlyia.com/community-development/permit-fees/urban-chickens.aspx>

Urban Chicken Workshops/Courses:

<https://indiancreeknaturecenter.org/urban-chickens/>

<https://store.extension.iastate.edu/product/Getting-Started-with-Backyard-Chickens-eCourse>

CDC Backyard Poultry Info:

<https://www.cdc.gov/healthypets/pets/farm-animals/backyard-poultry.html>

Additional Resource Links That May Be Helpful:

<https://homegardenandhomestead.com/beginners-guide-to-raising-urban-chickens/>

https://www.aphis.usda.gov/publications/animal_health/bro-protect-poultry-from-ai.pdf

<https://www.chickenrunrescue.org/Chicken-Health-Resources>

<https://www.backyardchickens.com/>

COOP AND RUN REQUIREMENTS:

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- Chicken enclosure or fenced area must be a minimum size of 4 square feet but no larger than 12 square feet **per chicken** housed
- Any coop, fowl house, or fenced pen area shall be well vented for the chickens and kept in a clean, drained and sanitary condition at all times.
- It is the responsibility of the owner to rid of all droppings and body excretions in a timely fashion if not used as a fertilizer
- Coop or fowl house must be used for only

