

# TOWN OF AULT

## CHICKEN HEN PERMIT APPLICATION

### CHICKEN COOP REGULATIONS:

1. **All chicken owners must have their coop and run inspected prior to use and obtain a permit. Permits must be renewed annually.**
2. No roosters, only chicken hens may be kept within Town limits. Keeping of up to six (6) chicken hens is permitted.
3. Chicken houses and yards must be designed to be easily accessed, cleaned and regularly maintained in a manner to control dust, odor and waste and to prevent such areas from constituting a public nuisance or health hazard.
4. The coop must be designed to be predator and pest resistant, properly ventilated and provide proper protection for seasonal climatic conditions.
5. Chicken coops shall provide a minimum of two (2) square feet of space per chicken.
6. Chicken coops must have an attached outdoor enclosure area (chicken run) which provides a minimum of five (5) square feet per chicken. It must be enclosed on all four sides and the top with fencing adequate to prevent the chickens from escaping and to protect them from predators.
7. Neither a chicken coop nor a chicken run may be located less than thirty (30) feet from any dwelling or place of business other than the one owned or rented by the owner of the chickens nor less than ten (10) feet from any abutting property line, unless a variance has been granted. Variances require a consent letter from the affected neighbors.
8. The breeding, selling and trading of chicken hens and their offspring as a commercial enterprise is prohibited. The keeping of chicken hens permitted under the Ault Municipal Code is as an accessory use to a principal residential use, not as a home occupation or other commercial purpose.
9. Chickens must be confined at all times, however, they may be permitted to roam outside the coop and run provided that the owner has an enclosed yard immediately surrounding the coop and run and must keep the chickens from escape from the property.
10. Animal cruelty laws apply. No slaughtering of chickens in public view, and it must be done in a humane and sanitary manner. Any chicken remains must be disposed of by burial under at least two feet of ground, at a waste disposal facility or double wrapped in plastic and placed in an enclosed waste container.
11. Parcels with more than one dwelling unit must have written consent from all adult residents in the adjoining units.
12. The permittee waives all claims against the Town and other persons resulting from death or injury to any chicken that is not confined in accordance with these regulations.

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Date of Application: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

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

Phone(s): \_\_\_\_\_

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

**NEW APPLICATION**  **YOU MUST COMPLETE ENTIRE APPLICATION**

**RENEWAL**  **PLEASE FILL OUT ANY SECTION THAT HAS CHANGED FROM LAST YEAR.**

### **REQUIRED ATTACHMENTS:**

1. Written waste management plan for disposal of manure and other waste.
2. Any additional information that the applicant feels may support the request.
3. A **permit fee of \$10.00**, payable to the "Town of Ault" to cover processing and inspection costs.

### **REQUIRED CHICKEN COOP SPECIFICATIONS:**

Coop Material(s) (wood/metal/etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

Coop Square Footage: \_\_\_\_\_

Chicken Run Square Footage: \_\_\_\_\_

Coop and Run Distance from Nearest Structure: \_\_\_\_\_

Coop and Run Distance from Nearest Property Line: \_\_\_\_\_

Is coop heated?  Yes  No Source of heat: \_\_\_\_\_

Is coop properly ventilated?  Yes  No

Waste product disposal plan?  Yes  No

\_\_\_\_\_  
Applicant Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**FOR OFFICE USE ONLY**

Application  Approved or  Denied

Inspector's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Inspections)** Zoning:  Approved  Denied By: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Building:  Approved  Denied  N/A By: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Electrical:  Approved  Denied  N/A By: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of chicken (up to six (6) qualified for: \_\_\_\_\_

If Denied, please state reason:

Paid Amount: \_\_\_\_\_ Received By: \_\_\_\_\_ Permit# \_\_\_\_\_

Clerks Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_