

## ANIMALS IN RESIDENTIAL ZONE DISTRICTS

(TCLUR Chapter 2, Section 2.3)

Unless otherwise regulated under a Special Review Use Permit for Kennel (*Section 8.3.S Kennel*), the following applies:

- A. **Animals Excluded from the Intent of These Restrictions.** Pet animals, as may be limited in number, including dogs, cats, birds, rabbits, guinea pigs, hamsters, mice, snakes, iguanas, turtles, or any other species of animal customarily sold for the purpose of being kept as a household pet.
- B. **Animals in the R-2 Zone District.** Only pet animals as described above are allowed.
- C. **Domestic Hoofed Livestock**
1. **Definition.** The term “domestic hoofed livestock” includes horses, cattle, mules, sheep, goats, llamas, and swine kept for non-commercial purposes.
  2. **Standards**
    - a. **Minimum Lot Size in the R-1 and R-1M Zone Districts.** Domestic hoofed livestock are **prohibited** on residential properties of less than one acre.
    - b. **Maximum Density in the RR, R-1 and R-1M Zone Districts.** The maximum allowable density on lots one acre or greater is one animal per one-half acre. Animals under six months of age may be kept until weaned without counting toward the allowable limit.
    - c. **Shelter.** When there are two or more animals on a parcel of land, a barn or shelter for their use is required to be constructed.
    - d. **Containment Area in the RR, R-1 and R-1M Zone Districts.** Although the entire lot may be fenced, a containment area (corral) must be provided where the animals will normally be penned and supplementarily fed. All corrals, stalls, and barns shall be at least 50 feet from any property line.
      - (1) **Containment area size in RR Zone District.** The containment area (corral) shall be adequate in size for the number of animals but in no event exceed 10% of the gross lot acreage or one-half (1/2) acre whichever is least.
    - e. **Animal Waste in RR, R-1 and R-1M Zone Districts.** Regular removal or spreading of manure is required so that it does not become unsightly or emit odor beyond the property boundary, or become a public nuisance. The possession of animals will not be allowed to create health hazards to the surrounding properties.
    - f. **Drainage in RR, R-1 and R-1M Zone Districts.** Adequate drainage facilities or improvements shall be provided by the property owner and constructed so as to protect any adjoining and adjacent properties from runoff containing contaminants, including sediment or organic wastes.
- D. **Domestic Small Livestock, Poultry, and Fowl**
1. **Definition.** The term “domestic small livestock, poultry, and fowl” includes rabbits, chinchillas or similar animals; chickens, turkeys, pigeons, and small birds and ducks kept for non-commercial purposes. The following fowl are not allowed in the RR, R-1, and R-1M zone districts: roosters,

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peafowl and any other fowl whose calls are audible over similar distances.

2. **Standards**

- a. **Number allowed in RR Zone District.** None are allowed if the lot size is smaller than two acres.

On lots from two to 5.99 acres in size, a total of no more than 15 poultry, and/or fowl, and/or domestic small livestock are permitted.

On lots that are greater than 5.99 acres in size, there is no limit on the number of non-commercial poultry, and/or fowl, and/or domestic small livestock allowed.

- b. **Number allowed in R-1 and R-1M Zone Districts.** On lots less than one acre in size, a total of no more than four poultry, and/or fowl, and/or domestic small livestock are permitted.

On lots from 1.1 to two acres in size, a total of no more than 10 poultry, and/or fowl, and/or domestic small livestock are permitted.

On lots from 2.01 to 5.99 acres in size, a total of no more than 15 poultry, and/or fowl, and/or domestic small livestock are permitted.

On lots that are greater than 5.99 acres in size, there is no limit on the number of non-commercial poultry, and/or fowl, and/or domestic small livestock allowed.

- c. **Containment area in R-1 and R-1M Zone Districts.** A containment area for the poultry, fowl and domestic small livestock, is required. The containment area for poultry and fowl shall be not closer than 50 feet to any property line. Domestic small livestock must be properly housed (by way of example only: rabbits in rabbit hutches) and shall not be located closer to any property line than the zone district setback allows.

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The information above is a **summary only**. The Land Use Regulations may require more or less than is stated in this brochure.



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