



Heritage Lake Association

Mackinaw, IL 61755

Backyard Chicken/Fowl Permit Application

Name

Address

Phone Number

Email Address

I, hereby certify that the above information is true and correct. I also affirm that I have been issued a Tazewell County Special Use Permit Backyard Chicken/Fowl Permit. I understand and agree to abide by the terms and conditions of this Backyard Chicken/Fowl Permit, Heritage Lake and Tazewell County Backyard Chicken/Fowl Ordinances. I understand that the application/permit fee is non-refundable. I understand that failure to comply with regulations may result in revocation of the permit and/or subject to criminal penalties prescribed by law. I have also read and initialed the terms of this application.

Signature of Applicant

Date

Please read the following requirements carefully and initial each to show you have read and understand the Backyard Chicken/Fowl Ordinance.

- ___ I have read the Heritage Lake and Tazewell County Ordinance for keeping backyard chicken/fowl.
- ___ I attest that I have been issued a Tazewell County Special Use Permit to keep backyard chicken/fowl.
- ___ I understand that if the chicken coop is over 25 sq. ft. I would need a Tazewell County Building Permit.
- ___ I am responsible for keeping chicken/fowl within the confines of my property at all times.
- ___ I am aware that a maximum of six (6) hens shall be allowed under permit and that no roosters are allowed under the permit.
- ___ I am aware that the permit is non-transferrable from one individual or location to another.
- ___ I understand that the keeping and handling of hens may cause health hazards and that adequate health precautions are the responsibility of the applicant.
- ___ I understand that I must keep all my HLA fees up to date or permit may be revoked.
- ___ I understand that I must pay the permit fee of \$25 to the Heritage Lake Treasurer.

Official Use Only – To Be Completed By Office Staff

- ___ HLA fees up to date
- ___ Backyard Chicken/Fowl Permit Paid
- ___ Proof of Tazewell County Special Use Permit for Backyard Chicken/Fowl submitted with permit

ECC Action ☐ Approval ☐ Disapproval

ECC Members' signatures (two required):

1. _____ Date: _____

2. _____ Date: _____

Comments _____

__/__/__ Date Permit Issued

__/__/__ Permit Expiration Date

**HERITAGE LAKE ASSOCIATION
BACKYARD CHICKEN/FOWL
ORDINANCE**

At this time Heritage Lake Association Backyard Chicken/Fowl Ordinance is the same as the Tazewell County Ordinance with an addition of a Heritage Lake Backyard

Chicken/Fowl permit of \$25. Heritage Lake Association reserves the right to make their ordinance more stringent.

**TAZEWELL COUNTY
ARTICLE 25
SPECIAL USES**

7 TCC 1-25 (f) Requirements For Particular Special Uses. In addition to the information required in 7 TCC 1-25 (c), the following contains information and requirements specific to each Special Use listed:

- (8) **CHICKENS/FOWL.** Specific requirements for chickens/fowl in the R-1 Low Density Residential District:
- i. Chickens/Fowl shall only be permitted on a lot with a single-family residence which shall be inhabited on a full-time basis. Chickens/fowl shall be prohibited at duplex and multifamily buildings.
 - ii. Roosters shall be prohibited.
 - iii. The slaughtering of chickens/fowl shall not be allowed on-site, except for humane reasons.
 - iv. Chickens/fowl shall be kept for personal use only and shall be contained within a coop or enclosure / run at all times; No eggs or chickens/fowl shall be offered for sale on the premises.
 - v. The structure (coop) housing the chickens/fowl shall be located behind the rear plane of the existing dwelling (not in the front or side yard) and shall be maintained in a clean and sanitary condition at all times. Said coop shall be covered and ventilated to protect chickens/fowl from inclement weather and predators and shall provide a minimum of 4 square feet per chicken to allow for free movement. Said coop shall be located 10' from the side and rear yard property lines and electric service to the coops shall not be provided by an extension cord.

- vi. Chickens/fowl shall have access to a fenced enclosure / run providing a minimum of 10 square feet per chicken to allow for outdoor time, said fenced enclosure or run shall be 10' from any side or rear yard property lines. Chickens/fowl shall not be allowed to run freely on a lot. A 50-foot minimum lateral distance from the fenced enclosure to any well, in clay or loam soils, shall be maintained. For other soils the Tazewell County Health Department may be called on for assistance in determining a proper distance.
- vii. Coops and fenced enclosures/runs shall be a minimum of 30' away from any existing structure on any adjoining parcel, such as dwellings, patios, porches, gazebos, decks, or swimming pools, but not including storage structures such as unattached garages or sheds.
- viii. Coops and fenced enclosures/runs shall be cleaned on a regular basis and remain free from undue accumulated waste, such as to cause odors reasonably detectable on adjacent properties.
- ix. All feed, except when placed for consumption by chickens/fowl, shall be kept in containers with tightly fitted lids that are rodent-proof.
- x. The number of chickens/fowls shall be allowed on the following minimum lot sizes:
 - 10,000 square feet to 2 acres = 6 chickens
 - 2.01 acres to 5 acres = 8
 - 5.01 acres to 9.99 acres = 10
- xx. PLEASE NOTE: Tazewell County requires an additional Building Permit for ANY structure over 25 sq. ft. This would include a chicken coop.

ARTICLE 33

FEE SCHEDULE

7 TCC 1-33 (a) Fees Charged for Building Permits. The following fees shall be charged for the processing of applications and the issuance of zoning permits, and shall be collected by the Community Development Administrator, who shall be accountable to the County for such fees:

(7)	Special Use Chickens/Fowl	\$300.00
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