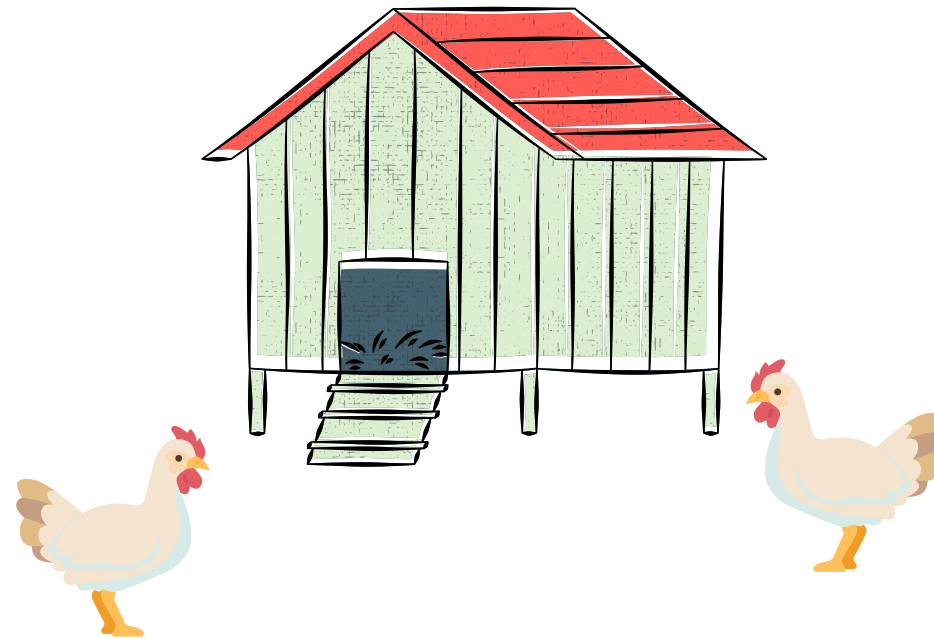


Chicken-keeping Basics in the City of Ripon

Apply now to be able
to keep chickens in
the City of Ripon



Visit www.cityofripon.com or
call (920)748-4916
for more information.

Annual permits valid: April 1st - March 31st
Permit Fee: \$25 new / \$15 renewal

How Many?

No more than six (6) hens shall be allowed for each dwelling unit. It is unlawful for any person to keep roosters. There shall be no breeding or hatching of chickens.

Coop Requirements

- Hens shall be provided with a covered, predator-proof coop or cage that is well-ventilated and designed to be easily accessed for cleaning.
- The coop shall allow at least two (2) square feet per hen.
- Hens shall have access to an outdoor enclosure that is adequately fenced to contain the birds on the property and to prevent predators from access to the birds.
- Hens shall not be allowed out of these enclosures unless a responsible individual, over 18 years of age, is directly monitoring the hens and able to immediately the coop.

The City may refuse to renew or may revoke the permit at any time after giving the permittee a 30 day notice.

Location on Property

- Coops or cages housing chickens shall be kept at least twenty-five (25) feet from the door or window of any dwelling or occupied structure other than the owner's dwelling.
- Coops and cages shall not be located within six (6) feet of a side-yard or rear-yard lot line.
- Coops and cages shall not be located in the front yard.
- Chickens may only be kept on single-family unit lots. Chickens may not be kept on two-family or multiple-family lots.

Operating a Coop

- There shall be no slaughtering of chickens.
- The coop and outdoor enclosure must be kept in a sanitary condition and free from offensive odors.
- The coop and outdoor enclosure must be cleaned on a regular basis to prevent the accumulation of waste.
- Any poultry feed shall be stored so as to keep out rodents.
- The main food source for the chickens should be provided in dedicated feeding containers and scatter feeding as the primary food source is prohibited