

CHAPTER 22

CHICKENS IN SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL ZONES

14-22-101 OWNERSHIP AND MAINTENANCE

- A. The keeping and maintenance of residential chickens is allowed within the City only as provided in this Title.
- B. Any chicken kept as provided by this Title shall not be deemed a household pet.
- C. A City license is required for the keeping of chickens allowed by this Title.
 - 1. A license shall be a one-time application and shall be signed by the property owner.
 - 2. A license does not run with the land.
 - 3. There shall be a one-time license fee of five dollars (\$5.00).
 - 4. Application for, and acceptance of a license is prima facie evidence that a person agrees to abide by all the conditions and regulations of this Title.
 - 5. A license may be revoked for any violation of this Title.
- D. It shall be unlawful for any person to keep any chicken in a manner contrary to the provisions of this Title. Any such violation shall be a class B misdemeanor.
- E. A chicken shall be kept strictly for familial gain from the production and consumption of eggs, and there shall be no sale or income resulting from the keeping of a chicken.
- F. Up to eight (8) hens may be kept on a residential lot in accordance with the following:
 - 1. A chicken shall only be kept on a property containing a single-family detached dwelling unit.
 - 2. A chicken shall be kept in a coop or enclosed area at all times.
 - 3. No chicken shall be permitted to roam outside a coop or enclosed area.
 - 4. A coop shall be covered, ventilated, and rodent- and predator-resistant.
 - 5. A coop shall not be constructed of scrap or dilapidated materials.
 - 6. The exterior of any coop shall be painted or treated with a similar product.
 - 7. It is unlawful to keep a rooster or crowing hen.
 - 8. Any coop or enclosure shall be located in the rear yard of the main dwelling.

9. Any coop or enclosure shall be located at least twenty (20) feet from any primary residential dwelling on an adjoining property, and at least five (5) feet from any property line.
 10. Any time a heating device is employed in a pen or coop, such pen or coop must be separated at least ten (10) feet from any dwelling structure.
 11. Any coop and any roaming area shall be maintained in a neat and sanitary condition and shall be cleaned as necessary to prevent a detectable odor at the property line.
 12. Chicken feed shall be stored and dispensed in a rodent-proof and predator-proof container.
 13. No growth or vegetation other than sod grass is permitted within five (5) feet of any coop.
 14. The area within five (5) feet of the perimeter of any coop shall be unobstructed, except that the rear of a coop may be attached to another structure.
 15. A chicken may not be kept, and a coop may not be constructed, on any property that is in violation of a City Code or where the owner or resident is being prosecuted for a violation.
- G. Any chicken that is outside of an approved coop or enclosed area may be confiscated by any agent of the City.

14-22-102 BEES

The keeping and maintenance of bees is allowed within the City only as provided in Section 8-4-104 of the Bountiful City Code.