



# CITY OF SHERIDAN

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## Chicken Permit Application

As Per Ordinance 2022-01

Applicant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

The applicant will serve as the responsible person and be known as the Chicken Caretaker. The Chicken Caretaker must be located on the same address as the chickens.

Applicant's Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Date Filed for Application: \_\_\_\_\_

Address where chickens will be located: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Own Property                      \_\_\_\_\_ Do you Rent (Landowner's signature is required)

### QUESTIONS:

What is the chicken coop made of? \_\_\_\_\_

What type of fencing will be used? \_\_\_\_\_

### STANDARDS:

- Read Ordinance 2022-01.
- Coops must be in the backyard.
- The enclosure cannot be within 10 ft. of a property line.
- Coops cannot be larger than 150 sq. ft.

**SITE MAP:** May be hand drawn. Must be included with the completed application.

- Draw your property.
- Print the name(s) of street(s).
- Draw your house. Label it.
- Draw any accessory structures, like garage, shop, or shed. Label it.
- Draw the chicken coop and enclosure. Label the coop and the enclosure.
  - On the map, write the measurements from the property lines to the edge of the enclosure and to the edge of the coop. Also, write them in the blanks below.
  - Label the Rear property line
    - Measurement of rear property line to the enclosure \_\_\_\_\_
    - Measurement of rear property line to the coop \_\_\_\_\_

- Pick one side of the property and label it Side 1:
  - Measurement of Side 1 property line to the enclosure \_\_\_\_\_
  - Measurement of Side 1 property line to the coop \_\_\_\_\_
- Pick the other side of the property and label it Side 2:
  - Measurement of Side 2 property line to the enclosure \_\_\_\_\_
  - Measurement of Side 2 property line to the coop \_\_\_\_\_
- Include the measurements of the coop and enclosure.
  - What are the dimensions of the coop?
    - What is the width \_\_\_\_\_
    - What is the length \_\_\_\_\_
    - What is the height \_\_\_\_\_ (cannot be taller than 8 ft.)
  - Draw the enclosure around the coop.
    - What is the width \_\_\_\_\_
    - What is the length \_\_\_\_\_
    - What is the height \_\_\_\_\_

I have read and acknowledge the rules laid out in Ordinance 2022-01 and understand the City’s Nuisance Abatement Municipal Code Section 8.12, which can be found on the City’s website, or a copy will be provided upon request. Furthermore, I understand that it is my responsibility to follow the rules and regulations of Ordinance 2022-01. If I do not comply, then I am subject to the penalties as discussed in Ordinance 2022-01 including the City’s Nuisance Abatement procedures. After staff inspection and approval, a Chicken Permit Card will be issued, and it must remain on display in the front window of the house.

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Applicant/Chicken Caretaker Signature

Date

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Property Owner Signature

Date

City Hall Staff to complete this section:	
Date Application Submitted:	Inspector Assigned:
Date Called for Inspection:	Date and Time of Inspection:
Notes:	

## **Ordinance 2022-01:**

### **“6.04.030 - Chickens.**

No person shall own, possess, or have control of chickens within the City except in accordance with the following provisions of this SMC Sub-Section 6.04.030:

- (1) A person, property owner, and/or renter, or household may keep a flock of not more than five female chicken poultry of any kind. A flock shall consist of no less than 2 and no more than five chickens.
- (2) Peacocks, peahens, roosters, capons, geese, ducks, turkeys, quail, and any male poultry, chickens, fowl, or game birds are prohibited.
- (3) Fencing shall be used to create a chicken enclosure for the purpose of containing the flock and shall not be located within ten feet from any property boundary line and shall comply with the Development Code.
- (4) The slaughtering of animals is not permitted in residential zones.
- (5) The keeping of chickens shall be prohibited on any parcel having more than one single family residence.
- (6) A flock shall be kept for personal use only. Commercial raising of chickens or eggs shall be prohibited.
- (7) Any dead animals, or parts thereof, shall be promptly and properly disposed of in a lawful fashion that does not create odors or spread to other properties via wind or storm-water runoff.
- (8) The flock shall be confined to the parcel at all times.
- (9) During nighttime hours, the flock shall be confined to a structurally stable chicken coop not exceeding 150 square feet in floor area. The coop shall be placed in accordance with the applicable building setbacks and no part of the coop shall exceed a height of eight feet.
- (10) Stored feed shall be secured to prevent access by vermin.
- (11) Sanitary conditions shall be maintained at all times within the chicken enclosure and chicken coop.
- (12) The flight feathers on at least one wing of each chicken must be clipped regularly to prevent flight.
- (13) A permit for placement of the chicken enclosure and coop must be obtained from the City Manager. If issued to a tenant, the permit application must contain the written consent of the property owner. The Chicken Permit shall include a license for entry onto the parcel for periodic inspection of the chicken enclosure and coop by the City Manager or the City Manager’s designee to determine compliance with the provisions of this Sub-Section 6.04.030. The permit may be revoked by the City Manager in the event of non-compliance with the provisions of this SMC Sub-Section 6.04.030. Upon revocation of a Chicken Permit by the City Manager the chickens shall be promptly removed from the parcel.

Unauthorized presence of the chickens shall constitute a public nuisance pursuant to SMC 8.12.110 and violations may be cited into Municipal Court or abated by the City in compliance with the Municipal Code. The permit shall be personal to the owner or occupant of the parcel and shall not be transferrable upon the sale or transfer of the parcel.

(14) The Council may, by resolution approved in accordance with the City Charter, adopt and implement a suitable fee for the issuance of the Chicken Permit, to cover the cost of staff time incurred in connection with the issuance of the permit and the inspection of the chicken enclosure and coop.

**SECTION 2.** Title 8, Section 8.12.110 A. of the Sheridan Municipal Code is hereby amended to read as follows:

**“8.12.110 - Livestock and poultry.**

A. Except as may be permitted by a Chicken Permit issued by the City Manager pursuant to SMC Subsection 6.04.03 of the Municipal Code, no person shall maintain a pigsty, slaughterhouse or tannery, or permit livestock or poultry owned by him or her to run at large within the city. The provisions of this section shall not apply to persons keeping cats, dogs, or other household pets.”