

Original \_\_\_\_\_  
Renewal \_\_\_\_\_

## Annual License Application to Keep Chickens

A permit is required for the keeping of domesticated chickens prior to acquiring the chickens. A renewal permit is required by March 1<sup>st</sup> the following year or the permit will be considered revoked. You can obtain a permit at City Hall, 123 S. Second Street, Monday – Friday between the hours of 7:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. or by mail by completing and mailing the application form below. The license year is from January 1 to December 31.

**Application Fee** (nonrefundable): \$50 per household

**Renewal Fee:** \$10 per household

(100.44200)

### Permit Application

- Include self-addressed, stamped envelope with application and proof of registration with the Wisconsin Livestock Identification Consortium ([www.wiid.org](http://www.wiid.org))
- Make check payable to: City of Delavan

### Complete the Following:

Application Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Number of chickens to be kept \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant Name (please print): \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address where chickens will be housed: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (day time): \_\_\_\_\_

Attach a comprehensive site plan detailing property boundaries, location of existing structures and proposed location of chicken coop and pen area.

### Your signature acknowledges that you have read and accept the following standards for keeping chickens in the City of Delavan:

1. No more than four (4) female chickens (hens) shall be allowed.
2. Roosters are not allowed within the City limits of the City of Delavan.
3. No outside slaughtering of any chicken(s) shall be allowed.
4. A single-family detached dwelling is located on and the principal use of the property/lot where the chickens are kept is single-family residential. (No chickens shall be allowed in multi-family complexes including duplexes.)
5. The raising or keeping of hens for fighting and the fighting of hens and other fowl is not allowed within the City of Delavan pursuant to Wis. Stat. Sec. 951.08.
6. All chicken feed must be kept in airtight containers that are inaccessible and out of the reach of wild animals and shall be stored in a vermin-proof container.

7. Chickens and enclosures shall not create a private nuisance.
8. Chickens shall be kept at all times in a secured enclosure (coop and yard together) that meets the following design and location requirements:
  - i. The coop element of the enclosure shall be elevated at least two feet above the surface of the ground.
  - ii. Constructed enclosure shall be large enough to provide at least 16 square feet per chicken.
  - iii. All chicken coops and pen areas shall be kept in good repair, and shall be maintained in a clean, sanitary, humane condition, with proper ventilation, and free from objectionable odors at all times. Manure shall be removed and disposed of properly as needed to ensure a clean, sanitary and humane condition. Bedding within the chicken coop shall be kept dry at all times.
  - iv. No chicken coop or pen area shall be placed closer to the front lot line than the principal structure.
  - v. All chicken coops and pen areas shall be set back a minimum of 10 feet from the side and rear yard property lines and a minimum of 25 feet from any adjacent residences.
  - vi. During the winter months: all coops shall be kept in a safe and humane condition in order to ensure the health and well-being of the chickens.
9. Any and all penalties imposed shall be pursuant to the City of Delavan Code of Ordinances 1-1-7.

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

**(OFFICE USE ONLY)**

Property Owners Notification (75 feet of location):

Number mailed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Objections (within 15 days of notice sent):

Number received: \_\_\_\_\_ Meeting required: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Meeting (if required):

Held: \_\_\_\_\_ Satisfactory resolution reached: Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

**APPROVED Clerk's Office:** \_\_\_\_\_

**APPROVED Building Dept.:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date Permit Issued:** \_\_\_\_\_

**DENIED Clerk's Office:** \_\_\_\_\_