

Village of North Freedom

Application for Chicken Permit & Chicken Permit

Applicant's Name: _____ Date: _____

Property Owner's Name – Please Note: No chickens are allowed on rental properties:

Applicant's Address & Address for Proposed Chicken Coop:

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Have you ever been convicted of a crime involving animal cruelty charges? _____

If yes, please provide the Court System that you were tried in: _____

On the back of this page, or on a second page, please provide a sketch of the proposed Chicken Coop, including its location on the parcel (lot lines must be included in drawing), and the width and length of coop/run/fenced in area.

Specify Manure Control Procedures to be Utilized: _____

Specify Proposed Chicken Coop Construction Material: _____

The following specifications shall apply to all Chicken Coops and Keeping of Chickens per the Village of North Freedom Ordinances, Chapter 9 titled "Orderly Conduct", section 9.10 titled "Keeping of Livestock and Poultry":

9.10 KEEPING OF LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY. (a) REGULATED. No person shall keep or maintain any poultry or fowl, or any livestock such as horses, cattle, sheep or goats in any areas in the Village limits. (b) EXCEPTION. Agricultural zoned areas in the Village limits and the keeping of chickens, following all conditions of 9.10(c), are exempt from this ruling. (c) KEEPING OF CHICKENS. (1) ALLOWED. Residents of the Village may own, keep or harbor up to five (5) chickens on property they own subject to the conditions of sub secs. (2), (3) and (4). (2) USE CONDITIONS. (a) Roosters are not permitted. (b) The slaughtering of chickens is prohibited. (c) Provision must be made for the storage and removal of chicken manure. All stored manure must be covered by a fully enclosed structure with a lid. All other manure not used for composting or fertilizing shall be removed from the premises. The coop and surrounding area must be kept free of accumulated droppings, and uneaten feed shall be removed as soon as possible. (d) The property owner shall take all necessary action to reduce the potential of infectious diseases and infestations of insects and parasites. (3) CONSTRUCTION AND LOCATION CONDITIONS. (a) The lot upon which the chickens are raised shall have a minimum width of fifty feet and contain only a single-family dwelling. (Residential Zoned Property Only). (b) Chickens may not be raised on a rented property. (c) No chickens may be allowed inside the residence. (d) Chickens shall be

sheltered in a covered coop with not less than two nor more than four square feet per chicken. (e) The coop shall be constructed of sturdy, predator proof material and provide adequate shelter for the chickens. The coop area shall include a run, fence enclosure of predator-proof material (no electric or barbed wire) and adequate shade from the sun and warmth from the cold weather. Feed and clean water shall be provided at all times but unavailable to predators or rodents. (f) The floor of the coop shall be covered with wood or cedar chips and be regularly cleaned and maintained. (g) The coop may be constructed as part of a yard shed or garage but may not be placed on top of a structure. (h) Chicken coops shall not be located closer than twenty (20) feet to any lot line and may not be located any closer to a neighboring residence than to the residence located upon the coop's parcel. (4) NUISANCE. The keeping of chickens on a property shall not cause or create a public nuisance, including without limitation, unreasonable noise or noxious odors. (5) PERMIT. (a) No person shall keep chickens without a permit issued by the Village Clerk upon Village Board approval. The permit must be renewed annually. The permit will be valid from January 1st to December 31st of the current year. The clerk will collect a \$25.00 permit fee, as determined by the Village Board. (b) The Village of North Freedom Board may revoke the Chicken Permit at any time without any prior notification or approval. Upon notification of revocation of Chicken Permit, the resident must remove all said chickens within seven (7) days.

The maintenance and care of the chicken(s) and the chicken coop shall be the responsibility of the property owner. By signing below, the applicant/permittee is hereby agreeing to allow the Village of North Freedom Board to schedule random inspections to inspect the upholding of this Village Ordinance.

Signature of the applicant: _____

When complete, this application should be submitted with the Village Clerk, who will forward it to the Village Board of Trustees. The Board will meet at the Regular Board Meeting of the month (2nd Monday of every month at 7:00 P.M. at the North Freedom Community Center), consider the application, discuss the specifications with the applicant/property owner, and either approve or deny this application at said meeting.

To be completed by the Village Clerk:

The above chicken coop plan has been (approved, denied) by the appropriate jurisdiction on the ____ day of _____, _____.

The above chicken coop proposal has been inspected by the Village of North Freedom and determined to meet the minimum standards and the applicant/property owner is hereby authorized to commence construction and keep chickens on this property.

On this _____ day of _____, _____.

Village of North Freedom Clerk Signature