

OAK PARK

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Chicken Coop and Domestic Chickens Zoning Permit

Permit Fee - \$60

Location: _____ Date: _____

Applicant: _____
Address: _____
City/state/zip: _____
Phone# _____

<input type="radio"/> New
<input type="radio"/> Renewal (If renewal skip to section 2)

Required Information:

- Two copies of plot plan showing proposed structure and distance of structure from lot lines and other buildings – blank form provided on page two
- Two copies of construction plans (specification sheet, if constructed from a kit) showing material to be used
- Size of proposed structure _____ Must be 200 square feet or less
- Foundation / rat wall: _____ Yes _____ No

General Information:

- Total lot coverage (includes all buildings) shall not exceed 35 percent of square footage of the lot.
- Structures shall not exceed 13 feet in height at the point half-way between the peak and the eaves of the roof
- Structure shall be no closer to a side lot line than 2 feet. Rear lot easements (typically 6 feet from rear-lot line) must be maintained unless written permission from the utility company allowing encroachments are submitted. On corner lots, a setback of 15 feet must be maintained from the corner.
- You have 30 days from time of permit issuance to call for initial chicken coop inspection.
- After initial inspection, a 90-day follow-up will be performed for code compliance.
- All Chicken Permits will expire Dec. 31 of the current year and a renewal permit will be required.
- Only THREE egg laying hens are allowed at any one time. **(No roosters)**

I hereby certify that the proposed work is authorized by the owner of record and that I have been authorized by the owner to make this application as the authorized agent and we agree to conform to all applicable laws of this jurisdiction.

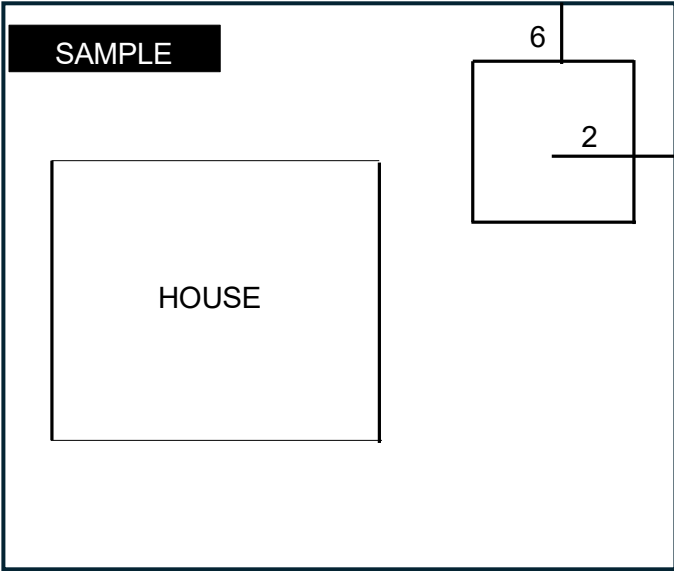
Applicant signature _____ Date _____

INSTRUCTIONS:

Corner lot

Interior lot

PLOT PLAN



Please sketch your own drawing below

SECTION 2

Property owner's signature as well as all adjacent property owners' signatures are required. Property Owner's Signature: _____

Adjacent Property Owner's Signature #1: _____ Address: _____

Adjacent Property Owner's Signature #2: _____ Address: _____

Adjacent Property Owner's Signature #3: _____ Address: _____

Adjacent Property Owner's Signature #4: _____ Address: _____

If this is a renewal application, answer the following question:

Has the location of your chicken coop moved? Y / N

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Approved Denied

Inspector: _____ Date: _____

Additional notes: _____

**A person who keeps chickens shall comply
with the following requirements:**

- (1) No more than three hen chickens can be kept at any time.
- (2) Roosters or male chickens or any other type or classes of fowl or poultry are prohibited.
- (3) Slaughtering of any chickens at the property is prohibited.
- (4) Chickens shall be maintained in a fully enclosed structure or a fenced enclosure at all times. Fully enclosed and fenced enclosures are subject to all fence provisions and restrictions contained in Section 1703, Appendix A-Zoning, in the Oak Park Code of Ordinances. Enclosed structures shall be constructed of permanent materials and shall be properly maintained in accordance with the International Property Maintenance Code most recently adopted by the City of Oak Park. Fenced enclosures may be wire mesh with openings no larger than ¼ inch.
- (5) No enclosed structure or fenced enclosure shall be located within any front yard or side yard, and must comply with Sec. 1600.- Height, bulk, density, area, setback and lot coverage by district and Sec. 1703.- Accessory buildings and structures. An enclosed structure or fenced enclosure shall not be located closer than 30 feet to any residential structure on adjacent properties.
- (6) All structures and enclosures for the keeping of chickens shall be constructed and maintained to prevent rats, mice, or other rodents or vermin from being harbored underneath or within the walls of the structure or enclosure. A zoning or building permit will be required.
- (7) All feed and other items associated with the keeping of chickens likely to attract rats, mice, or other rodents or vermin shall be secured and protected in sealed containers.
- (8) Chickens shall be kept in compliance with the Michigan Department of Agriculture generally accepted agricultural and management practices for the care of farm animals, as it relates to egg-laying chickens, as amended, except as otherwise provided in this section.

Any violation of any of these provisions may be prosecuted as provided in Section 14-55 of the Oak Park Code of Ordinances.

For additional information about chicken breeds and chicken coop structures please go to our website at http://www.oakparkmi.gov/departments/technical_and_planning/index.php

Further information is available at:

www.backyardchickens.com

www.tractorsupply.com

www.michigan.gov/dnr

www.canr.msu.edu/resources/tips_for_new_hen_owner