



City of Otsego  
County of Wright  
Ordinance No. 2005-27  
Section 11-26-4.G (Prior Code § 20-26-4) (Farm Animals)

Application allowing for the keeping of chickens, pheasants, doves, pigeons and similar small fowl in residential districts, subject to compliance with the following standards.

The number of fowl allowed per property is 10 per acre **prohibiting roosters, male peacocks and water fowl**. The fowl must be housed within an enclosed accessory building and fenced outdoor rear yard. This accessory building shall be subject to the required setbacks for principal buildings within the respective zoning district with the additional stipulation that the side yard setbacks must be double those required for principal buildings.

The keeping and care of such fowl is provided as regulated by City Code. The owner/keeper shall control the animal manure and dispose of it properly.

If eggs are harvested, they shall not be offered for sale from the premises.

The fowl keeping license is nontransferable. Therefore, the license shall apply to the named applicant only and will terminate upon the vacation of the property by the applicant.

The fee for the license shall be set forth by Section 3-1-2 (Prior Code § 20-26-4) of the City Code.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Acres: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Fowl: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant's signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Fee of \$\_\_\_\_\_ received this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_

## CHAPTER 26

### FOWL LICENSE

Section 11-26-4.G Farm Animals: The keeping and maintaining of chickens, pheasants, doves, pigeons and similar small fowl shall be allowed in all residential districts by issuance of a fowl keeping license, subject to compliance with the following standards:

1. The number of fowl allowed per property shall be 10 per acre.
2. ***The keeping of roosters, male peacocks and water fowl shall be prohibited.***
3. The fowl must be housed within an enclosed accessory building and fenced outdoor yard that conforms to the accessory building provisions applicable to the district in which they are kept. **The total of all accessory buildings (sheds you might already have) AND the coop must not exceed a total of 1,080 SF.**
4. The accessory building containing the fowl must be within a rear yard and shall be subject to the required setbacks for principal buildings within the respective zoning district with the additional stipulation that the side yard setbacks must be double those required for principal buildings.
5. The keeping and care of such fowl is provided as regulated by the City Code.
6. The owner/keeper of the fowl shall control the animal manure and dispose of it properly.
7. If eggs are harvested, they shall not be offered for sale from the premises.
8. The fowl keeping license shall apply only to the named applicant, shall not run with the land, and may not be transferred. It shall automatically terminate upon the vacation of the property by the applicant.
9. The fee for the fowl keeping license shall be as set forth by Section 3-1-2 of this Code. (Prior Code § 20-26-4)