



Chicken License Application

This license allows you to keep hens (no roosters) in compliance with the Village of Ridgeway Municipal Code (Section 10.11.1)

Please complete this application in its entirety and submit it, along with the proper fee, in person, by mail or by e-mail (include a copy of your driver's license) to:

Village Clerk
Village of Ridgeway
113 Dougherty Ct.
Ridgeway, WI 53582

Applicant Name _____

Applicant Address _____

Applicant Phone Number _____

Property Owner's Name _____

Property Owner's Address _____

Property Owner's Phone Number _____

_____ New _____ Renewal

Number of hens _____ (Maximum allowed-5)

Size of coop _____ length _____ width _____ height

The license fee is \$10. The license commences on January 1 and ends on December 31.

The undersigned has received and reviewed a copy of the requirements and standards for the keeping of hens in the Village.

Applicant Signature

Date

Clerk Use Only

Issue Date _____

Expiration Date _____

Fee \$10 Paid On _____

Signature of Village Clerk _____



LICENSING AND KEEPING OF CHICKENS ORDINANCE REQUIREMENTS AND STANDARDS

Hen chickens for egg production for personal use only may be kept in accord with the following requirements and standards:

- Prior to establishing the use, a license shall be obtained from the Village Clerk for the keeping of hens and construction of the coop and related fencing.
- The application for the license shall include a location sketch of the coop and fencing showing property lines and nearby structures.
- A fee shall be paid with submittal of the application in accord with the Village's fee schedule.
- A maximum of 5 hens may be kept (no roosters)
- Hens shall be kept in a coop and shall have an adjacent fence enclosed area.
- The coop and fence area shall be located in the rear yard only.
- The coop shall not exceed 50 square feet in area or 10 feet in height.
- The coop and fence in area shall not be closer than 10 feet to any lot line.
- The coop and fenced area shall not conflict with any public or private utilities, drainage facilities or any easement related thereto.
- The keeping of hens shall not cause a public nuisance due to noise, odors, unsanitary conditions or any operation features. The Village may take enforcement action as necessary to abate any public nuisance in accord with Village ordinances.
- It shall be the property owner's responsibility to verify that the keeping of hens and construction of a coop is permitted uses in any deed restrictions or covenants applicable to the property.

NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNERS REGARDING THE KEEPING OF CHICKENS

Registration with the State of Wisconsin - Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection is mandatory for premises where poultry (chickens/hens) are kept.

Registration with the State should be done as soon as animals are added to a premise and must be renewed every three (3) years. It is important to keep the information accurate to ensure animal health officials have the most up to date information in the event of an animal disease outbreak.

There is no charge to register the premises.

Registrants receive a unique premises registration number printed on a convenience plastic card, which can be carried in a wallet or placed on file.

For more information go to:

- Register App - https://datcp.wi.gov/Pages/Programs_Services/PremisesRegistration.aspx
- Instructions – <https://datcp.wi.gov/Documents/PremRegApplicationInstructions.pdf>