

Chapter 18

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10-18-010: PURPOSE

The purpose of this chapter is to authorize the keeping of hens, chickens, and fowls within residential zones subject to certain requirements intended to avoid problems that may otherwise be associated with the keeping of hens, chickens, and fowls in populated areas.

10-18-020: HENS, CHICKENS, AND FOWLS ON RESIDENTIAL LOTS

- A. As provided in this chapter, and notwithstanding any contrary provision in this title, hens, chickens, and fowls will be allowed in R-1, R-2, R-4, R-8 zones, so long as they are compliant with the following:
- B. Requirement of one (1) chicken per 1500 square foot per lot space. Any decimal point can be rounded up.
- C. All structures used for hens, chickens, and fowls are to be at least 15 feet behind the main building, at least one (1) foot from all property lines, and fifteen (15) feet from dwellings on adjacent lots.
- D. A chicken coop and run combined, must provide at least six (6) square feet of space for each chicken kept therein. The coop, pen or cage shall be restricted to the rear or backyard of a dwelling. No coop, pen or cage shall exceed eight (8) feet in height, nor larger than 120 square feet.
- E. All animals must be kept in an area enclosed by a fence sufficient to prohibit escape.
- F. It is unlawful for the owner of property on which hens, chickens, and fowls are kept, or for any person in charge of hens, chickens, and fowls, to permit such animals to trespass upon the premises of another property owner.
- G. All coops, pens, and cages shall be kept clean and free from objectionable odor and waste. Waste and debris must be kept from becoming offensive or a health hazard. All droppings under roosts or hutches shall be cleaned out at least once every three (3) weeks
- H. The City reserves the right to, and may impose additional restrictions and/or conditions regarding containment, or removal of habitual nuisance animals.

10-18-030 NUMBER AND TYPES OF HENS, CHICKENS, AND FOWLS

- A. No Roosters will be allowed.
- B. One (1) Chicken or Fowl per 1,500 Square feet of lot space.
- C. Juvenile Chickens are not counted towards the total of animals until four (4) months of age, and then they must comply with the square foot requirements set forth previously.

10-18-040 PERMITTED USE

For the purpose of this code and notwithstanding any contrary provision in this title, the keeping of hens, chickens, and fowls will be considered a permitted use R-1, R-2, R-4, R-8 zones

10-18-050: VIOLATIONS

A violation of this chapter may be remedied as provided in Title 7: Health and Safety, Chapter 11: Nuisance Enforcement. When a violation of this chapter is committed, and provided it is not charged in conjunction with another criminal offense and does not constitute a habitual notice of violation within a twenty four (24) month period, an authorized agent of the City shall issue a civil notice of nuisance. A penalty of up to \$500.00 dollars may be assessed for any such violation in addition to any other penalties that may be applicable under the Coalville City Code and/or Coalville City Ordinances.